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Re: CASE NO. 9893
ORDER NO. R-9150

Applicant:
Pacific Enterprises Oil Company (USA)

Dear Madam:

Enclosed herewith are two copies of the above-referenced
Division order recently entered in the subject case.

Sincerely,

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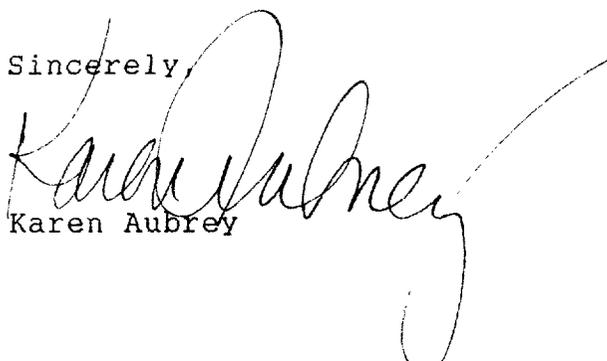
Re: Cases 9893 and 9901; Applications of Pacific
Enterprises Oil Company (USA) for Compulsory Pooling

Dear Mr. Catanach:

I enclose proposed orders for your consideration
reflecting the testimony given and exhibits admitted at the
April 4, 1990 Examiner hearing.

Since we have a drilling deadline of May 1, 1990 due to
a farmout in Case 9893, we would appreciate it if you could
expedite that order.

Sincerely,


Karen Aubrey

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STATE OF NEW MEXICO
ENERGY, MINERALS, AND NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT
OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

IN THE MATTER OF THE HEARING
CALLED BY THE OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION
FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONSIDERING:

CASE NO. 9893
ORDER NO.

APPLICATION OF PACIFIC ENTERPRISES OIL
COMPANY (USA),
FOR COMPULSORY POOLING,
EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

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PROPOSED
ORDER OF THE DIVISION

BY THE DIVISION:

This cause came on for hearing at 8:15 a.m. on
April 4, 1990, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner
David R. Catanach.

NOW, on this ____ of April, 1990, the Division
Director, having considered the testimony, the record, and
the recommendations of the Examiner, and being fully advised
in the premises,

FINDS THAT:

(1) Due public notice having been given as
required by law, the Division has jurisdiction of this cause
and the subject matter thereof.

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(2) The Applicant, Pacific Enterprises Oil Company (USA) (hereinafter referred to as Applicant), seeks compulsory pooling of all mineral interests underlying the West Half of Section 28, Township 18 South, Range 27 East, from the surface to the bottom of the Morrow formation or 10,000 feet, whichever is deeper, including but not necessarily limited to either the Undesignated Red Lake-Pennsylvanian Gas Pool or the Undesignated Red Lake Atoka-Morrow Gas Pool, for the formation of a spacing and proration unit consisting of 320 acres to be dedicated to a well to be drilled at a standard location, 2030 feet from the North line and 1980 feet from the West line of said Section 28.

(3) That the West Half of Section 28, T18S, R27E is a standard spacing unit for the Undesignated Red Lake-Pennsylvanian Gas Pool and/or the Undesignated Red Lake Atoka-Morrow Gas Pool.

(4) That Applicant has the right to drill and complete a well at the proposed location.

(5) To avoid the drilling of unnecessary wells, to protect correlative rights, to avoid waste, and to afford to the owner of each interest in said unit the opportunity to recover or receive without unnecessary expense his just

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and fair share of the production in any pool completion resulting from this order, the subject Application should be approved by pooling all mineral interests whatever they may be, within said unit.

(6) The Applicant should be designated the operator of the subject well and unit.

(7) Any non-consenting working interest owner should be afforded the opportunity to pay his share of estimated well costs to the operator in lieu of paying his share of reasonable well costs out of production.

(8) The Applicant has proposed a 200 percent risk penalty to be assessed against those interest owners subject to the force-pooling provisions of this order, and in support thereof presented evidence and testimony at the hearing.

