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	ADMINISTRATIVE APPLICATION CHECKLIST
	THIS CHECKLIST IS MANDATORY FOR ALL ADMINISTRATIVE APPLICATIONS FOR EXCEPTIONS TO DIVISION RULES AND REGULATIONS WHICH REQUIRE PROCESSING AT THE DIVISION LEVEL IN SANTA FE
Appi	lication Acronyms: [NSL-Non-Standard Location] [NSP-Non-Standard Proration Unit] [SD-Simultaneous Dedication] [DHC-Downhole Commingling] [CTB-Lease Commingling] [PLC-Pool/Lease Commingling] [PC-Pool Commingling] [OLS - Off-Lease Storage] [OLM-Off-Lease Measurement] [WFX-Waterflood Expansion] [PMX-Pressure Maintenance Expansion] [SWD-Salt Water Disposal] [IPI-Injection Pressure Increase]
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	[B] Offset Operators, Leaseholders or Surface Owner
	[C] Application is One Which Requires Published Legal Notice
	[D] Notification and/or Concurrent Approval by BLM or SLO U.S. Bureau of Land Management - Commissioner of Public Lands, State Land Office
	[E] For all of the above, Proof of Notification or Publication is Attached, and/or,
	[F] Waivers are Attached
[3]	SUBMIT ACCURATE AND COMPLETE INFORMATION REQUIRED TO PROCESS THE TYPE OF APPLICATION INDICATED ABOVE.

[4] **CERTIFICATION:** I hereby certify that the information submitted with this application for administrative approval is **accurate** and **complete** to the best of my knowledge. I also understand that **no action** will be taken on this application until the required information and notifications are submitted to the Division.

Note: Statement must be completed by an individual with managerial and/or supervisory capacity.

9. ULLOCK đ Date Signature Title Print or Type Name

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MARTIN YATES, III 1912 - 1985 FRANK W. YATES 1936 - 1986



S. P. VATES CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD JOHN A. YATES OL ON CONTRACTOR EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT RANDY G. PATTERSON OL SEP 24 SECRETAR 39 DENNIS G. KINSEY TREASURER

105 SOUTH FOURTH STREET ARTESIA, NEW MEXICO 88210-2118 TELEPHONE (505) 748-1471

September 20, 2001

Mr. Michael Stogner New Mexico Oil Conservation Division 1220 South St. Francis Drive Santa Fe, NM 87508

<u>CERTIFIED MAIL</u> Return Receipt Requested

RE: Application for Unorthodox Location Runnels ASP #5 Shoe Bar Strawn, North Pool <u>Township 16 South, Range 35 East</u> Section 11: 750' FSL & 1100' FEL Lea County, New Mexico

Dear Mr. Stogner:

Yates Petroleum Corporation respectfully requests administrative approval for an unorthodox Strawn oil well, the Runnels ASP #5. The proposed well is located on fee minerals at a location 750' FSL and 1100' FEL of Section 11, <u>Township 16 South, Range 35 East</u>, Lea County, New Mexico.

The pool rules for the North Shoe Bar-Strawn state that a well is to be located within 150' of center of any quarter-quarter section and our location is therefore unorthodox.

Our geology department feels like this non-standard is required in order to penetrate the objective reservoir at the most favorable location. Please find enclosed our geological isopach map with explanation attached justifying this location.

Yates Petroleum Corporation is the operator of all wells drilled in Section 11. Notification has not been provided as it is not an issue in this situation.

Enclosed are Forms C-101, C-102, land plat, administrative application checklist and geological justification. Yates requests that this unorthodox location be administratively approved if all requirements have been met.

