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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. 5599 Order No. R-5142-A

IN THE MATTER OF CASE 5599 BEING REOPENED PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF ORDER NO. R-5142, WHICH ORDER ESTABLISHED SPECIAL RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR THE TWIN LAKES-DEVONIAN POOL, CHAVES COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, INCLUDING A PROVISION FOR 80-ACRE PRORATION UNITS.

## ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

## BY THE COMMISSION:

This cause came on for hearing at 9 a.m. on January 19, 1977, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner Richard L. Stamets.

NOW, on this <u>15th</u> day of February, 1977, 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 by Order No. R-5142, dated January 6, 1976, temporary special rules and regulations were promulgated for the Twin Lakes-Devonian Pool, Chaves County, New Mexico, establishing temporary 80-acre spacing units and a limiting gas-oil ratio of 4,000 cubic feet of gas for each barrel of oil produced.

(3) That pursuant to the provisions of Order No. R-5142, this case was reopened to allow the operators in the subject pool to appear and show cause why the Twin Lakes-Devonian Pool should not be developed on 40-acre spacing units and why the limiting gas-oil ratio should not revert to 2,000 to one.

(4) That the evidence establishes that one well in the Twin Lakes-Devonian Pool can efficiently and economically drain and develop 80 acres.

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(5) That the limiting gas-oil ratio for the Twin Lakes-Devonian Pool should revert to 2,000 to 1.

(6) That all other Special Rules and Regulations promulgated by Order No. R-5142 have afforded and will afford to the owner of each property in the pool the opportunity to produce his just and equitable share of the gas in the pool.

(7) That in order to prevent the economic loss caused by the drilling of unnecessary wells, to avoid the augmentation of risk arising from the drilling of an excessive number of wells, to prevent reduced recovery which might result from the drilling of too few wells, and to otherwise prevent waste and protect correlative rights, the Special Rules and Regulations promulgated by Order No. R-5142, except as noted in Finding No. (5) above, should be continued in full force and effect until further order of the Commission.

## IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

(1) That Rule 7 of the Special Rules and Regulations governing the Twin Lakes-Devonian Pool is hereby amended to read in its entirety as follows:

"RULE 7. The limiting gas-oil ratio shall be 2,000 cubic feet of gas for each barrel of oil produced."

(2) That the Special Rules and Regulations governing the Twin Lakes-Devonian Pool, Chaves County, New Mexico, promulgated by Order No. R-5142 as amended by this order, are hereby continued in full force and effect until further order of the Commission.

(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

PHEL R. LUCERO, Chairman 100 δĿD, Member Member & Secretary

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