(9) Any non-consenting working interest owner who does not pay his share of estimated well costs should have withheld from production his share of the reasonable well costs plus an additional 200 percent thereof as a reasonable charge for the risk involved in the drilling of the well.

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(10) Any non-consenting interest owner should be afforded the opportunity to object to the actual well costs, but actual well costs should be adopted as the reasonable well costs in the absence of such objection.

(11) Following determination of reasonable well costs, any non-consenting working interest owner who has paid his share of estimated costs should pay to the operator any amount that reasonable well costs exceed estimated well costs and should receive from the operator any amount that paid estimated well costs exceed reasonable well costs.

(12) \$5050.00 per month while drilling and \$505.00 per month while producing should be fixed as reasonable charges for supervision (combined fixed rates); the operator should be authorized to withhold from production the proportionate share of such supervision charges attributable to each nonconsenting working interest, and in addition thereto, the operator should be authorized to withhold from production the proportionate share of actual expenditures required for operating the subject well not in excess of what are reasonable, attributable to each non-consenting working interest.

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(13) All proceeds from production from the subject well which are not disbursed for any reason should be placed in escrow to be paid to the true owner thereof upon demand and proof of ownership.

(14) Upon the failure of the operator of said pooled unit to commence the drilling of the well to which said unit is dedicated on or before _____, 1990, the order pooling said unit should become null and void and of no effect whatsoever.

(15) Should all parties to this forced pooling reach voluntary agreement subsequent to entry of this order, this order shall thereafter be of no further effect.

(16) The operator of the well and unit shall notify the Director of the Division in writing of the subsequent voluntary agreement of all parties subject to the forced pooling provisions of this order.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:

(1) All mineral interests, whatever they may be, in the Morrow formation, Undesignated Red Lake-Pennsylvanian Gas Pool and/or the Undesignated Red Lake Atoka-Morrow Gas Pool, underlying the West Half of Section 28, Township 18 South, Range 27 East, N.M.P.M., Eddy County, New Mexico, are

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hereby pooled forming a standard 320 acre gas spacing and proration unit for said pool to be dedicated to a well to be drilled at a standard gas well location 2030 from the North line and 1980 from the West line (Unit) of said Section 28.

PROVIDED HOWEVER THAT, the operator of said unit shall commence the drilling of said well on or before the ____ day of _____, 1990, and shall thereafter continue the drilling of said well with due diligence to a depth sufficient to test the Undesignated Red Lake Atoka-Morrow Gas Pool and/or the Undesignated Red Lake-Pennsylvanian Gas Pool.

PROVIDED FURTHER THAT, in the event said operator does not commence the drilling of said well on or before the ____ day of _____, 1990, Ordering Paragraph No. (1) of this order shall be null and void and of no effect whatsoever, unless said operator obtains a time extension from the Division for good cause shown.

PROVIDED FURTHER THAT, should said well not be drilled to completion, or abandonment, within 120 days after commencement thereof, said operator shall appear before the Division Director and show cause why Ordering Paragraph No. (1) of this order should not be rescinded.

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(2) Pacific Enterprises Oil Company (USA) is hereby designated the operator of the subject well and unit.

(3) After the effective date of this order and within 90 days prior to commencing said well, the operator shall furnish the Division and each known working interest owner in the subject unit an itemized schedule of estimated well costs.

(4) Within 30 days from the date the schedule of estimated well costs is furnished to him any non-consenting working interest owner shall have the right to pay his share of estimated well costs to the operator in lieu of paying his share of reasonable well costs out of production and any such owner who pays his share of estimated well costs as provided above shall remain liable for operating costs but shall not be liable for risk charges.

(5) The operator shall furnish the Division and each known working interest owner an itemized schedule of actual well costs within 90 days following completion of the well; if no objection to the actual well costs is received by the Division and the Division has not objected within 45 days following receipt of said schedule, the actual well costs shall be the reasonable well costs; provided however,

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if there is objection to actual well costs within said 45-day period the Division will determine reasonable well costs after public notice and hearing.