Please call me at (505) 748-4351 if you need any additional information.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

YATES PETROLEUM CORPORATION

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#### OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION P.O. Box 2088 Santa Fe, New Mexico 87504-2088

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#### AMENDED REPORT

## WELL LOCATION AND ACREAGE DEDICATION PLAT

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		Shoe Bar Strawn, Nort	n
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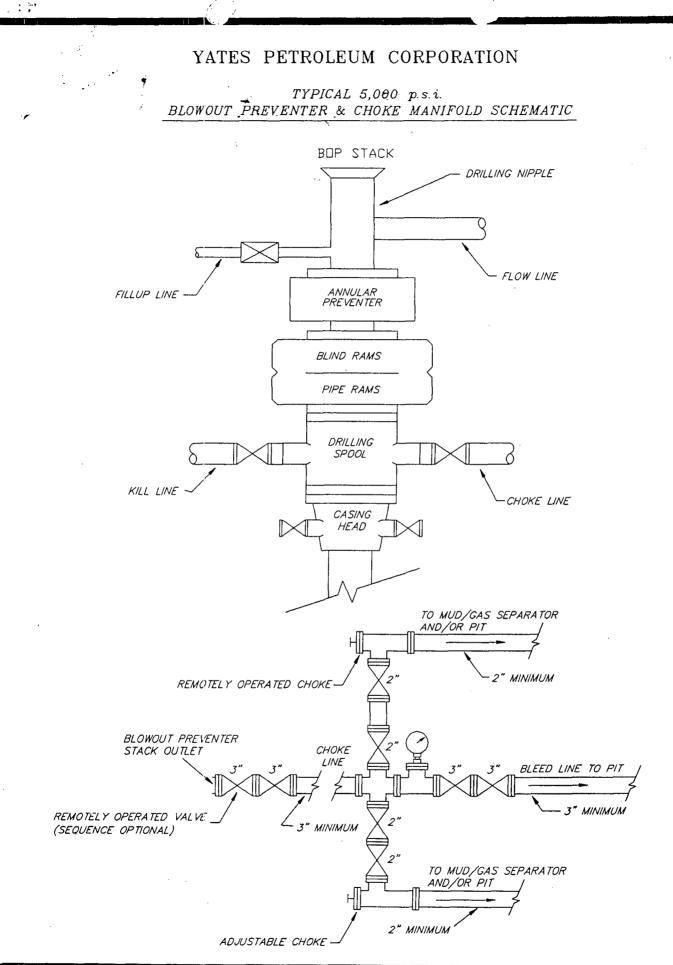
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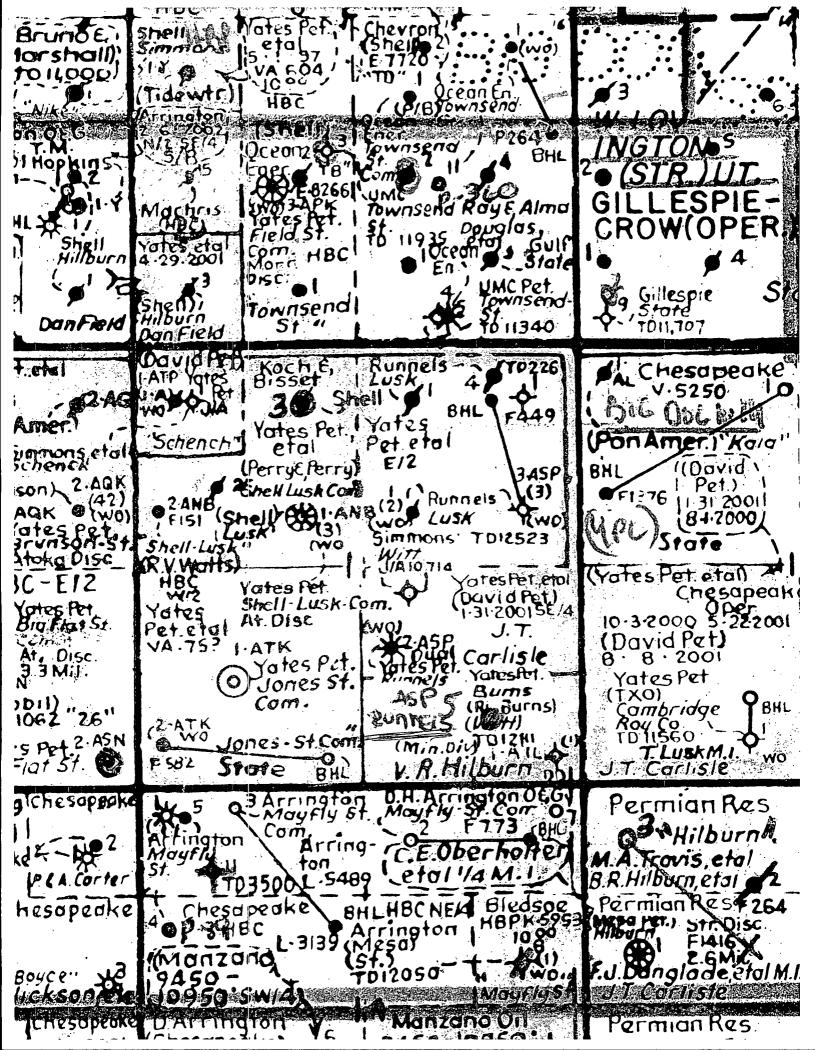
