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Case 8991

REPLY TO SANTA FE OFFICE

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Re: Amerind Oil Company Application for an Unorthodox Well Location, West Kccasey Strawn Pool

Dear Dick:

Enclosed is an application for an unorthodox well location for Amerind Oil Company. I would appreciate your setting this matter for hearing on the next available hearing examiner docket. I understand the next available docket for this application, which has been previously telephoned to the Division, is September 17, 1986.

Thank you for your help with this matter.

Sincerely,

W. Perry Pearce

WPP:dml 9738-86-02

cc: Robert C. Leibrock

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OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION SANTA FE



STATE OF NEW MEXICO DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY & MINERALS OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF AMERIND OIL COMPANY FOR APPROVAL OF AN UNORTHODOX WELL LOCATION WEST CASEY STRAWN POOL, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

Case: 899/

APPLICATION

COMES NOW AMERIND OIL COMPANY, by and through its attorneys, Montgomery & Andrews, P.A., and applies to the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division for approval of an unorthodox well location 1750 feet FWL and 1150 FSL, Section 33, Township 16S, Range 37E, West Casey Strawn Pool, Lea County, New Mexico and in support thereof would show:

- 1. Applicant is the operator of the east half southwest quarter of Section 33, Township 16S, Range 37E, Lea County, New Mexico, and proposes to dedicate that acreage to a well to be drilled in an unorthodox location 1750 FWL and 1150 FSL in this tract for production from the West Casey Strawn Pool.
- 2. That Rule 4 of the Special Rules and Regulations for the West Casey Strawn Pool require wells to be located within 150 feet of the center of a governmental quarter quarter section and Rule 2 of those Special Rules and Regulations provide that each well drilled into said pool shall be located on a standard unit containing 80 acres.

- 3. That applicant seeks an exception to the well location requirements of Rule 4 so that it can locate the subject well at the optimum geologic location from which to develop the east half southwest quarter of said section.
- 4. That the unorthodox location reduces the risk that would otherwise occur at a standard location.
- 5. That approval of the requested location provides the applicant with the opportunity to test the West Casey Strawn Pool at the best location thereby increasing the opportunity to recover any oil that may be located within said east half of the southwest quarter of said section.

WHEREFORE, applicant requests that after notice and hearing, the application be granted as requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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