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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. 4884 Order No. R-4227-B

APPLICATION OF COLORADO PLATEAU GEOLOGICAL SERVICES, INC., FOR AN EXTENSION OF ORDER NO. R-4227, MCKINLEY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

BY THE COMMISSION:

This cause came on for hearing at 9 a.m. on December 19, 1972, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner Elvis A. Utz.

NOW, on this <u>5th</u> day of January, 1973, 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 Commission Order No. R-4227, as corrected by Order No. R-4227-A, required Henry S. Birdseye, as owner and operator of certain wells in the Chaco Wash-Mesaverde Oil Pool, McKinley County, New Mexico, to take certain action concerning various wells in said pool by December 31, 1972, or to plug and abandon said wells by that date.

(3) That some of the provisions of Commission Order No. R-4227 have been complied with.

(4) That subsequent to Mr. Birdseye's death in June, 1972, Colorado Plateau Geological Services, Inc., was appointed by the Birdseye Estate to manage the Estate's oil and gas affairs.

(5) That said Colorado Plateau Geological Services, Inc., seeks an order extending for one year the time in which to comply with all of the provisions of Order No. R-4227.

(6) That an extension of one year in which to comply with said order appears to be an excessive period of time.

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(7) That under the circumstances, a six-month extension for compliance with all of the provisions of the subject order is not unreasonable and should be approved.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

(1) That the date for compliance with all provisions of Commission Order No. R-4227 is hereby extended to June 30, 1973.

(2) That upon a showing to the Secretary-Director of the Commission that good faith effort is being made to comply with all provisions of said Order No. R-4227, but that additional time is necessary for full compliance, the Secretary-Director of the Commission may grant an additional 90 days during which all actions required by said Order No. R-4227 must be performed or the wells plugged and abandoned.

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

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

STATE OF NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION 22 Chairman BRUCE KING, alis U ÁRMIJO, Member ALEX J. えんべ _. (. L. PORTER, Jr., Member & Secretary

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