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]		OPERATOR CERTIFICATION
		I hereby certify the the information contained herein is true and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief.
		Clifta R. May
· · ·		Signature Clifton R. May Printed Name
		Regulatory Agent
		<u>9-13-01</u> Data
		SURVEYOR CERTIFICATION
		I haveby cartify that the well location shown on this plat was plotted from field noise of actual surveys made by me or under my supervises, and that the same is true and correct to the best of my belief.
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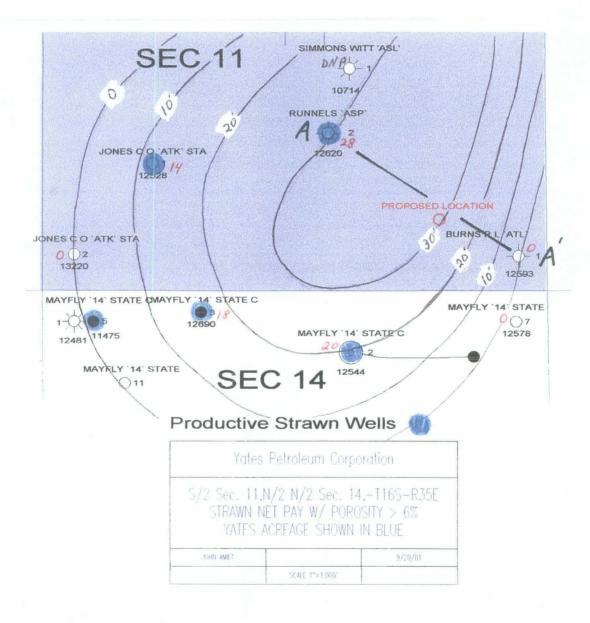