(6) Within 60 days following determination of reasonable well costs, any non-consenting working interest owner who has paid his share of estimated well costs in advance as provided above shall pay to the operator his pro rata share of the amount that reasonable well costs exceed estimated well costs and shall receive from the operator his pro rata share of the amount that estimated well costs exceed reasonable well costs.

(7) The operator is hereby authorized to withhold the following costs and charges from production:

(A) The pro rata share of reasonable well costs attributable to each non-consenting working interest owner who has not paid his share of estimated well costs within 30 days from the date the schedule of estimated well costs is furnished to him, and

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(B) As a charge for the risk involved in the drilling of the well, 200 percent of the prorata share of reasonable well costs attributable to each non-consenting working interest owner who has not paid his share of estimated well costs within 30 days from the date the schedule of estimated well costs is furnished to him.

(8) The operator shall distribute said costs and charges withheld from production to the parties who advanced the well costs.

(9) \$5050.00 per month while drilling and \$505.00 per month while producing are hereby fixed as reasonable charges for supervision (combined fixed rates); the operator is hereby authorized to withhold from production the proportionate share of such supervision charges attributable to each non-consenting working interest, and in addition thereto, the operator is hereby authorized to withhold from production the proportionate share of actual expenditures required for operating such well, not in excess of what are reasonable, attributable to each non-consenting working interest.

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(10) Any unleased mineral interest shall be considered a seven-eighths (7/8) working interest and a one-eighth (1/8) royalty interest for the purpose of allocating costs and charges under the terms of this order.

(11) Any well costs or charges which are to be paid out of production shall be withheld only from the working interest's share of production, and no costs or charges shall be withheld from production attributable to royalty interests.

(12) All proceeds from production from the subject well which are not disbursed for any reason shall immediately be placed in escrow in Eddy County, New Mexico, to be paid to the true owner thereof upon demand and proof of ownership; the operator shall notify the Division of the name and address of said escrow agent within 30 days from the date of first deposit with said escrow agent.

(13) Should all parties to this forced pooling order reach voluntary agreement subsequent to entry of this order, this order shall thereafter be of no further effect.

(14) The operator of the well and unit shall notify the Director of the Division in writing of the subsequent voluntary agreement of all parties subject to the forced pooling provisions of this order.

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(15) Jurisdiction of this cause is retained for the entry of such further orders as the Division may deem necessary.

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

STATE OF NEW MEXICO
OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

WILLIAM J. LEMAY
Director

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No. 1-90

MEMORANDUM

TO: All Operators

FROM: William J. LeMay, Director *WJL*

SUBJECT: Administrative Applications for Unorthodox Locations

DATE: March 21, 1990

Division Memorandum No. 3-89, dated March 24, 1989, advised the industry that the OCD would no longer automatically approve unopposed unorthodox location applications. Unorthodox locations can be approved administratively in accordance with the Rules and Regulations or applicable special pool rules if surface conditions truly prevent the use of a legal location and if directional drilling to a legal location is not feasible.

Topographic conditions which will be considered to justify an unorthodox location include such traditional factors as terrain features (steep slopes, arroyos, etc.) which make drilling impractical. In addition, approval may be given to avoid archeological sites which may not be disturbed without substantial mitigation, incompatible surface uses such as buildings, recreation areas, etc. Applications should fully document the reason an unorthodox location is required.

The attached guidelines state the minimum information which should be submitted with applications for administrative approval of unorthodox locations. Failure to provide the necessary information will probably result in processing delays.

If the surface of the proration unit or proposed drill site is controlled by a Federal Surface Management Agency, a copy of the application must be sent to the appropriate agency office.

If there are legal locations within the proration unit which are drillable, but the operator chooses not to drill those locations for geological reasons the application cannot be approved administratively and a hearing will be required.

NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

SUBMITTAL GUIDELINES FOR ADMINISTRATIVE APPROVAL OF NON-STANDARD LOCATION APPLICATIONS

- I. If the well is located on Federal or Indian Lands, the Federal Surface Management Agency must be notified and an on-site inspection conducted prior to filing the application. If an Application for Permit to drill or a Notice of Staking has been prepared, a copy must be submitted.
- II. Completed C-102 showing the well location, proration unit, leases within the unit and other required information.
- III. Land plat showing offset operators and working interest owners and any offsetting wells producing from the same pool or formation.
 - A. This information may be shown on the topo map if it does not impair the readability of the map.
 - B. The operator should certify that the information is current and correct.
- IV. Original or clear copy of topographic map, preferably 7.5 minute quad, showing contours and other mapped features impacting the location, with the following information marked thereon (In order to be able to adequately show all of the necessary surface conditions it may be necessary to enlarge the relevant portion of the topo map to provide room for detail):
 - A. The proposed well location and proration unit;
 - B. An outline of the orthodox drilling windows as provided in the applicable rules for the subject application;
 - C. The location of any wells to any formation within the area of the proration unit and a statement as to whether an existing pad can be used to drill the proposed well;
- V. An enlargement of the topo map showing the subject area with the applicable additional information:
 - A. Terrain features not shown on the map which make an orthodox location unusable;
 - B. Proposed access roads and pipelines if they affect the location selection;
 - C. The location of any surface uses which prevent use of a legal location;

- D. The location of any archeological sites identified in the archeological survey;
 - E. The location and nature of any other surface conditions which prevent the use of an orthodox location.
- VI. If archeological sites are a reason for the unorthodox location request, a copy of the archeological survey, or a summary, identifying sites which cannot be disturbed or which must have any disturbance mitigated. In addition, the location of such areas should be marked on the enlarged topo so they can be clearly identified.
- VII. A narrative report of any on-site inspection of the potential locations. If such on-site has resulted in elimination of legal locations due to surface conditions, such information should also be noted on the enlarged topo.
- VIII. A statement of why directional drilling to reach a legal bottom-hole location is not feasible.
- IX. An affidavit that notice has been sent to all parties entitled thereto, under the Divisions Rules and Regulations with return receipt cards showing date of receipt of notice.

ockets Nos. 11-90 and 12-90 are tentatively set for April 18, 1990 and May 2, 1990. Applications for hearing must be filed at least 22 days in advance of hearing date.

**DOCKET: EXAMINER HEARING - WEDNESDAY - APRIL 4, 1990
8:15 A.M. - OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION CONFERENCE ROOM,
STATE LAND OFFICE BUILDING
SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO**

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

- ALLOWABLE:**
- (1) Consideration of the allowable production of gas for May, 1990, from fourteen prorated gas pools in Lea, Eddy, and Chaves Counties, New Mexico.
 - (2) Consideration of the allowable production of gas for May, 1990, from four prorated gas pools in San Juan, Rio Arriba, and Sandoval Counties, New Mexico.

CASE 9899: Application of BTA Oil Producers for an unorthodox gas well location, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for an unorthodox gas well location 330 feet from the North and East lines (Unit A) of Section 20, Township 22 South, Range 23 East, to test the Undesignated Indian Basin-Upper Pennsylvanian Gas Pool, all of said Section 20 to be dedicated to said well forming a standard 640-acre gas spacing and proration unit for the pool. Said well location is approximately 6.25 miles south-southwest of the Marathon Oil Company Indian Basin Gas Plant.

CASE 9900: Application of Santa Fe Energy Operating Partners, L.P. for an unorthodox gas well location, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for an unorthodox gas well location 660 feet from the North and East lines (Unit A) of Section 10, Township 20 South, Range 24 East, to test the Undesignated Cemetery-Morrow Gas Pool, the E/2 of said Section 10 to be dedicated to said well forming a standard 320-acre gas spacing and proration unit for said pool. The proposed well site is located approximately 8 miles north of Marathon Oil Company's Indian Basin Gas Plant.

