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BEFORE THE OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO

IN THE MATTER OF THE HEARING CALLED BY THE OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION OF NEW MEXICO FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONSIDERING:

> CASE NO. 4524 Order No. R-4144

APPLICATION OF TEXACO INC. FOR REINSTATEMENT OF CANCELLED UNDER-PRODUCTION, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

BY THE COMMISSION:

This cause came on for hearing at 9 a.m. on April 28, 1971, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner Elvis A. Utz.

NOW, on this <u>13th</u> day of May, 1971, the Commission, a quorum being present, having considered the testimony, the record, and the recommendations of the Examiner, and being fully advised in the premises,

FINDS:

(1) That due public notice having been given as required by law, the Commission has jurisdiction of this cause and the subject matter thereof.

(2) That the applicant, Texaco Inc., is the operator of the E. E. Blinebry "A" Federal (NCT-1) Well No. 2 located in Unit I, Section 31, Township 23 South, Range 37 East, NMPM, Jalmat Gas Pool, Lea County, New Mexico.

(3) That during the gas proration period ending December 31, 1970, the E. E. Blinebry "A" Federal (NCT-1) Well No. 2, a nonmarginal well, failed to produce accrued underproduction amounting to 31,614 MCF of gas which was consequently cancelled January 1, 1971.

(4) That the applicant seeks, as an exception to Rule 14 (A) of the General Rules and Regulations for the prorated gas pools of Southeastern New Mexico, the reinstatement of the abovedescribed unproduced allowable that was cancelled. -2-CASE NO. 4524 Order No. R-4144

(5) That 23,500 MCF of the said cancelled underproduction would have been produced by the subject well prior to December 1, 1970, but for certain inadvertent delay upon the part of the Commission.

(6) That in order to afford the applicant the opportunity to recover its just and equitable share of the gas in the subject pool, the applicant should be authorized to produce during the make-up period from January 1, 1971 to June 30, 1971, 23,500 MCF of the underproduction accrued to the subject well and cancelled January 1, 1971, in addition to the allowable regularly assigned to the well.

(7) That approval as set forth in Finding (6) above will neither cause waste nor violate the correlative rights of other operators in the pool.

BE IT THEREFORE ORDERED:

(1) That during the make-up period from January 1, 1971, to June 30, 1971, the applicant, Texaco Inc., is hereby authorized to produce 23,500 MCF of gas from its E. E. Blinebry "A" Federal (NCT-1) Well No. 2 located in Unit I, Section 31, Township 23 South, Range 37 East, NMPM, Jalmat Gas Pool, Lea County, New Mexico, in addition to the regularly assigned allowable for the well.

(2) That the Secretary-Director of the Commission, upon proper application, may approve an extension of time during which the said 23,500 MCF of gas may be produced.

(3) That to obtain administrative approval for an extension of time in which to make up cancelled underproduction, the operator shall submit in triplicate a request for such authority, stating the amount of underproduction produced to date and describing the conditions preventing complete make up of underproduction by June 30, 1971.

(4) That jurisdiction of this cause is retained for the entry of such further orders as the Commission may deem necessary.

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DONE at Santa Fe, New Mexico, on the day and year hereinabove designated.

> STATE OF NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

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