## Runnels ASP #5 Unorthodox Location Description and Geologic Justification

Yates Petroleum Corporation is requesting a non-standard location to drill an 11,700' Strawn test located 1100' FEL and 750' FSL section 11 T16S R35E, Lea Co. New Mexico. The Strawn formation produces oil in this area from porous limestone reservoirs on the northeastern flank of a structural high.

The net pay isopach map shown below indicates that it would be prudent to move the location away from the Burns dry hole which has no pay and toward the Runnels ASP #2 well which has 28' of pay zone (See the attached cross section A-A'). The net pay map indicates that the Runnels #5 location should have 30' of net porosity > 6% and still be far enough away from the Runnels #2 to avoid interfering with this producing Strawn well. The proposed location should also protect the correlative rights from the offsetting competitor wells to the south.



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OIL CONSERVATION DIVIS<sup>101</sup> 2040 South Pacheco Street Santa Fe, New Mexico 8750<sup>11</sup> (505) 827-7131

December 11, 1998

Yates Petroleum Corporation 105 South 4th Street Artesia, New Mexico 88210 Telefax No. (505) 748-4585

Attention: Morris Keith

Administrative Order NSL-4177(MC)

Dear Mr. Keith:

Reference is made to the following: (i) your initial application for Yates Petroleum Corporation ("Yates") to the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division (Division") for multiple completion filed on Division Form C-107 and dated November 24, 1998; (ii) the Division's response to this application by letter from Mr. Michael E. Stogner, Engineer in the Division's Santa Fe office, dated November 30, 1998; (iii) Yates' application for a well location exception filed by Mr. Robert Bullock on December 8, 1998; (iv) your supplemental technical data submitted on December 9, 1998 to support Division Form C-107; (v) your various telephone conversations with and voice mail messages left for Mr. Stogner; and, (vi) the records of the Division in Santa Fe: all concerning Yates' request for:

- an unorthodox well location in both the Undesignated North Shoe Bar-Atoka Gas Pool and the Undesignated North Shoe Bar Strawn Pool for Yates' existing Runnels "ASP" Well No. 2 (API No. 30-025-34443), located 1650 feet from the South line and 2270 feet from the East line (Unit J) of Section 11, Township 16 South, Range 35 East, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico; and,
- (2) an exception to Division Rule 112-A.C for authorization to dually complete this well in such a manner as to permit the production of oil from the Strawn interval through a string of 2-7/8 inch tubing and the production of gas through the 5-1/2 inch casing/tubing annulus.

The SE/4 of Section 11, being a standard 160-acre oil spacing and proration unit in the Undesignated North Shoe Bar-Strawn Pool, and the E/2 of Section 11, being a standard 320-acre gas spacing and proration unit in the Undesignated North Shoe Bar-Atoka Gas Pool, are to be dedicated to this well.

Division Administrative Order NSL-4177(MC) Yates Petroleum Corporation December 11, 1998 Page 2

The Division records indicate that Yates commenced drilling this well on July 28, 1998 and on September 16, 1998 total depth of 12,620 feet was reached. In October, 1998 the Atoka was successfully completed as a gas well and production commenced on October 12, 1998.

This application has been duly filed under the provisions of Division Rules 104.F and 112-A.C and D. Review of this application indicates that its approval is in the best interest of conservation and will not cause waste nor impair correlative rights.

By the authority granted me under the provisions of RULE 5 of the "Special Rules and Regulations for the North Shoe Bar-Strawn Pool," as promulgated by Division Order No. R-4658, as amended, and Division Rule 104.F(2), the unorthodox location of Yates' Runnels "ASP" Well No. 2, as described above, in both the Undesignated North Shoe Bar-Strawn Pool and the Undesignated North Shoe Bar-Atoka Gas Pool, is hereby approved.

Furthermore, Yates is authorized to dually complete this well in the manner described above, provided however that: (i) the well is produced and operated in accordance with the provisions of Division Rule 112-A; and, (ii) a packer leakage test be preformed upon completion and annually thereafter.

Sincerely, Lori Wrotenbery

## Director

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cc: New Mexico Oil Conservation Division - Hobbs
Mr. Robert Bullock, Yates Petroleum Corporation - Artesia
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## BEFORE THE OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO

IN THE MATTER OF THE HEARING CALLED BY THE CIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION OF NEW MEXICO FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONSIDERING:

> CASE NO. 5082 Order No. R-4658

APPLICATION OF MESA PETROLEUM COMPANY FOR A DUAL COMPLETION, CREATION OF A NEW OIL POOL, ASSIGNMENT OF A DISCOVERY ALLOWABLE, AND SPECIAL POOL RULES, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

#### ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

#### BY THE COMMISSION:

This cause came on for hearing at 9 a.m. on October 17, 1973, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner Daniel S. Nutter.

NOW, on this <u>16th</u> day of November, 1973, the Commission, a quorum being present, 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 Commission has jurisdiction of this cause and the subject matter thereof.

(2) That the applicant, Mesa Petroleum Company is the owner and operator of the Hillburn Well No. 1, located in Unit E of Section 13, Township 16 South, Range 35 East, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico.

