

CASE 9749: (Continued from September 6, 1989, Examiner Hearing)

Application of OGS Operating Company, Inc. for compulsory pooling and an unorthodox oil well location, Roosevelt County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests in the Bluitt-San Andres Associated Pool underlying either the N/2 of Section 15, Township 8 South, Range 37 East, forming a standard 320-acre gas spacing and proration unit for said pool if gas is encountered or the E/2 NE/4 of said Section 15, forming a standard 80-acre oil spacing and proration unit for said pool if oil is encountered. Either unit is to be dedicated to a well to be drilled 990 feet from the North and East lines (Unit A) of said Section 15, which is a standard gas well location for the 320-acre unit and a non-standard oil well location for the 80-acre 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 operator of the well and a charge for risk involved in drilling said well. Said unit is approximately 2.5 miles east of Bluitt, New Mexico.

CASE 9771: Application of OGS Operating Company 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 Strawn formation underlying the following described acreage in Section 5, Township 24 South, Range 25 East, and in the following described manner: the S/2 to form a standard 320-acre gas spacing and proration unit for any and all formations and/or pools (Undesignated Dark Canyon-Pennsylvanian Gas Pool and Undesignated Mosley Canyon-Strawn Gas Pool) developed on 320-acre spacing; the SW/4 to form a standard 160-acre gas spacing and proration unit for any and all formations developed on 160-acre spacing; and, the SE/4 SW/4 to form a standard 40-acre oil spacing and proration unit for any and all formations and/or pools developed on statewide 40-acre spacing. All of the above-described units are to be dedicated to a single well to be drilled at a standard location in the SE/4 SW/4 (Unit N) of said Section 5. 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 5.25 miles northwest by north of White City, New Mexico.

CASE 9744: (Readvertised)

Application of Richmond Petroleum Inc. for compulsory pooling and an unorthodox coal gas well location, 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 Lots 3 and 4, the S/2 NW/4, and the SW/4 (W/2 equivalent) of Section 10, Township 32 North, Range 6 West, forming a standard 279-acre gas spacing and proration unit for said pool, said unit to be dedicated to a well to be drilled at an unorthodox coal gas well location 1450 feet from the North line and 1815 feet from the West line (Unit F) of said Section 10. Also to be considered will be the cost of drilling and completing a well within the unit and the allocation of the cost thereof as well as actual operating costs and charges for supervision, designation of applicant as operator of the unit and well and a charge for risk involved in drilling said well. Said unit is bounded to the north by the State of Colorado between Mile Posts Nos. 242 and 243.

CASE 9745: (Readvertised)

Application of Richmond Petroleum Inc. for compulsory pooling and an unorthodox coal gas well location, 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 Lots 1 and 2, the S/2 NE/4, and the SE/4 (E/2 equivalent) of Section 9, Township 32 North, Range 6 West, forming a standard 279.4-acre gas spacing and proration unit for said pool, to be dedicated to a well to be drilled at an unorthodox coal gas well location 360 feet from the North line and 120 feet from the East line (Unit A) of said Section 9. Also to be considered will be the cost of drilling and completing a well within the unit and the allocation of the cost thereof as well as actual operating costs and charges for supervision, designation of applicant as operator of the unit and well and a charge for risk involved in drilling said well. Said unit is bounded to the north by the State of Colorado at Mile Post No. 243.

CASE 9746: (Continued from September 20, 1989, Examiner Hearing)

Application of Richmond Petroleum 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 S/2 of Section 9, Township 32 North, Range 6 West, forming a standard 320-acre gas spacing and proration unit for said pool, said unit to be dedicated to a well to be drilled at a standard coal gas well location in the SW/4 of said Section 9. 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 1/2 mile south of Mile Post No. 243 which is located on the Colorado/New Mexico stateline.

Dockets Nos. 30-89 and 31-89 are tentatively set for October 18 and November 1, 1989. Applications for hearing must be filed at least 22 days in advance of hearing date.

DOCKET: EXAMINER HEARING - WEDNESDAY - OCTOBER 4, 1989

8:15 A.M. - OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION CONFERENCE ROOM,  
STATE LAND OFFICE BUILDING, SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

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

ALLOWABLE: (1) Consideration of the allowable production of gas for November, 1989, from fourteen prorated gas pools in Lea, Eddy, and Chaves Counties, New Mexico.