CASE 9888: (Continued from March 21, 1990, Examiner Hearing.)

Application of Conoco Inc. for compulsory pooling, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests in the North Dagger Draw-Upper Pennsylvanian Pool underlying the SE/4 of Section 36, Township 19 South, Range 24 East, forming a standard 160-acre oil spacing and proration unit for said pool, to be dedicated to its existing Dee State Well No. 1 located at a standard oil well location 1980 feet from the South and East lines (Unit J) of said Section 36 (said well is presently completed in the Cemetery-Morrow Gas Pool). Also to be considered will be the cost of re-entering, recompleting, equipping and operating 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 re-entering and recompleting said well. Said unit is located approximately 13 miles west by north of Seven Rivers, New Mexico.

CASE 9893: (Continued from March 21, 1990, Examiner Hearing.)

Application of Pacific Enterprises Oil Company (USA) for compulsory pooling, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests in the Atoka and Morrow formations underlying the W/2 of Section 28, Township 18 South, Range 27 East, 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, which presently includes but is not necessarily limited to either the Undesignated Red Lake-Pennsylvanian Gas Pool or the Undesignated Red Lake Atoka-Morrow Gas Pool. Said unit is to be dedicated to its Trigg "28" Federal Well No. 1 to be drilled at a standard gas well location 2030 feet from the North line and 1980 feet from the West line (Unit F) of said Section 28. 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 4 miles west by north of Old Illinois Oil Camp.

CASE 9901: Application of Pacific Enterprises Oil Company (USA) for compulsory pooling, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests from the top of the Wolfcamp formation to the base of the Morrow formation underlying the W/2 of Section 21, Township 23 South, Range 26 East, 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, which presently includes but is not necessarily limited to the Undesignated Frontier Hills-Strawn Gas Pool, Undesignated North Black River-Atoka Gas Pool, and Undesignated South Carlsbad-Morrow Gas Pool, said unit to be dedicated to a well to be drilled at a standard gas well location in the NW/4 of said Section 21. 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 northeast by north of the Carlsbad Municipal Airport.

CASE 9881: (Continued from March 21, 1990, Examiner Hearing.)

Application of Richmond Petroleum, Inc. for unorthodox coal gas well location, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for an unorthodox coal gas well location for its Federal 31-4-32 Well No. 2 to be drilled 617 feet from the South line and 1939 feet from the West line (Unit M) of Section 32, Township 31 North, Range 4 West, Basin-Fruitland Coal Gas Pool, the W/2 of said Section 32 to be dedicated to said well to form a standard 320-acre gas spacing and proration unit for said pool. Said unit is located approximately 10 miles south of Mile Corner No. 233 located on the New Mexico/Colorado State line.

CASE 9894: (Continued from March 21, 1990, Examiner Hearing.)

Application of Richmond Petroleum, Inc. for compulsory pooling, unorthodox coal gas well location, and a non-standard gas spacing and proration unit, San Juan and Rio Arriba Counties, 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 through 4 and the S/2 N/2 of Irregular Section 11, Township 32 North, Range 6 West, forming a non-standard 232.80-acre gas spacing and proration unit for said pool, said unit to be dedicated to a well to be drilled at a non-standard coal gas well location 1130 feet from the North line and 760 feet from the West line (Unit E) of said Section 11. 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 bounded to the north by the State of Colorado for one-half mile of either side of Astronomical Monument No. 8 located on the Colorado/New Mexico stateline.

CASE 9895: (Continued from March 21, 1990, Examiner Hearing.)

Application of Richmond Petroleum, Inc. for compulsory pooling and an unorthodox coal gas well location, San Juan and Rio Arriba Counties, 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 Irregular Section 11, 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 non-standard coal gas well location 1800 feet from the South line and 230 feet from the West line (Unit L) of said Section 11. 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 1/2 mile south of Astronomical Monument No. 8 located on the Colorado/New Mexico stateline.