(3) That said well has discovered a new and separate common source of supply in the Strawn formation, and a new pool designated the North Shoe Bar-Strawn Pool should be created and defined by the Commission.

(4) That applicants well, said Hillburn Well No. 1, has made a bona fide discovery of a new common source of supply, and should be assigned an oil discovery allowable pursuant to the provisions of Rule 509 of the Commission Rules and Regulations.

(5) That the top of the perforations in the subject well is at 11,289 feet in the Strawn formation; and that 56,445 barrels of oil discovery allowable should be assigned to the subject well.

(6) That in order to prevent the economic loss caused by the drilling of unnecessary wells, to prevent reduced recovery which might result from the drilling of too few wells, and to otherwise

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prevent waste and protect correlative rights, temporary special rules and regulations providing for 160-acre spacing units should be promulgated for the North Shoe Bar-Strawn Pool.

(7) That the temporary special rules and regulations should provide for limited well locations in order to assure orderly development of the pool and protect correlative rights.

(8) That the temporary special rules and regulations should be established for a one-year period in order to allow the operators in the subject pool to gather reservoir information to establish the area that can be efficiently and economically drained and developed by one well.

(9) That the vertical limits of the North Shoe Bar-Strawn Pool should be the Strawn formation as found from 11,275 feet to 11,360 feet on the log of the discovery well, the aforesaid Hillburn Well No. 1; that the horizontal limits of said pool should be the NW/4 of Section 13, Township 16 South, Range 35, East, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico.

(10) That this case should be reopened at an examiner hearing in November, 1974, at which time the operators in the subject pool should be prepared to appear and show cause why the North Shoe Bar-Strawn Pool should not be developed on less than 160-acre spacing units.

(11) That applicant's request that the dual completion portion of its application be dismissed should be approved.

#### IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

(1) That the dual completion portion of the subject application is hereby dismissed.

(2) That a new pool for Strawn oil production be and the same is hereby created and designated the North Shoe Bar-Strawn with vertical limits defined as being the Strawn formation as found from 11,275 feet to 11,360 feet on the log of the discovery well, the Mesa Petroleum Company Hillburn Well No. 1, located in Unit E of Section 13, Township 16 South, Range 35 East, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico, and with horizontal limits defined as being the NW/4 of said Section 13.

(3) That the aforesaid Hillborn Well No. 1 is hereby assigned an oil discovery allowable in the amount of 56,445 barrels, to be produced at a rate not to exceed 78 barrels per day.

(4) That effective November 10, 1973, Special Rules and Regulations for the North Shoe Bar-Strawn Pool, Lea County, New Mexico, are hereby promulgated as follows: -3-CASE NO. 5082 Order No. R-4658

## SPECIAL RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR THE NORTH SHOE BAR-STRAWN POOL

<u>RULE 1.</u> Each well completed or recompleted in the North Shoe Bar-Strawn Pool or in the Strawn formation within one mile thereof, and not nearer to or within the limits of another designated Strawn oil pool, shall be spaced, drilled, operated, and produced in accordance with the Special Rules and Regulations hereinafter set forth.

<u>RULE 2</u>. Each well shall be located on a standard unit containing 160 acres, more or less, substantially in the form of a square, which is a quarter section being a legal subdivision of the United States Public Land Surveys.

<u>RULE 3.</u> The Secretary-Director of the Commission may grant an exception to the requirements of Rule 2 without notice and hearing when an application has been filed for a non-standard unit consisting of less than 160 acres or the unorthodox size or shape of the tract is due to a variation in the legal subdivision of the United States Public Land Surveys. All operators offsetting the proposed non-standard unit shall be notified of the application by registered or certified mail, and the application shall state that such notice has been furnished. The Secretary-Director may approve the application upon receipt of written waivers from all offset operators or if no offset operator has entered an objection to the formation of the non-standard unit within 30 days after the Secretary-Director has received the application.

RULE 4. Each well shall be located within 150 feet of the center of a governmental quarter-quarter section or lot.

