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**CASE 10617:** (~~This Case Will Be Continued to January 7, 1993.~~)

Application of C. W. Trainer for designation of a tight formation, Chaves County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks the designation of the Mississippian formation underlying an area comprising 11,009.08 acres, more or less, of State (approximately 5.8%) and fee (approximately 94.2%) lands in Sections 35 and 36, Township 11 South, Range 28 East; Sections 21 through 23 and 26 through 35, Township 11 South, Range 29 East; Sections 1 and 2, Township 12 South, Range 29 East; and, Sections 2 through 6, Township 12 South, Range 29 East, as a "Tight Formation" pursuant to Section 107 of the Natural Gas Policy Act of 1978 and 18 C.F.R. Sections 271.701-705. Said area is located approximately 29 miles east by south of Roswell, New Mexico.

**CASE 10618:** Application of Siete Oil and Gas Company for statutory unitization, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order unitizing, for the purpose of establishing a waterflood project, all mineral interests in the proposed Parkway-Delaware Pool, underlying 920 acres, more or less, of State, Federal and Fee lands comprising portions of Sections 26, 35 and 36, Township 19 South, Range 29 East and a portion of Section 2, Township 20 South, Range 29 East. Said unit is to be designated the Parkway Delaware Unit Area. Among the matters to be considered at the hearing will be the necessity of unit operations; the designation of a unit operator; the determination of horizontal and vertical limits of the unit area; the determination of the fair, reasonable and equitable allocation of production and costs of production, including capital investment, to each of the various tracts in the unit area; the determination of credits and charges to be made among the various owners in the unit area for their investment in wells and equipment; and such other matters as may be necessary and appropriate for carrying on efficient unit operations; including but not necessarily limited to, unit voting procedures, selection, removal or substitution of unit operator, and time of commencement and termination of unit operations. Applicant also requests that any such order issued in this case include a provision for carrying any non-consenting working interest owner within the unit area upon such terms and conditions to be determined by the Division as just and reasonable. Said unit area is located approximately 6 miles north by west of the junction of U.S. Highway 62/180 and New Mexico State Highway No. 31.

**CASE 10619:** Application of Siete Oil and Gas Company for approval of a waterflood project, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks authority to institute a waterflood project on its proposed Parkway Delaware Unit Area (Division Case No. 10618) located in portions of Sections 26, 35 and 36, Township 19 South, Range 29 East and a portion of Section 2, Township 20 South, Range 29 East, by the injection of water into the Parkway-Delaware Pool through five certain wells all to be converted from producing oil wells. The applicant further seeks approval that said project qualify as an "Enhanced Oil Recovery Project" pursuant to the provisions of Division Order No. R-9708. Said project area is located approximately 6 miles north by west of the junction of U.S. Highway 62/180 and New Mexico State Highway No. 31.

**CASE 10560:** (Continued from October 29, 1992, Examiner Hearing.)

Application of Conoco Inc. for compulsory pooling, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests from the surface to the base of the Canyon formation underlying the NE/4 of Section 17, Township 19 South, Range 25 East, forming a standard 160-acre spacing and proration unit for any and all formations spaced on 160-acre spacing within said vertical extent, which presently includes but is not necessarily limited to the North Dagger Draw-Pennsylvanian Pool. Said unit is to be dedicated to the existing Southwest Royalties, Inc. Dagger Draw Well No. 1 located at a standard location 660 feet from the North line and 1980 feet from the East line (Unit B) of said Section 17, said unit and well were the subject of Division Case No. 10471. Also to be considered will be the cost of drilling and completing said well and the allocation of the cost thereof as well as actual operating costs and charges for supervision, designation of applicant as operator of the well and a charge for risk involved in drilling said well. Said unit is located approximately 6.5 miles northwest of Seven Rivers, New Mexico.

