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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. 5989
Order No. R-5502

APPLICATION OF CONTINENTAL OIL
COMPANY FOR AN UNORTHODOX OIL WELL
LOCATION, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

BY THE COMMISSION:

This cause came on for hearing at 9 a.m. on July 20, 1977, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner Richard L. Stamets.

NOW, on this 9th day of August, 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 the applicant, Continental Oil Company, seeks approval of the unorthodox location of its Marshall Well No. 8 to be located 2600 feet from the South line and 1230 feet from the West line of Section 19, Township 23 South, Range 33 East, NMPM, to test the Delaware formation, Cruz-Delaware Pool, Lea County, New Mexico.

(3) That Lot 3 of said Section 19 is to be dedicated to the well.

(4) That a well at said unorthodox location will better enable applicant to produce the oil underlying the proration unit.

(5) That no offset operator objected to the proposed unorthodox location.

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(6) That approval of the subject application will afford the applicant the opportunity to produce its just and equitable share of the oil in the subject pool, will prevent the economic loss caused by the drilling of unnecessary wells, avoid the augmentation of risk arising from the drilling of an excessive number of wells, and will otherwise prevent waste and protect correlative rights.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

(1) That an unorthodox location for the Delaware formation is hereby approved for the Continental Oil Company Marshall Well No. 8 to be drilled at a point 2600 feet from the South line and 1230 feet from the West line of Section 19, Township 23 South, Range 33 East, NMPM, Cruz-Delaware Pool, Lea County, New Mexico.

(2) That Lot 3 of said Section 19 shall be dedicated to the above-described well.

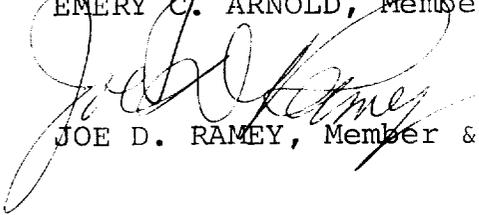
(3) That jurisdiction of this cause is retained for the entry of such further orders as the Commission may deem necessary.

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

STATE OF NEW MEXICO
OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

PHIL R. LUCERO, Chairman


EMERY C. ARNOLD, Member


JOE D. RAMEY, Member & Secretary

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