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STATE OF NEW MEXICO ENERGY AND MINERALS DEPARTMENT OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

IN THE MATTER OF THE HEARING CALLED BY THE OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONSIDERING:

> CASE NO. 6287 Order No. R-5784

APPLICATION OF JACK A. COLE FOR AN UNORTHODOX GAS WELL LOCATION, SANDOVAL COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

ORDER OF THE DIVISION

BY THE DIVISION:

This cause came on for hearing at 9 a.m. on August 16, 1978, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner Richard L. Stamets.

NOW, on this <u>25th</u> day of August, 1978, the Division Director, 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 Division has jurisdiction of this cause and the subject matter thereof.

(2) That the applicant, Jack A. Cole, seeks approval of an unorthodox gas well location for his Apache Flats Well No. 11 drilled at a point 1712 feet from the South line and 1223 feet from the East line of Section 28, Township 23 North, Range 4 West, NMPM, Ballard-Pictured Cliffs Pool, Sandoval County, New Mexico.

(3) That the SE/4 of said Section 28 is to be dedicated to the well.

(4) That said unorthodox location resulted from a surveying error.

(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 his just and equitable share of the gas 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 gas well location for the Pictured Cliffs formation is hereby approved for the Jack A. Cole Apache Flats Well No. 11 drilled at a point 1712 feet from the South line and 1223 feet from the East line of Section 28, Township 23 North, Range 4 West, NMPM, Ballard-Pictured Cliffs Pool, Sandoval County, New Mexico.

(2) That the SE/4 of said Section 28 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 Division may deem necessary.

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

STATE OF NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION Any JOÈ D. RAMEY, Director

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