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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. 6439 Order No. R-5923

APPLICATION OF CAULKINS OIL COMPANY FOR DOWNHOLE COMMINGLING, RIO ARRIBA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

ORDER OF THE DIVISION

BY THE DIVISION:

This cause came on for hearing at 9 a.m. on January 31, 1979, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner Richard L. Stamets.

NOW, on this 20th day of February, 1979, 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, Caulkins Oil Company, is the owner and operator of the Breech A Well No. 229, located in Unit D of Section 17, Township 26 North, Range 6 West, NMPM, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico.
- (3) That the applicant seeks authority to commingle Mesaverde and Dakota production within the wellbore of the above-described well.
- (4) That from the Mesaverde zone, the subject well is capable of low marginal production only.
- (5) That from the Dakota zone, the subject well is capable of low marginal production only.
- (6) That the proposed commingling may result in the recovery of additional hydrocarbons from each of the subject pools, thereby preventing waste, and will not violate correlative rights.

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- (7) That the reservoir characteristics of each of the subject zones are such that underground waste would not be caused by the proposed commingling provided that the well is not shut-in for an extended period.
- (8) That to afford the Division the opportunity to assess the potential for waste and to expeditiously order appropriate remedial action, the operator should notify the Aztec district office of the Division any time the subject well is shut-in for 7 consecutive days.
- (9) That in order to allocate the commingled production to each of the commingled zones in the subject well, ll percent and 16 percent of the commingled gas and condensate production, respectively, should be allocated to the Mesaverde zone, and 89 percent and 84 percent of the commingled gas and condensate production, respectively, to the Dakota zone.
- (10) That the dual completion provisions of Division Order No. R-2939 should be superseded.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

- (1) That the applicant, Caulkins Oil Company, is hereby authorized to commingle Mesaverde and Dakota production within the wellbore of the Breech A Well No. 229, located in Unit D of Section 17, Township 26 North, Range 6 West, NMPM, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico.
- (2) That 11 percent and 16 percent of the commingled gas and condensate production, respectively, shall be allocated to the Mesaverde zone and 89 percent and 84 percent of the commingled gas and condensate production, respectively, shall be allocated to the Dakota zone.
- (3) That the operator of the subject well shall immediately notify the Division's Aztec district office any time the well has been shut-in for 7 consecutive days and shall concurrently present, to the Division, a plan for remedial action.
- (4) That the dual completion provisions of Division Order No. R-2939 are hereby superseded.
- (5) That jurisdiction of this cause is retained for the entry of such further orders as the Division may deem necessary.

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 ${\tt DONE}$ at Santa Fe, New Mexico, on the day and year hereinabove designated.

STATE OF NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION

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