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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. 5262 Order No. R-4822

APPLICATION OF PETRO-LEWIS CORPORATION FOR POOL CONTRACTION, CREATION, AND SPECIAL POOL RULES, SANDOVAL COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

BY THE COMMISSION:

This cause came on for hearing at 9 a.m. on June 19, 1974, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner Richard L. Stamets.

NOW, on this 16th day of July, 1974, 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, Petro-Lewis Corporation, seeks an order contracting the horizontal limits of the Media-Entrada Oil Pool as presently defined and described by the deletion of the NW/4 of Section 22, Township 19 North, Range 3 West, NMPM, Sandoval County, New Mexico, and the creation of a new pool for Entrada production comprising all of said quarter section.

(3) Applicant further seeks the promulgation of special pool rules for the new pool thus created, including a provision for 160-acre proration units and the establishment of a special depth bracket allowable for said pool of up to 750 barrels per day.

(4) That the applicant has advanced as the reasons for the proposed pool contraction, creation, and special pool rules the following:

a. That the Entrada formation underlying the portion of the Media-Entrada Oil Pool sought to be deleted, and the Entrada formation underlying the portion of the Media-Entrada Oil Pool which would remain, constitute sources of supply separate from one another. -2-Case No. 5262 Order No. R-4822

- b. That without such pool contraction, creation, and special pool rules, the institution of a pressure maintenance project in the Media-Entrada Oil Pool would be delayed.
- c. That without such pool contraction, creation, and special pool rules, institution of water disposal operations in the Media-Entrada Oil Pool would be delayed.

(5) That the evidence establishes that the Entrada formation underlying the portion of the Media-Entrada Oil Pool sought to be deleted is in communication with the Entrada formation underlying the remainder of that oil pool as presently defined.

(6) That the applicant has failed to establish that failure to order the requested contraction, creation, and special pool rules will in fact delay the institution of pressure maintenance and water disposal operations in the Media-Entrada Oil Pool as presently defined.

(7) That approval of the application would not prevent waste nor protect correlative rights in the Media-Entrada Oil Pool as that pool is presently defined.

(8) That the application for pool contraction, pool creation and special pool rules should be <u>denied</u>.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

(1) That the application of Petro-Lewis Corporation for pool contraction, creation, and special pool rules as set forth in Findings (2) and (3) of this order is hereby <u>denied</u>.

(2) 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

R. TRUJILLO, Chairman

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