(2) Consideration of the allowable production of gas for November, 1989, from four prorated gas pools in San Juan, Rio Arriba, and Sandoval Counties, New Mexico.

CASE 9712: (Continued from September 20, 1989, Examiner Hearing)

In the matter of the hearing called by the Oil Conservation Division on its own motion to permit Tom L. Ingram, American Employers' Insurance Company, and all other interested parties to appear and show cause why the Chappell "5" Well No. 1 located 2310 feet from the North line and 990 feet from the West line (Unit E) of Section 5, Township 12 North, Range 30 East, as projected into the unsurveyed Baca Location No. 2 Grant, San Miguel County, New Mexico (which is located approximately 9.25 miles north-northwest of Tucumcari, New Mexico), should not be plugged and abandoned in accordance with a Division-approved plugging program.

CASE 9713: (Continued from September 20, 1989, Examiner Hearing)

In the matter of the hearing called by the Oil Conservation Division on its own motion to permit Tom L. Ingram, American Employers' Insurance Company, and all other interested parties to appear and show cause why the Gihon "31" Well No. 1 located 2970 feet from the South line and 1814 feet from the East line (Unit G) of Section 31, Township 13 North, Range 30 East, as projected into the unsurveyed Baca Location No. 2 Grant/Pablo Montoya Land Grant, San Miguel County, New Mexico (which is located approximately 10.5 miles north-northwest of Tucumcari, New Mexico), should not be plugged and abandoned in accordance with a Division-approved plugging program.

CASE 9770: Application of Yates Petroleum Corporation for an unorthodox gas well location, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for an unorthodox gas well location for its Saguaro "AGS" Federal Com Well No. 1 to be drilled 1980 feet from the South line and 660 feet from the West line (Unit L) of Section 11, Township 20 South, Range 24 East, Undesignated Cemetery-Morrow Gas Pool, the S/2 of said Section 11 to be dedicated to said well forming a standard 320-acre gas spacing and proration unit for said pool. Said unit is located approximately 8 miles west of Seven Rivers, New Mexico.

CASE 9725: (Continued from September 20, 1989, Examiner Hearing)

Application of Yates Petroleum Corporation for an unorthodox gas well location, Chaves County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for an unorthodox gas well location for its Red Rock "NB" Federal Well No. 2 to be drilled 330 feet from the South line and 1980 feet from the West line (Unit N) of Section 28, Township 6 South, Range 25 East, Pecos Slope-Abo Gas Pool, the SW/4 of said Section 28 to be dedicated to said well forming a standard 160-acre gas spacing and proration unit for said pool. Said well location is approximately 13.25 miles north by west of the Pecos River Bridge on U.S. Highway 70.

CASE 9700: (Continued from September 20, 1989, Examiner Hearing)

Application of Yates Petroleum Corporation 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 Morrow formation underlying Lots 1, 2, 3, and 4 and the S/2 N/2 (N/2 equivalent) of Section 2, Township 20 South, Range 24 East, forming a standard 319.04-acre gas spacing and proration unit for any and all formations and/or pools within said vertical extent developed on 320-acre spacing (which presently includes but is not necessarily limited to the Undesignated Dagger Draw-Strawn Gas Pool, Undesignated Dagger Draw-Atoka Gas Pool, Undesignated North Cemetery-Atoka Gas Pool, Undesignated Cemetery-Morrow Gas Pool, and the Undesignated Hoag Tank-Morrow Gas Pool) and Lots 3 and 4 and the S/2 NW/4 (NW/4 equivalent) of said Section 2 to form a standard 159.64-acre spacing and proration unit for all formations and/or pools developed on 160-acre spacing (which presently includes but is not necessarily limited to the Undesignated Dagger Draw-Wolfcamp Gas Pool and the Undesignated North Dagger Draw-Upper Pennsylvanian Pool). Both aforementioned units are to be dedicated to a well to be drilled at a standard location 660 feet from the North line and 1980 feet from the West line (Unit C) of said Section 2. 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 well location is approximately 8 miles west by north of Seven Rivers, New Mexico.