**CASE 10603:** (Continued from November 19, 1992, Examiner Hearing.) (This Case Will Be Dismissed.)

Application of Conoco, Inc. for compulsory pooling, San Juan County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests in the Basin-Fruitland Coal Gas Pool underlying the E/2 of Section 17, Township 30 North, Range 8 West, forming a standard 320-acre spacing and proration unit for said pool. Said unit is to be dedicated to a well to be drilled at a standard gas well location in the NE/4 of said Section 17. Also to be considered will be the cost of drilling and completing said well and the allocation of the cost thereof as well as actual operating costs and charges for supervision, designation of applicant as operator of the well and a charge for risk involved in drilling said well. Said unit is located approximately 2 miles west of the Navajo Lake State Park Airport.

**CASE 10594:** (Continued from November 5, 1992, Examiner Hearing.)

Application of Meridian Oil Inc. for a high angle/horizontal directional drilling pilot project, special operating rules therefor, a non-standard oil proration unit, an unorthodox well location, and special project oil allowable, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks to initiate a high angle/horizontal directional drilling pilot project in the Undesignated Northeast Ojito Gallup-Dakota Oil Pool underlying the N/2 of Section 23, Township 26 North, Range 3 West, thereby creating a non-standard 320-acre spacing and proration unit for said pool. The applicant proposes to drill its Jicarilla "99" Well No. 17 from an unorthodox surface location 330 feet from the North line and 745 feet from the West line (Unit D) of said Section 23, kick off from vertical in a southeasterly direction commencing to build angle at an appropriate rate to vertically and horizontally traverse the proposed producing area. Applicant further seeks the adoption of special operating provisions and rules within the pilot project area including the designation of a target window such that the horizontal or producing portion of the wellbore shall be no closer than 330 feet to either the north or south boundary, nor closer than 790 feet to the east or west boundary of the spacing unit, and for a special project allowable. Said project area is located approximately 12 miles northwest of Lindrith, New Mexico.

**CASE 10604:** (Continued from November 19, 1992, Examiner Hearing.)

Application of Meridian Oil Inc. for an unorthodox coal gas well location, San Juan County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval to drill a replacement coal gas well within an existing standard 315.76-acre gas spacing and proration unit comprising Lots 3 through 6, and 11 through 14 (W/2 equivalent) of Section 33, Township 31 North, Range 9 West, Basin Fruitland Coal Gas Pool, at an unorthodox coal gas well location within the NW/4 equivalent of said Section 33 that is no closer than 790 feet to any outer boundary of the proration unit nor closer than 130 feet to the quarter section line bisecting the unit nor closer than 10 feet to the subdivision inner boundaries within the NW/4 equivalent of said Section 33. Said unit is presently dedicated to the Johnston Federal Well No. 28 located at a standard coal gas well location 2255 feet from the South line and 1065 feet from the West line (Unit L) of said Section 33, which will either be plugged and abandoned or used as a pressure observation well after the replacement well is completed. Said unit is located approximately 8 miles southeast of Cedar Hill, New Mexico.

**CASE 10605:** (Continued from November 19, 1992, Examiner Hearing.) (This Case Will Be Dismissed.)

Application of Meridian Oil Inc. for compulsory pooling, San Juan County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests in the Basin Fruitland Coal Gas Pool underlying the E/2 of Section 13, Township 28 North, Range 11 West, forming a standard 320-acre spacing and proration unit for said pool. Said unit is to be dedicated to its Angle Peak "B" Well No. 14, located at a standard coal gas well location 1650 feet from the North and East lines (Unit G) at said Section 13, which will be recompleted from the Fulcher Kutz-Pictured Cliffs Pool into the Basin-Fruitland Coal Gas Pool. Also to be considered will be the cost of recompleting said well and the allocation of the costs thereof as well as actual operating costs and charges for supervision, designation of applicant as operator of the well and the assignment of a risk penalty factor. Said unit is located approximately 4 miles southeast by south of Bloomfield, New Mexico.