CASE 9902: Application of Hanson Operating Company for salt water disposal, Chaves County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks authority to dispose of produced salt water into the Diablo-San Andres Pool in the perforated interval from approximately 2034 feet to 2082 feet in its Hantlad "A" State Battery No. 1 Well No. 1 located 1650 feet from the South line and 330 feet from the East line (Unit I) of Section 28, Township 10 South, Range 27 East. Said well is located approximately 3/4 of a mile south-southwest of Mile Market No. 175 on U.S. Highway 380.

CASE 9882: (Continued from March 21, 1990, Examiner Hearing.)

Application of Controlled Recovery, Inc. for an oil treating plant permit, for surface waste disposal and an exception to Order No. R-3221, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks authority for construction and operation of the surface waste disposal facility and an oil treating plant for the purpose of treating and reclaiming sediment oil and for the collection, disposal, evaporation or storage of produced water, drilling fluids, drill cuttings, completion fluids and other oil field related waste in unlined surface pits, at a site in the S/2 N/2 and the N/2 S/2 of Section 27, Township 20 South, Range 32 East. This site is located on either side of U.S. Highway 62/180 at Mile Marker No. 66.

CASE 9903: 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 authority to drill its proposed Gazelle "AHG" Federal Com. Well No. 1 at a surface location 1312 feet from the North line and 1844 feet from the West line (Unit C) of Section 15, Township 20 South, Range 29 East, wherein the applicant proposes to deviate said well to within 50 feet of the following targeted locations;

1. On the Strawn formation - 1980 feet from the South and East lines (Unit J) of said Section 15; wherein either the S/2 (320-acre unit) will be dedicated to the wellbore if the completed interval is determined to be within the East Burton Flat-Strawn Gas Pool or the NW/4 SE/4 (40-acre unit) would be dedicated if it is determined to be within the South Parkway-Strawn Pool; and,
2. In the Morrow formation - 1472 feet from the South line and 1540 feet from the East line (Unit J) of said Section 15 (which is an unorthodox gas well location), said well to be dedicated to the S/2 of said Section 15 forming a standard 320-acre gas spacing and proration unit for the Undesignated East Burton-Flat Morrow Gas Pool. Said well location is approximately 4 miles northwest of the junction of US Highway 62/180 and New Mexico State Highway 31.

CASE 9904: Application of Nassau Resources, Inc. for unorthodox coal gas well location, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for an unorthodox coal gas well location 470 feet from the South line and 1190 feet from the East line (Unit P) of Irregular Section 12, Township 32 North, Range 4 West, to test the Basin-Fruitland Coal Gas Pool, all of said Section 12 to be dedicated to said well forming a 266.55-acre gas spacing and proration unit for said pool. Said drilling tract is located within the Carson National Forest and is bounded to the north by the State of Colorado at Mile Corner No. 229.

CASE 9905: Application of Nassau Resources, Inc. for unorthodox coal gas well location, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for an unorthodox coal gas well location for its Carracas Unit "25-B" Well No. 3 to be drilled 920 feet from the North line and 1850 feet from the West line (Unit C) of Section 25, Township 32 North, Range 4 West, to test the Basin-Fruitland Coal Gas Pool, the N/2 of said Section 25 to be dedicated to said well forming a standard 320-acre gas spacing and proration unit for said pool. Said drilling tract is located on the Carson National Forest approximately 3 miles south of Mile Corner No. 229 located on the Colorado/New Mexico stateline.

CASE 9897: (Continued from March 21, 1990, Examiner Hearing.)

Application of Siete Oil & Gas Corporation for a waterflood project, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks authority to institute a waterflood project on its Sackett Federal Lease underlying the S/2 SW/4 and SW/4 SE/4 of Section 29, Township 17 South, Range 29 East, by the injection of water into the Grayburg Jackson Pool through the perforated interval from approximately 2300 feet to 3220 feet in its Sackett Federal Well No. 2 located 660 feet from the South line and 1650 feet from the West line (Unit N) of said Section 29. Said well is located approximately 7 miles west by south of Loco Hills, New Mexico.