and all formations and/or pools developed on 320-acre spacing (which presently includes but is not necessarily limited to the Undesignated Antelope Ridge-Atoka Gas Pool, Undesignated Antelope Ridge-Morrow Gas Pool, Undesignated Ojo Chiso-Strawn Gas Pool, and Undesignated Ojo Chiso-Morrow Gas Pool); the SW/4 to form a standard 160-acre gas spacing and proration unit for any and all formations developed on 160-acre spacing; and the SW/4 SW/4 to form a standard 40-acre oil spacing and proration unit for any and all formations developed on statewide 40-acre spacing. All of the above-described units are to be dedicated to a well to be drilled at an unorthodox location 1090 feet from the South line and 990 feet from the West line (Unit M) 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 operator of the well and a charge for risk involved in drilling said well. Said well location is approximately 5.5 miles north-northwest of the San Simon Sink.

CASE 9783:

Application of Oryx Energy Company for compulsory pooling, Lea 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 acreage in Section 26, Township 22 South, Range 34 East, and in the following manner: the S/2 to form a standard 320-acre gas spacing and proration unit for any and all formations and/or pools developed on 320-acre spacing (which presently includes but is not necessarily limited to the Undesignated Antelope Ridge-Atoka Gas Pool, Undesignated Antelope Ridge-Morrow Gas Pool, Undesignated Ojo Chiso-Strawn Gas Pool, and Undesignated Ojo Chiso-Morrow Gas Pool); the SE/4 to form a standard 160-acre gas spacing and proration unit for any and all formations developed on 160-acre spacing; and the SW/4 SE/4 to form a standard 40-acre oil spacing and proration unit for any and all formations developed on statewide 40-acre spacing. All of the above-described units are to be dedicated to a well to be drilled at a standard location in the SW/4 SE/4 (Unit O) of said Section 26. 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 4 miles north-northwest of the San Simon Sink.

CASE 9784:

Application of Oryx Energy Company for compulsory pooling, Lea 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 acreage in Section 27, Township 22 South, Range 34 East, and in the following manner: the N/2 to form a standard 320-acre gas spacing and proration unit for any and all formations and/or pools developed on 320-acre spacing (which presently includes but is not necessarily limited to the Undesignated Antelope Ridge-Atoka Gas Pool, Undesignated Antelope Ridge-Morrow Gas Pool, Undesignated Ojo Chiso-Strawn Gas Pool, and Undesignated Ojo Chiso-Morrow Gas Pool); the NW/4 to form a standard 160-acre gas spacing and proration unit for any and all formations developed on 160-acre spacing; and the NE/4 NW/4 to form a standard 40-acre oil spacing and proration unit for any and all formations developed on statewide 40-acre spacing. All of the above-described units are to be dedicated to a well to be drilled at a standard location in the NE/4 NW/4 (Unit C) 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 unit is located approximately 5 miles north-northwest of the San Simon Sink.

CASE 9729:

(Continued from August 23, 1989, Examiner Hearing.)

Application of Meridian Oil Inc. for a non-standard gas proration unit, San Juan County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for a 320-acre non-standard gas spacing and proration unit comprising the NE/4 NW/4, S/2 NW/4, and the SW/4 of Section 24 and the SE/4 SE/4 of Section 23, both in Township 31 North, Range 12 West, Basin-Fruitland Coal Gas Pool. Said unit is to be dedicated to the East Well No. 102 to be located at a standard coal gas well location 1310 feet from the South line and 1490 feet from the West line (Unit N) of said Section 24, which is approximately 4.5 miles northwest of Aztec, New Mexico.

CASE 9771:

(Continued from October 4, 1989, Examiner Hearing.)

Application of OGS Operating Company 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 Strawn formation underlying the following described acreage in Section 5, Township 24 South, Range 25 East, and in the following described manner: the S/2 to form a standard 320-acre gas spacing and proration unit for any and all formations and/or pools (Undesignated Dark Canyon-Pennsylvanian Gas Pool and Undesignated Mosley Canyon-Strawn Gas Pool) developed on 320-acre spacing; the SW/4 to form a standard 160-acre gas spacing and proration unit for any and all formations developed on 160-acre spacing; and, the SE/4 SW/4 to form a standard 40-acre oil spacing and proration unit for any and all formations and/or pools developed on statewide 40-acre spacing. All of the above-described units are to be dedicated to a single well to be drilled at a standard location in the SE/4 SW/4 (Unit N) of said Section 5. 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 5.25 miles northwest by north of White City, New Mexico.

