# BEFORE THE OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION
OF EARL A. BENSON AND WILLIAM V.
MONTIN FOR THE APPROVAL OF GALLEGOS
CANYON UNIT AGREEMENT EMBRACING
39,324.51 ACRES OF LAND IN TOWNSHIP 28
NORTH, RANGES 11, 12 AND 13 WEST AND TOWNSHIP 29 NORTH, RANGES 12 AND 13 WEST, NMPM,
SAN JUAN COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

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### ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

## BY THE COMMISSION:

This cause coming on for hearing at ten o'clock a.m., on the 24th day of April, 1951, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before the Oil Conservation Commission of New Mexico, hereinafter referred to as the "Commission", upon the application of Earl A. Benson and William V. Montin for approval of the Gallegos Canyon Unit Agreement, embracing lands situated in San Juan County, New Mexico, and the Commission having considered said application and the evidence introduced in support thereof and being fully advised in the premises,

#### FINDS:

That the proposed unit plan will in principle tend to promote the conservation of oil and gas and the prevention of waste;

IT IS, THEREFORE ORDERED BY THE COMMISSION AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. That this order be known as the

# GALLEGOS CANYON UNIT AGREEMENT ORDER

- Section 2. (a) That the project herein referred to shall be known as the Gallegos Canyon Unit Agreement, and shall hereafter be referred to as the "Project."
- (b) That the plan by which the Project shall be operated shall be embraced in the form of a unit agreement for the development and operation of the Gallegos Canyon Unit Agreement Area referred to in the Petitioners' petition and filed with said petition, and such plan shall be known as the Gallegos Canyon Unit Agreement Plan.
- Section 3. That the Gallegos Canyon Unit Agreement Plan is hereby approved as a proper conservation measure; provided, however, that notwithstanding any of the provisions contained in said unit agreement, this approval shall not be considered as waiving or relinquishing in any manner any rights, duties or obligations which are now, or may hereafter, be vested in the New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission by law relative to the supervision and control of operations for exploration and development of any lands committed to said Gallegos Canyon Unit Agreement,

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or relative to the production of oil or gas therefrom.

Section 4. (a) That the Unit Area shall be the following described lands, all located in San Juan County, New Mexico, to wit:

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Township 28 North, Range 11 West

Sec. 7 - All

Sec. 18 - All

Sec. 19 - All

Township 28 North, Range 12 West Secs. 7 to 34, incl.

Township 28 North, Range 13 West

Secs. 11 to 14, incl.

Secs. 23 to 26, incl.

Secs. 35 and 36

Township 29 North, Range 12 West

Sec. 16 - SW/4

Secs. 17 to 21, incl.

Sec. 22 - W/2, SE/4

Sec. 25 - W/2, SE/4

Secs. 26 to 36, incl.

Township 29 North, Range 13 We

Sec. 13 - All

Sec. 23 to 26, incl.

Secs. 34 to 36, incl.

Said area embraces a total of 39,324.51 acres of land.

- (b) The Unit Area may be enlarged or contracted as provided in said plan.
- Section 5. That the Unit Operator shall file with the Commissioner of Public Lands an executed original or executed counterpart of the Gallegos Canyon Unit Agreement within thirty days after the effective date thereof.
- Section 6. That any party owning rights in the unitized substances who does not commit such rights to said Unit Agreement before the effective date thereof may thereafter become a party thereto by subscribing to such agreement or counterpart thereof. The unit operator shall file with the Commission within thirty days an original of such counterpart.

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Section 7. That this order shall become effective on the first day of the calendar month next following the approval of the Commissioner of Public Lands of the State of New Mexico and the Director of the United States Geological Survey, and shall terminate ipso facto on the termination of said Unit Agreement. The last unit operator shall immediately notify the Commission in writing of such termination.

DONE at Santa Fe, New Mexico, this 24th day of April, 1951.

STATE OF NEW MEXICO
OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

GUY SHEPARD, Member

R. R. SPURRIER, Secretary

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