CASE 9878: (Continued from March 21, 1990, Examiner Hearing.)

Application of Chevron USA Inc. for a non-standard gas proration unit and simultaneous dedication, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for a 160-acre non-standard gas proration unit comprising the W/2 NE/4, SE/4 NE/4, and SE/4 NW/4 of Section 8, Township 20 South, Range 37 East, Eumont Gas Pool. Said unit is to be simultaneously dedicated to the Bertie Whitmire Well Nos. 1 and 2 located at standard gas well locations 1980 feet from the North and East lines (Unit G) and 660 feet from the North line and 1980 feet from the East line (Unit B) of said Section 8, respectively. Said area is located approximately 2.25 miles south of Monument, New Mexico.

CASE 9885: (Continued from March 21, 1990, Examiner Hearing.)

Application of Doyle Hartman for compulsory pooling, a non-standard gas proration unit and simultaneous dedication, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests in the Eumont Gas Pool underlying either the SE/4 SW/4 of Section 5 and the E/2 W/2 of Section 8, Township 20 South, Range 37 East, forming a non-standard 200-acre gas spacing and proration unit for said pool, or IN THE ALTERNATIVE, the SE/4 SW/4 of said Section 5 and the N/2 NE/4 and NE/4 NW/4 of said Section 8, forming a non-standard 160-acre gas spacing and proration unit for said pool. In either instance the applicant proposes to dedicate all production from the Eumont Gas Pool to the existing Britt "B-8" Well No. 1 located 660 feet from the North line and 1980 feet from the West line (Unit C) of said Section 8 and to a second well to be drilled at a standard gas well location within the applicable non-standard unit. Applicant further seeks to be designated operator of the non-standard gas proration unit so created and be entitled to recover out of the production therefrom its cost of drilling, completing and equipping a new infill well, plus a 200% risk factor for drilling, completing and equipping such infill well, plus an equitable and proper percentage of the value of the existing wellbore of said Britt "B-8" Well No. 1, and all costs of supervision and operation of such unit, and that such order also provide for any other relief which may be deemed equitable and proper. The subject area is located approximately 2.25 miles south of Monument, New Mexico.

CASE 9898: (Continued from March 21, 1990, Examiner Hearing.)

Application of Doyle Hartman for compulsory pooling, a non-standard gas proration unit and simultaneous dedication, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests in the Eumont Gas Pool underlying the SE/4 SW/4 and SE/4 of Section 5 and the NE/4 NE/4 and NE/4 NW/4 of Section 8, all in Township 20 South, Range 37 East, forming a non-standard 280-acre gas spacing and proration unit for said pool. The applicant proposes to dedicate all production from the Eumont Gas Pool to the existing Britt-Laughlin Com. Well No. 5 (formerly the Oxy USA, Inc. Laughlin "B" Well No. 5) located 330 feet from the South line and 2310 feet from the East line (Unit O) of said Section 5 and to the existing Britt-Laughlin Com. Well No. 1 (formerly the Britt "B-8" Well No. 1) located 660 feet from the North line and 1980 feet from the West line (Unit C) of said Section 8 and to a third well to be drilled at an undetermined location in the SE/4 of said Section 5. Applicant further seeks to be designated operator of the non-standard gas proration unit so created and be entitled to recover out of the production therefrom his costs of drilling, completing and equipping a new infill well, plus a 200% risk factor for drilling, completing and equipping such new infill well, and an equitable and proper percentage of the value of the existing wellbores of applicant's Britt-Laughlin Com. Well Nos. 1 and 5, and all costs of supervision and operation of such non-standard gas proration unit, and that such order also provide for any other relief which may be deemed equitable and proper. The subject area is located approximately 2.25 miles south of Monument, New Mexico.