<u>RULE 5.</u> The Secretary-Director may grant an exception to the requirements of Rule 4 without notice and hearing when an application has been filed for an unorthodox location necessitated by topographical conditions or the recompletion of a well previously drilled to another horizon. All operators offsetting the proposed location shall be notified of the application by registered or certified mail, and the application shall state that such notice has been furnished. The Secretary-Director may approve the application upon receipt of written waivers from all operators offsetting the proposed location or if no objection to the unorthodox location has been entered within 20 days after the Secretary-Director has received the application.

<u>RULE 6.</u> A standard proration unit (158 through 162 acres) shall be assigned a depth bracket allowable of 605 barrels, subject to the market demand percentage factor, and in the event there is more than one well on a 160-acre proration unit, the operator may produce the allowable assigned to the unit from the wells on the unit in any proportion.

The allowable assigned to a non-standard proration unit shall bear the same ratio to a standard allowable as the acreage in such non-standard unit bears to 160 acres. -4-CASE NO. 5082 Order No. R-4658

#### IT IS FURTHER ORDERED:

(1) That the locations of all wells presently drilling to or completed in the North Shoe Bar-Strawn Pool or in the Strawn formation within one mile thereof are hereby approved; that the operator of any well having an unorthodox location shall notify the Hobbs district office of the Commission in writing of the name and location of the well on or before November 30, 1973.

(2) That, pursuant to Paragraph A. of Section 65-3-14.5, NMSA 1953, contained in Chapter 271, Laws of 1969, existing wells in the North Shoe Bar-Strawn Pool shall have dedicated thereto 160 acres in accordance with the foregoing pool rules; or, pursuant to Para-graph C. of said Section 65-3-14.5, existing wells may have non-standard spacing or proration units established by the Commission and dedicated thereto.

Failure to file new Forms C-102 with the Commission dedicating 160 acres to a well or to obtain a non-standard unit approved by the Commission within 60 days from the date of this order shall subject the well to cancellation of allowable.

(3) That this case shall be reopened at an examiner hearing in November, 1974, at which time the operators in the subject pool may appear and show cause why the North Shoe Bar-Strawn Pool should not be developed on less than 160-acre spacing units.

(4) That jurisdiction of this cause is retained for the entry of such further orders as the Commission may deem necessary.

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

STATE OF NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

I. R. TRUJILLO, Chairman

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

IN THE MATTER OF THE HEARING CALLED BY THE OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION OF NEW MEXICO FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONSIDERING:

> CASE NO. 5130 Order No. R-4658-A

APPLICATION OF MESA PETROLEUM COMPANY FOR AN AMENDMENT TO THE TEMPORARY SPECIAL POOL RULES, NORTH SHOE BAR-STRAWN POOL, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

#### ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

#### BY THE COMMISSION:

This cause came on for hearing at 9 a.m. on February 13, 1974, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner Richard L. Stamets.

NOW, on this <u>21st</u> day of February, 1974, the Commission, a quorum being present, 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 Commission has jursidiction of this cause and the subject matter thereof.

(2) That the applicant, Mesa Petroleum Company, seeks the amendment of the temporary special pool rules, North Shoe Bar-Strawn Pool, Lea County, New Mexico, to provide for a limiting gas-oil ratio of 4,000 cubic feet of gas per barrel of oil produced

(3) That the applicant has completed two wells in the subject pool.

(4) That neither well has been produced, except for testing, pending the completion of casinghead gas gathering facilities to serve the wells.

(5) That the test information available indicates that wells completed in said pool will produce with gas-oil ratios in excess of 2000 to 1.

(6) That the evidence currently available indicates that wells in said pool may be produced without waste under a limiting gas oil ratio of 4000 to 1.

(7) That the applicant has made no determination of ultimate recovery of hydrocarbons from the subject pool to the economic limit at limiting gas-oil ratios of 2000 to 1 and 4000 to 1 or under conditions of gas reinjection or pressure maintenance.

