

BEFORE THE OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION  
OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO

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

CASE NO. 646  
Order No. R-438

THE APPLICATION OF AMERADA PETROLEUM  
CORPORATION FOR AN ORDER GRANTING  
APPROVAL OF AN EXCEPTION PURSUANT TO  
RULE 7 (a) OF ORDER NO. R-370-A IN ESTABLISH-  
MENT OF AN UNORTHODOX GAS PRORATION UNIT  
OF 160 CONTIGUOUS ACRES CONSISTING OF WEST  
HALF WEST HALF OF SECTION 12, TOWNSHIP 20  
SOUTH, RANGE 36 EAST, NMPM, LEA COUNTY,  
NEW MEXICO, IN THE EUMONT GAS POOL.

ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

BY THE COMMISSION:

This cause came on for hearing at 9 o'clock a. m., on January 20, 1954 at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before the Oil Conservation Commission, hereinafter referred to as the "Commission".

NOW, on this 16th day of April, 1954, the Commission, a quorum being present, having considered the records and testimony adduced, and being fully advised in the premises;

FINDS:

(1) That due notice of the time and place of hearing and the purpose thereof having been given as required by law, the Commission has jurisdiction of this case and the subject matter thereof.

(2) That pursuant to provisions of Rule 7 (a) of Order No. R-370-A, the Commission has power and authority to permit the formation of a gas proration unit consisting of other than a legal quarter section after notice and hearing by the Commission.

(3) That applicant, Amerada Petroleum Corporation, is the owner of an oil and gas lease in Lea County, New Mexico, the land consisting of other than a legal quarter section, and described as follows, to-wit:

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containing 160 acres, more or less.

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(4) That applicant, Amerada Petroleum Corporation, has a producing well on the aforesaid lease known as Andrews, No. 1, located 660 feet from the north line and 660 feet from the west line of Section 12, Township 20 South, Range 36 East, NMPM.

(5) That the aforesaid well was completed and in production prior to January 1, 1954, the effective date of Order No. R-370-A, and is located within the limits of the pool heretofore delineated and designated as the Eumont Gas Pool.

(6) That it is impractical to pool applicant's said lease with adjoining acreage in the west half of Section 12, Township 20 South, Range 36 East and that there is no objection to the formation of the proposed proration unit of 160 acres.

(7) That unless a proration unit consisting of applicant's aforesaid acreage is permitted, applicant will be deprived of the opportunity to recover its just and equitable share of the natural gas in the Eumont Gas Pool.

(8) That creation of a proration unit consisting of the aforesaid acreage will not cause but will prevent waste, will protect correlative rights, and is necessary to prevent confiscation of applicant's property.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

(1) That the application of Amerada Petroleum Corporation for approval of an unorthodox proration unit consisting of the following described acreage

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be and the same is hereby approved, and a proration unit consisting of aforesaid acreage is hereby created.

(2) That applicant's well, Andrews No. 1, located in the NW/4 NW/4 of Section 12, Township 20 South, Range 36 East, NMPM, shall be granted an allowable from January 1, 1954, in the proportion that the above described 160 acre unit bears to the standard or orthodox proration unit for said pool, all until further order of the Commission.

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

STATE OF NEW MEXICO  
OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

EDWIN L. MECHEM, Chairman  
E. S. WALKER, Member  
R. R. SPURRIER, Secretary and Member

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