**CASE 10606:** (Continued from November 19, 1992, Examiner Hearing.)

Application of Meridian Oil Inc. for an unorthodox coal gas well location, San Juan County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval to drill a replacement coal gas well within an existing standard 320-acre gas spacing and proration unit comprising the W/2 of Section 12, Township 30 North, Range 9 West, Basin Fruitland Coal Gas Pool, at an unorthodox coal gas well location 790 feet from the North and West lines (Unit D) of said Section 12. Said unit is presently dedicated to the Johnston Federal Well No. 27 located at a standard coal gas well location 1250 feet from the South line and 1010 feet from the West line (Unit M) of said Section 12, which will either be plugged and abandoned or used as a pressure observation well after the proposed replacement well is completed. Said unit is located approximately 14 miles east of Aztec, New Mexico.

**CASE 10100:** (Continued from October 29, 1992, Examiner Hearing.)

In the matter of Case 10100 being reopened pursuant to the provisions of Division Order No. R-9330, which order promulgated special operating rules and regulations for the San Isidro (Shallow) Unit in Sandoval County. Operators in said unit may appear and show cause why the continuation of the foregoing special operating rules and regulations governing the Rio Puerco-Mancos Oil Pool within said Unit Area are consistent with sound engineering and conservation practices and show cause why such procedures should remain in effect.

**DOCKET: EXAMINER HEARING - THURSDAY - DECEMBER 17, 1992**  
**8:15 A.M. - OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION CONFERENCE ROOM, STATE LAND OFFICE BUILDING,**  
**SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO**

Dockets Nos. 1-93 and 2-93 are tentatively set for January 7, 1993 and January 21, 1993. Applications for hearing must be filed at least 23 days in advance of hearing date.

The following cases will be heard before Michael E. Stogner, Examiner or David R. Catanach, Alternate Examiner:

**CASE 10630:** Application of Giant Exploration & Production Company for compulsory pooling, San Juan County, New Mexico. Applicant seeks an order pooling all mineral interests in the Basin-Fruitland Coal (Gas) Pool underlying the E/2 of Section 22, Township 25 North, Range 13 West, forming a standard 320.00-acre gas spacing and proration unit for said pool. Said unit is to be dedicated to a well to be drilled at a standard coal gas well location in the NE/4 of said Section 22. Also to be considered will be the cost of drilling and completing said well and the allocation of the cost thereof as well as actual operating costs and charges for supervision, designation of applicant as the operator of the well and a charge for risk involved in drilling said well. Said unit is located approximately 3 miles south of Jeffers Lake.

**CASE 10631:** Application of Meridian Oil Inc. for unorthodox coal gas well location, San Juan County, New Mexico. Applicant seeks an approval to drill a replacement coal gas well in the Basin Fruitland Coal Gas Pool at an unorthodox NW/4 location 2330 feet from the North line and 790 feet from the West line (Unit E) of Section 35, Township 31 North, Range 9 West. The W/2 equivalent of said Section 35 is to be dedicated to said well forming a standard 314.25-acre, more or less, gas spacing and proration unit for said pool. Said unit is located approximately 7 miles southeast of Cedar Hill.

**CASE 10632:** Application of Meridian Oil Inc. for compulsory pooling and an unorthodox coal gas well location, San Juan County, New Mexico. Applicant seeks an order pooling certain working, royalty and overriding royalty interests in the Basin-Fruitland Coal Gas Pool underlying the E/2 of Section 17, Township 30 North, Range 8 West, forming a standard 320-acre gas spacing and proration unit for said pool. Said unit is to be dedicated to a well to be drilled at an unorthodox SE/4 gas well location 2270 feet from the South line and 640 feet from the East line (Unit I) of said Section 17. Also to be considered will be the cost of drilling and completing said well and the allocation of the cost thereof as well as actual operating costs and charges for supervision, designation of applicant as operator of the well and a charge for risk involved in drilling said well. Said unit is located approximately 2 miles west of the Navajo Lake State Park Airport.