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(8) That such estimates of recovery should be made and presented at an examiner hearing in November, 1974, at which time the operators in the North Shoe Bar-Strawn Pool are to appear and show cause why said pool should not be developed and produced in accordance with statewide oil well spacing and production rules.

(9) That applicant's request for an amendment to the temporary special pool rules for the North Shoe Bar-Strawn Pool to provide for a limiting gas-oil ratio of 4000 to 1 should be approved.

#### IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

(1) That the Order R-4658 is hereby amended by the addition of Rule No. 7 to the special pool rules of the North Shoe Bar-Strawn Pool as set out below:

## SPECIAL RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR THE NORTH SHOE BAR-STRAWN POOL

RULE 7. A limiting gas-oil ratio of 4000 cubic feet of gas per barrel of oil produced is hereby established for the pool.

#### IT IS FURTHER ORDERED:

(1) The applicant shall prepare estimates of recovery from the North Shoe Bar-Strawn Pool under the gas-oil ratios and conditions set out in Finding (7) of this order for presentation at the examiner hearing to be held in November, 1974, as required by Commission Order No. R-4658.

(2) That jurisdiction of this cause is retained for the entry of such further orders as the Commission may deem necessary.

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

STATE OF NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

I. R., TRUJILLO, Chairman

Member PORTER, JR., Member & Secretary

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

IN THE MATTER OF THE HEARING CALLED BY THE OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION OF NEW MEXICO FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONSIDERING:

### CASE NO. 5082 (Reopened) Order No. R-4658-B

IN THE MATTER OF CASE NO. 5082 BEING REOPENED PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF ORDER NO. R-4658, WHICH ORDER ESTABLISHED TEMPORARY SPECIAL RULES FOR THE NORTH SHOE BAR-STRAWN POOL, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, INCLUDING A PROVISION FOR 160-ACRE SPACING AND PRORATION UNITS.

#### ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

#### BY THE COMMISSION:

This cause came on for hearing at 9 a.m. on November 26, 1974, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner Daniel S. Nutter.

NOW, on this <u>3rd</u> day of December, 1974, the Commission, a quorum being present, 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 Commission has jurisdiction of this cause and the subject matter thereof.

(2) That by Order No. R-4658, dated November 16, 1973, temporary special rules and regulations were promulgated for the North Shoe Bar-Strawn Pool, Lea County, New Mexico, establishing temporary 160-acre spacing and proration units.

(3) That pursuant to the provisions of Orders Nos. R-4658 and R-4658-A this case was reopened to allow the operators in the subject pool to appear and show cause why the North Shoe Bar-Strawn Pool should not be developed on less than 160-acre spacing units and why the gas-oil ratio limitation should not be 2000 cubic feet of gas per barrel of oil produced.

(4) That the evidence establishes that one well in the North Shoe Bar-Strawn Pool can efficiently and economically drain and develop 160 acres.

(5) That the evidence establishes that the reservoir is being efficiently produced with a gas-oil ratio of 4000 cubic feet of gas per barrel.

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That the Special Rules and Regulations promulgated (6) by Order No. R-4658, as amended by Order No. R-4658-A, have afforded and will afford to the owner of each property in the pool the opportunity to produce his just and equitable share of the gas in the pool.

That in order to prevent the economic loss caused by (7) the drilling of unnecessary wells, to avoid the augmentation of risk arising from the drilling of an excessive number of wells, to prevent reduced recovery which might result from the drilling of too few wells, and to otherwise prevent waste and protect correlative rights, the Special Rules and Regulations promulgated by Order No. R-4658, as amended, should be continued in full force and effect until further order of the Commission.

#### IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

(1)That the Special Rules and Regulations governing the North Shoe Bar-Strawn Pool, Lea County, New Mexico, promulgated by Order No. R-4658, as amended by Order No. R-4658-A, are hereby continued in full force and effect until further order of the Commission.

(2) That jurisdiction of this cause is retained for the entry of such further orders as the Commission may deem necessary.

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

> STATE OF NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

I. Á. TRUJILLO, Chairman

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