

*Continued November 20, 1973*

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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. 5106  
Order No. R-4678

APPLICATION OF READ & STEVENS, INC.  
FOR AN UNORTHODOX GAS WELL LOCATION,  
CHAVES COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

BY THE COMMISSION:

This cause came on for hearing at 9 a.m. on November 14, 1973, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner Richard L. Stamets.

NOW, on this 20th day of November, 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 the applicant, Read & Stevens, Inc., seeks approval for an unorthodox gas well location for its Harris Federal Well No. 2 at a point 990 feet from the North line and 2310 feet from the West line of Section 24, Township 15 South, Range 27 East, NMPM, Buffalo Valley-Pennsylvanian Gas Pool, Chaves County, New Mexico, as an exception to Rule 2 of Order No. R-1670-H.
- (3) That the N/2 of said Section 24 is to be dedicated to the well.
- (4) That the applicant is the operator of all offsetting acreage which would be affected by the proposed unorthodox location.
- (5) That no offset operator has objected to the proposed unorthodox location.
- (6) That a well drilled in the proposed unorthodox location should encounter a thicker, more porous sand section than would a well drilled in a standard location.

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(7) That approval of the proposed unorthodox location should better enable the applicant to recover his just and equitable share of the gas in the Buffalo Valley-Pennsylvanian Gas Pool and will otherwise prevent waste and protect correlative rights.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

(1) The applicant, Read & Stevens, Inc., is hereby granted an unorthodox gas well location for its Harris Federal Well No. 2, located 990 feet from the North line and 2310 feet from the West line of Section 24, Township 15 South, Range 27 East, NMPM, Buffalo Valley-Pennsylvanian Gas Pool, Chaves County, New Mexico.

(2) That the N/2 of said Section 24 shall be dedicated to the well.

(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

  
I. R. TRUJILLO, Chairman

ALEX J. ARMIJO, Member

  
A. L. PORTER, Jr., Member & Secretary

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