**CASE 10633:** Application of Conoco Inc. for unorthodox oil well location, North Dagger Draw-Upper Pennsylvanian Pool, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant seeks an order approving the drilling of a well in the North Dagger Draw-Upper Pennsylvanian Pool at an unorthodox location 1980 feet from the North line and 1530 feet from the West line (Unit F) of Section 18, Township 19 South, Range 25 East. The NW/4 of said Section 18 is to be dedicated to said well forming a standard 160.00-acre oil spacing and proration unit for said pool. Said unit is located approximately 1 3/4 miles southwest of the Port of Entry on U.S. 62/180.

**CASE 10100:** (Continued from December 3, 1992, Examiner Hearing.)

In the matter of Case 10100 being reopened pursuant to the provisions of Division Order No. R-9390, which order promulgated special operating rules and regulations for the San Isidro (Shallow) Unit in Sandoval County. Operators in said unit may appear and show cause why the continuation of the foregoing special operating rules and regulations governing the Rio Puerco-Mancos Oil Pool within said Unit Area are consistent with sound engineering and conservation practices and show cause why such procedures should remain in effect.

**CASE 10634:** Application of Exxon Corporation for downhole commingling, an exception to Division Order No. R-8170, as amended, and a non-standard spacing and proration unit or in the alternative an unorthodox gas well location, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant seeks approval to downhole commingle the Blinbery and Paddock formations in its J.L. Greenwood Well No. 9 located 1980 feet from the South line and 2080 feet from the East line of Section 9, Township 22 South, Range 37 East. Applicant further seeks an exception to Order No. R-8170, as amended, to allow said well to produce with an unrestricted allowable. Also, applicant seeks approval of a non-standard spacing and proration unit for said well comprising the E/2 SW/4 and W/2 SE/4 of said Section 9, or in the alternative a standard spacing and proration unit consisting of the SE/4 of said Section 9 with an unorthodox gas well location. Said well is located approximately 2 miles south of Eunice, New Mexico.

**CASE 10617:** (Readvertised)

Application of C. W. Trainer for designation of a tight formation, Chaves County, New Mexico. Applicant seeks the designation of the Mississippian formation underlying an area comprising 11,009.08 acres, more or less, of State (approximately 5.8%) and fee (approximately 94.2%) lands in Sections 35 and 36, Township 11 South, Range 28 East; Sections 21 through 23 and 26 through 35, Township 11 South, Range 29 East; Sections 1 and 2, Township 12 South, Range 29 East; and, Sections 2 through 6, Township 12 South, Range 29 East, as a "Tight Formation" pursuant to Section 107 of the Natural Gas Policy Act of 1978 and 18 C.F.R. Sections 271.701-705. Said area is located approximately 29 miles east by south of Roswell, New Mexico.

**CASE 10598:** (Readvertised)

Application of Santa Fe Energy Operating Partners, L.P. for an unorthodox gas well location, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant seeks approval for an unorthodox gas well location, in both the Undesignated Frontier Hills-Strawn Gas Pool and South Carlsbad-Morrow Gas Pool, 660 feet from the North and West lines (Unit D) of Section 28, Township 23 South, Range 26 East. The N/2 of said Section 28 is to be dedicated to said well forming a standard 320-acre gas spacing and proration unit for both pools. Said unit is located approximately 5 miles south-southwest of the Cavern City Airport in Carlsbad

**CASE 10629:** (Continued from December 3, 1992, Examiner Hearing.)

Application of Santa Fe Energy Operating Partners, L. P. for compulsory pooling and an unorthodox gas well location, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests from the surface to the base of the Morrow formation underlying the following described areas in Section 27, Township 21 South, Range 24 East, and in the following manner: the entire section forming a standard 640-acre gas spacing and proration unit for any and all formations and/or pools developed on 640-acre spacing within said vertical extent, which presently includes only the Undesignated Indian Basin-Upper Pennsylvanian Gas Pool and the Undesignated Indian Basin-Morrow Gas Pool, and the W/2 forming a standard 320-acre gas spacing and proration unit for any and all formations and/or pools developed on 320-acre spacing within said vertical extent. Said units are to be dedicated to a single well to be drilled at an unorthodox gas well location 500 feet from the South line and 660 feet from the West line (Unit M) of said Section 27. Also to be considered will be the cost of drilling and completing said well and the allocation of the cost thereof as well as actual operating costs and charges for supervision, designation of applicant as operator of the well and a charge for risk involved in drilling said well. Said area is located approximately 15 miles west by north of Carlsbad, New Mexico.