- CASE 9785: Application of Arco Oil and Gas Company, a Division of Atlantic Richfield Company, for compulsory pooling and a non-standard gas proration unit, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests from the surface to the base of the Ellenberger formation underlying Lots 1 through 8 of Section 4, Township 21 South, Range 36 East, forming a non-standard 317.6-acre gas spacing and proration unit for any and all formations and/or pools developed within said vertical extent being developed on 320-acre spacing. Said unit is to be dedicated to a well to be drilled at a standard gas well location 660 feet from the North line and 1980 feet from the West line (Unit C) of said Section 4. 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 1.25 miles north by west of Oil Center, New Mexico.
- CASE 9786: Application of Harvey E. Yates Company for an exception to Division Order No. R-3221, as amended, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an exception to the provisions of Division Order No. R-3221, as amended, to permit the disposal of water produced in conjunction with the production of oil and gas from its Lusk "16" State Lease into an unlined pit to be located in the SW/4 of Section 16, Township 19 South, Range 32 East. Said area is located approximately 7 miles north of Laguna Toston.
- CASE 9787: Application of Harvey E. Yates Company for compulsory pooling and directional drilling, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests in the Undesignated East Burton Flat-Strawn Gas Pool underlying the W/2 of Section 14, Township 20 South, Range 29 East, forming a standard 320-acre gas spacing and proration unit for said pool. Said unit is to be dedicated to a well to be directionally drilled from a surface location 760 feet from the South line and 1980 feet from the West line (Unit N) of Section 11, Township 20 South, Range 29 East, to a standard bottomhole gas well location within 100 feet of a point 2180 feet from the North line and 1880 feet from the West line (Unit F) of Section 14, Township 20 South, Range 29 East. 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 location is approximately 4 miles north-northwest of the junction of U.S. Highway 62/180 and New Mexico State Highway 31.
- CASE 9773: (Continued from October 4, 1989, Examiner Hearing.)
- Application of Bran Oil Corporation for compulsory pooling, Chaves County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests from the surface to the base of the Abo formation underlying the NW/4 of Section 33, Township 6 South, Range 26 East, forming a standard 160-acre gas spacing and proration unit for any and all formations and/or pools developed on 160-acre spacing, which presently includes but is not necessarily limited to the Pecos Slope-Abo Gas Pool, said unit to be dedicated to a well to be drilled at a standard gas well location thereon. 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 15 miles west by north of Elkins, New Mexico.
- CASE 9788: Application of Yates Petroleum Corporation for directional drilling and an unorthodox gas well location, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks authorization to directionally drill a well from a surface location of 563 feet from the South line and 2125 feet from the East line (Unit O) of Section 11, Township 20 South, Range 29 East, to an unorthodox bottomhole gas well location in the Morrow formation within 50 feet of a point 2480 feet from the North line and 1980 feet from the East line (Unit G) of Section 14, Township 20 South, Range 29 East, the E/2 of said Section 14 to be dedicated to said well forming a standard 320-acre gas spacing and proration unit for the Undesignated East Burton Flat-Morrow Gas Pool. This well location is approximately 4 miles north-northwest of the junction of U.S. Highway 62/180 and New Mexico State Highway 31.
- CASE 9700: (Readvertised)
- Application of Yates Petroleum Corporation 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 Morrow formation underlying Lots 1 through 4, and the S/2 N/2 (N/2 equivalent) of Section 2, Township 20 South, Range 24 East, forming a standard 319.04-acre gas spacing and proration unit for any and all formations and/or pools developed within said vertical extent being developed on 320-acre spacing (which presently includes but is not necessarily limited to the Undesignated Dagger Draw-Strawn Gas Pool, Undesignated Dagger Draw-Atoka Gas Pool, Undesignated North Cemetery-Atoka Gas Pool, Undesignated Cemetery-Morrow Gas Pool, and the Undesignated Hoag Tank-Morrow Gas Pool) and Lots 3 and 4 and the S/2 NW/4 (NW/4 equivalent) of said Section 2 to form a standard 160-acre spacing and proration unit for all formations and/or pools developed on 160-acre spacing (which presently includes but is not necessarily limited to the Undesignated Dagger Draw-Wolfcamp Gas Pool and the