CASE 9906: In the matter of the hearing called by the Oil Conservation Division on its own motion for an order creating and extending certain pools in Lea County, New Mexico.

- a. CREATE a new pool in Lea County, New Mexico, classified as an oil pool for Yeso production and designated as the Humble City-Yeso Pool. The discovery well is the Yates Petroleum Corporation Humble City ADH Well No. 1 located in Unit O of Section 11, Township 17 South, Range 37 East, NMPM. Said pool would comprise:

TOWNSHIP 17 SOUTH, RANGE 37 EAST, NMPM
Section 11: SE/4

- b. EXTEND the South Corbin-Bone Spring Pool in Lea County, New Mexico, to include therein:

TOWNSHIP 18 SOUTH, RANGE 33 EAST, NMPM
Section 29: W/2
Section 32: NW/4

- c. EXTEND the West Corbin-Delaware Pool in Lea County, New Mexico, to include therein:

TOWNSHIP 18 SOUTH, RANGE 32 EAST, NMPM
Section 13: NE/4

- d. EXTEND the Denton-Pennsylvanian Pool in Lea County, New Mexico, to include therein:

TOWNSHIP 14 SOUTH, RANGE 37 EAST, NMPM
Section 25: NW/4

e. EXTEND the South Flying M-Abo Pool in Lea County, New Mexico, to include therein:

TOWNSHIP 9 SOUTH, RANGE 32 EAST, NMPM
Section 14: SE/4

f. EXTEND the Flying M-Pennsylvanian Pool in Lea County, New Mexico, to include therein:

TOWNSHIP 9 SOUTH, RANGE 33 EAST, NMPM
Section 4: SW/4
Section 5: SE/4
Section 9: NW/4

g. EXTEND the Gem-Bone Spring Pool in Lea County, New Mexico, to include therein:

TOWNSHIP 9 SOUTH, RANGE 33 EAST, NMPM
Section 31: SE/4
Section 32: S/2

h. EXTEND the Hat Mesa-Delaware Pool in Lea County, New Mexico, to include therein:

TOWNSHIP 21 SOUTH, RANGE 32 EAST, NMPM
Section 4: Lots 1, 2, 7 and 8

i. EXTEND the King-Wolfcamp Pool in Lea County, New Mexico, to include therein:

TOWNSHIP 14 SOUTH, RANGE 37 EAST, NMPM
Section 1: W/2

j. EXTEND the Lane-Abo Pool in Lea County, New Mexico, to include therein:

TOWNSHIP 9 SOUTH, RANGE 33 EAST, NMPM
Section 26: SE/4

k. EXTEND the Quail Ridge-Morrow Gas Pool in Lea County, New Mexico, to include therein:

TOWNSHIP 20 SOUTH, RANGE 34 EAST, NMPM
Section 6: N/2

l. EXTEND the Skaggs-Abo Gas Pool in Lea County, New Mexico, to include therein:

TOWNSHIP 20 SOUTH, RANGE 37 EAST, NMPM
Section 15: S/2

m. EXTEND the Wantz-Abo Pool in Lea County, New Mexico, to include therein:

TOWNSHIP 22 SOUTH, RANGE 37 EAST, NMPM
Section 22: N/2
Section 23: NW/4

n. EXTEND the Young-Wolfcamp Pool in Lea County, New Mexico, to include therein:

TOWNSHIP 18 SOUTH, RANGE 32 EAST, NMPM
Section 16: NE/4

NOTICE NOTICE NOTICE

COMMENTS IN CASE 9018 SCHEDULED TO BE HEARD BEFORE THE OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION ON MAY 24, 1990, WILL BE ACCEPTED BY THE COMMISSION UNTIL THE TIME OF THE HEARING. TESTIMONY AND ORAL OR WRITTEN COMMENTS MAY BE PRESENTED AT THE HEARING. SAID CASE 9018 CONCERNS THE AMENDMENT OF RULE 11(b) OF ORDER NO. R-8170-A RELATING TO OVERPRODUCTION LIMITS.