**CASE 10635:** Application of Mewbourne Oil Company for compulsory pooling and an unorthodox gas well location, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant seeks an order pooling all mineral interests from the base of the San Andres formation to the base of the Morrow formation underlying the following described areas in Section 15, Township 18 South, Range 28 East, and in the following manner: the E/2 forming a standard 320-acre gas spacing and proration unit for any and all formations and/or pools developed on 320-acre spacing within said vertical extent, the SE/4 forming a standard 160-acre gas spacing and proration unit for any and all formations and/or pools developed on 160-acre spacing within said vertical extent, the W/2 SE/4 forming a standard 80-acre oil spacing and proration unit for any and all formations and/or pools developed on 80-acre spacing within said vertical extent, the NW/4 SE/4 forming a standard 40-acre oil spacing and proration unit for any and all formations and/or pools developed on 40-acre spacing within said vertical extent. Said units are to be dedicated to a single well to be drilled at an unorthodox location 1500 feet from the South line and 1980 feet from the East line (Unit J) of said Section 15. Also to be considered will be the cost of drilling and completing said well and the allocation of the cost thereof as well as actual operating costs and charges for supervision, designation of applicant as operator of the well and a charge for risk involved in drilling said well. Said area is located approximately 9 miles east-southeast of Artesia, New Mexico.

**CASE 10636:** Application of Mewbourne Oil Company for compulsory pooling and an unorthodox gas well location, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant seeks an order pooling all mineral interests from the base of the Abo formation to the base of the Morrow formation underlying the following described areas in Section 27, Township 17 South, Range 28 East, and in the following manner: the E/2 forming a standard 320-acre gas spacing and proration unit for any and all formations and/or pools developed on 320-acre spacing within said vertical extent, the SE/4 forming a standard 160-acre gas spacing and proration unit for any and all formations and/or pools developed on 160-acre spacing within said vertical extent, the E/2 SE/4 forming a standard 80-acre oil spacing and proration unit for any and all formations and/or pools developed on 80-acre spacing within said vertical extent, the NE/4 SE/4 forming a standard 40-acre oil spacing and proration unit for any and all formations and/or pools developed on 40-acre spacing within said vertical extent. Said units are to be dedicated to a single well to be drilled at an unorthodox location 1756 feet from the South line and 660 feet from the East line (Unit I) of said Section 27. Also to be considered will be the cost of drilling and completing said well and the allocation of the cost thereof as well as actual operating costs and charges for supervision, designation of applicant as operator of the well and a charge for risk involved in drilling said well. Said area is located approximately 7 miles east-southeast of Riverside, New Mexico.

**CASE 10637:** Application of Mewbourne Oil Company for compulsory pooling, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant seeks an order pooling all mineral interests from the base of the Abo formation to the base of the Morrow formation underlying the E/2 of Section 35, Township 17 South, Range 27 East, forming a standard 320-acre, more or less, gas spacing and proration unit for said pool. Said unit is to be dedicated to the applicant's Chalk Bluff "35" Federal Well No. 1 to be drilled at an orthodox location within said E/2 proration unit. Also to be considered will be the cost of drilling and completing said well and the allocation of the cost thereof as well as actual operating costs and charges for supervision, designation of applicant as the operator of the well and a charge for risk involved in drilling said well. Said unit is located approximately 6 miles southeast of Artesia, New Mexico.