STATE OF NEW MEXICO



ENERGY, MINERALS AND NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT

OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

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ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NO. WFX-671

APPLICATION OF TEXACO EXPLORATION & PRODUCTION, INC. TO EXPAND ITS WATERFLOOD PROJECT IN THE LANGLIE MATTIX AND JALMAT POOLS IN LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER OF THE OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

Under the provisions of Division Order Nos. R-4019 and R-4020, Texaco Exploration & Production, Inc. has made application to the Division on April 18, 1995 for permission to expand its Cooper Jal Unit Waterflood Project in the Langlie Mattix and Jalmat Pools in Lea County, New Mexico.

THE DIVISION DIRECTOR FINDS THAT:

- (1) The application has been filed in due form.
- (2) Satisfactory information has been provided that all offset operators have been duly notified of the application.
- (3) No objection has been received within the waiting period as prescribed by Rule 701(B).
- (4) The proposed injection wells are eligible for conversion to injection under the terms of Rule 701.
- (5) The proposed expansion of the above referenced waterflood project will not cause waste nor impair correlative rights.
 - (6) The application should be approved.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:

The applicant, Texaco Exploration & Production, Inc., be and the same is hereby authorized to inject water into the Tansill, Yates, Seven Rivers and Queen formations at approximately 2950 feet to approximately 3696 feet through 2 3/8-inch plastic lined tubing set in a packer located within 100 feet of the uppermost injection perforations in the wells described on Exhibit "A" attached hereto, for purposes of secondary recovery. One well to be converted by this order, the Cooper

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Jal Unit Well No.153, is an existing downhole commingled producer. The remaining three wells are existing single interval injection wells which will be completed as downhole commingled injectors.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED THAT:

The operator shall take all steps necessary to ensure that the injected water enters only the proposed injection interval and is not permitted to escape to other formations or onto the surface.

Prior to commencing injection operations into the wells, the casing shall be pressure tested from the surface to the packer setting depth to assure the integrity of said casing.

The casing-tubing annulus shall be loaded with an inert fluid and equipped with a pressure gauge at the surface or left open to the atmosphere to facilitate detection of leakage in the casing, tubing or packer.

The injection well or system shall be equipped with a pressure limiting device which will limit the wellhead pressure on the injection wells to no more than that shown on Exhibit "A".

The Director of the Division may authorize an increase in injection pressure upon a proper showing by the operator of said wells that such higher pressure will not result in migration of the injected fluid from the Tansill, Yates, Seven Rivers or Queen formations. Such proper showing shall consist of a valid step-rate test run in accordance with and acceptable to this office.

The operator shall notify the supervisor of the Hobbs district office of the Division of the date and time of the installation of injection equipment and of the mechanical integrity tests so that the same may be inspected and witnessed.

The operator shall immediately notify the supervisor of the Hobbs district office of the Division of the failure of the tubing, casing or packer in said wells and shall take such steps as may be timely and necessary to correct such failure or leakage.

The subject wells shall be governed by all provisions of Division Order Nos. R-4019 and R-4020, as amended and Rules 702-706 of the Division Rules and Regulations not inconsistent herewith.

<u>PROVIDED FURTHER THAT</u>, jurisdiction of this cause is hereby retained by the Division for the entry of such further order or orders as may be deemed necessary or convenient for the prevention of waste and/or protection of correlative rights; upon failure of the operator to conduct

operations in a manner which will ensure the protection of fresh water or in a manner inconsistent with the requirements set forth in this order, the Division may, after notice and hearing, terminate the injection authority granted herein.

The injection authority granted herein shall terminate one year after the effective date of this order if the operator has not commenced injection operations into the subject wells, provided however, the Division, upon written request by the operator, may grant an extension thereof for good cause shown.

DONE at Santa Fe, New Mexico, on this 17th day of May, 1995.

STATE OF NEW MEXICO
OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

WILLIAM J. LAMAY

Director

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cc: Oil Conservation Division - Hobbs

EXHIBIT "A"
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COOPER JAL UNIT WATERFLOOD PROJECT
APPROVED INJECTION WELLS

598	2 3/8"	2970'	2989'-3600'	25-24S-36E	Α	330' FNL & 330' FEL	226	30-025-09651
601	2 3/8"	2950'	3003'-3696'	19-24S-37E	T	1400' FSL & 280' FWL	153	30-025-26128
590	2 3/8"	2900'	2950'-3550'	25-24S-36E	F	2310' FNL & 1650' FWL	143	30-025-09658
590	2 3/8"	2900'	2950'-3640'	24-24S-36E	I	2310' FSL & 990' FEL	132	30-025-09639
Injection Pressure	Tubing Size	Packer Depth	Injection Interval	S-T-R	Unit	Location	Well No.	API Number

All wells in Lea County, New Mexico