

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. 8555
Order No. R-7918

APPLICATION OF HARBEN-DAVID, a
Partnership, FOR AN UNORTHODOX OIL
WELL LOCATION, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

ORDER OF THE DIVISION

BY THE DIVISION:

This cause came on for hearing at 8 a.m. on April 10, 1985, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner Gilbert P. Quintana.

NOW, on this 13th day of May, 1985, the Division Director, having considered the testimony, the record, and the recommendations of the Examiner, and being fully advised in the premises,

FINDS THAT:

- (1) Due public notice having been given as required by law, the Division has jurisdiction of this cause and the subject matter thereof.
- (2) The applicant, Harben-Davis, seeks approval of an unorthodox oil well location 990 feet from the South line and 145 feet from the West line of Section 22, Township 16 South, Range 38 East, NMPM, to test the Abo formation, Lea County, New Mexico.
- (3) The SW/4 SW/4 of said Section 22 is to be dedicated to the well.
- (4) A well at said unorthodox location is necessary because a pivoting irrigation system is a surface obstruction to the positioning of the well at an orthodox location.
- (5) No offset operator objected to the proposed unorthodox location.
- (6) Approval of the subject application will afford the applicant the opportunity to produce its just and equitable

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share of the oil in the affected 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:

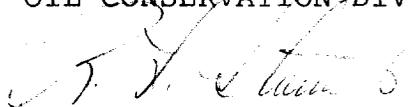
(1) An unorthodox oil well location for the Abo formation is hereby approved for a well to be located at a point 990 feet from the South line and 145 feet from the West line of Section 22, Township 16 South, Range 38 East, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico.

(2) The SW/4 SW/4 of said Section 22 shall be dedicated to the above-described well.

(3) 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.

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R. L. STAMETS,
Director

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