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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. 7439 Order No. R-6776-A

APPLICATION OF BASS ENTERPRISES PRODUCTION COMPANY FOR AN AMENDMENT OF DIVISION ORDER NO. R-6776, EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

ORDER OF THE DIVISION

BY THE DIVISION:

This cause came on for hearing at 9 a.m. on December 16, 1981, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner Richard L. Stamets.

NOW, on this <u>29th</u> day of December, 1981, 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, Bass Enterprises Production Company, seeks the amendment of Division Order No. R-6776 which authorized the directional drilling of its James Ranch Well No. 13 in Section 36, Township 22 South, Range 30 East, to provide for an amended surface location 1440 feet from the North line and 860 feet from the West line of Section 6, Township 23 South, Range 31 East, NMPM, Eddy County, New Mexico.

(3) That the proposed amendment will permit the well to encounter the formations to be penetrated at the most advantageous locations geologically and would reduce well costs.

(4) That no offset operator objected to the proposed amendment to Order No. R-6776.

(5) That the application should be approved.



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IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

(1) That the first paragraph of Order (1) of Division Order No. R-6776 is hereby amended to read in its entirety as follows:

"(1) That the applicant, Bass Enterprises Production Company, is hereby authorized to directionally drill its James Ranch Well No. 13 from a surface location 1440 feet from the North line and 860 feet from the West line of Section 6, Township 23 South, Range 31 East, NMPM, in such a manner as to penetrate and produce any of the various pays in the Pennsylvanian formation at various distances from the outer boundary of the proposed proration unit, being the S/2 of Section 31, Township 22 South, Range 31 East, but in no event closer than an unorthodox location 660 feet from the outer boundary of said unit."

(2) 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 In JOE D. RAMEY . Director

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