

Dockets Nos. 30-88 and 31-88 are tentatively set for October 12 and October 16, 1988. Applications for hearing must be filed at least 22 days in advance of hearing date.

DOCKET: EXAMINER HEARING - WEDNESDAY - SEPTEMBER 28, 1988

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, Alternate Examiner:

CASE 9413: (Continued from August 17, 1988, Examiner Hearing.)

Application of Yates Petroleum Company for special pool rules, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks the promulgation of temporary special pool rules for the Avalon-Delaware Pool located in portions of Township 20 South, Ranges 27 and 28 East, including a provision to increase the gas-oil ratio limitation to 5,000 cubic feet of gas per barrel of oil. Said area is located approximately 9 miles north of Carlsbad, New Mexico.

CASE 9487: Application of TXO Producing Company for compulsory pooling, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests in the Strawn and Atoka formations underlying either the SW/4 SW/4 (Unit M) of Section 2, Township 17 South, Range 38 East, to form a standard 40-acre oil spacing and proration unit for said zones and/or the W/2 SW/4 of said Section 2 to form a standard 80-acre oil spacing and proration unit for said zones (subject to the adoption of Special Pool Rules). Said unit(s) are to be dedicated to either well covered in Division Case 9470. Also to be considered will be the costs of drilling (or re-entering) and completing the 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 directional drilling or in drilling the well. The proposed units are located approximately 6.75 miles south of the old Hobbs Army Air Forces Auxiliary Airfield No. 1.

CASE 9456: (Continued from August 31, 1988, Examiner Hearing.)

Application of Foy and Middlebrook for an unorthodox gas well location, dual completion, and salt water disposal, Chaves County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks authority to dually complete its Culp Ranch Unit Well No. 2 located 330 feet from the North line and 990 feet from the West line (Unit D) of Section 11, Township 12 South, Range 30 East, by disposing of produced salt water down through tubing into the Graham Springs-Devonian Pool in the open hole interval from 10,370 feet to 10,393 feet and producing gas from the Morrow formation up the casing/tubing annulus in said well, which is at an unorthodox gas well location, the N/2 of said Section 11 to be dedicated to said well forming a standard 320-acre gas spacing and proration unit. Said well is located approximately 12.75 miles S 60° W of Caprock, New Mexico.

CASE 9488: Application of BHP Petroleum Company for compulsory pooling, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests from the base of the Pictured Cliffs formation to the base of the Dakota formation or to a depth of 8100 feet, whichever is deeper, underlying Section 28, Township 24 North, Range 1 West, forming a 640-acre spacing and proration unit for the West Puerto Chiquito Mancos-Oil Pool or other pools having 640-acre spacing; the E/2 of said section for pools having 320-acre spacing, or the SW/4 NE/4 of said section for pools having 40-acre spacing. Said unit is to be dedicated to a well to be drilled at a standard location in said Section 34. 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 units are located approximately 6 1/2 miles north of Regina, New Mexico.

CASE 9480: (Continued from September 14, 1988, Examiner Hearing.)

Application of Santa Fe Energy Operating Partners, L.P., 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 Wolfcamp formation underlying the W/2 of Section 11, Township 22 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 (which only includes the Undesignated East Carlsbad-Wolfcamp Gas Pool at this time). Said unit is 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 3/4 mile east of the Carlsbad Municipal Sewage Disposal Plant.

CASE 9489: Application of Blackwood & Nichols Co., Ltd. for salt water disposal, San Juan County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks authority to dispose of produced salt water into the Nacimiento formation in the perforated interval from approximately 1798 feet to 2250 feet in its Northeast Blanco Unit Well No. 206 located 790 feet from the South line and 1190 feet from the West line (Unit M) of Section 10, Township 31 North, Range 7 West, which is located approximately 8 miles north-northeast of Navajo dam, New Mexico.

CASE 9468: (Continued from August 31, 1988, Examiner Hearing.)

Application of Nearburg Producing Company for an unorthodox oil well location, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the the above-styled cause, seeks approval for an unorthodox oil well location 400 feet from the North line and 2240 feet from the East line (Unit B) of Section 30, Township 16 South, Range 37 East, to test the Strawn formation, Northeast Lovington-Pennsylvanian Pool, the N/2 NE/4 of said Section 30 to be dedicated to said well forming a standard 80-acre oil spacing and proration unit for said formation. Said location is approximately 4.5 miles southeast of Lovington, New Mexico.

CASE 9490: Application of Texaco Producing Inc. for compulsory pooling, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests in any and all formations to the base of the Strawn formation underlying the E/2 of Section 17, Township 25 South, Range 36 East, forming a standard 320-acre spacing and proration unit for any and all formations developed on 320-acre spacing. Said unit is to be dedicated to its West Jal B Deep Well No. 1 located at a standard location 1980 feet from the North line and 660 feet from the East line 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 5 1/2 miles west by north of Jal, New Mexico.

CASE 9472: (Continued from September 14, 1988, Examiner Hearing.)

Application of Terra Resources, Inc. 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 top of the Wolfcamp to either the base of the Morrow formation or to a depth of 9300 feet, whichever is deeper, (which includes but is not necessarily limited to the Undesignated Dayton-Wolfcamp Gas Pool, Undesignated Boyd-Morrow Gas Pool, and Undesignated Atoka-Pennsylvanian Gas Pool) underlying Lots 1 through 4 and the E/2 W/2 of Section 31, Township 18 South, Range 26 East, forming a standard 316-acre, more or less, gas spacing and proration unit, to be dedicated to a well to be drilled 1980 feet from the North line and 1617 feet from the West line (Unit F) of said Section 31, which is unorthodox for the Atoka-Pennsylvanian Gas Pool Rules. 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 6 miles northwest by north of Lakewood, New Mexico.

CASE 9491: Application of Foran Oil Company for simultaneous dedication, Chaves County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks to simultaneously dedicate a standard 320-acre gas spacing and proration unit in the Diamond Mound Atoka-Morrow Gas Pool consisting of the W/2 of Section 36, Township 15 South, Range 27 East, to the existing State "ET" Well No. 1 located at a standard gas well location 990 feet from the North line and 1650 feet from the West line (Unit C) of said Section 36 and to a second well to be drilled at a standard gas well location in the SW/4 of said Section 36. Said unit is located approximately 14 miles east-northeast of Artesia, New Mexico.

CASE 9475: (Continued from August 31, 1988, Examiner Hearing.)

Application of Meridian Oil, Inc. for compulsory pooling, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests in the Undesignated Gavilan-Mancos Oil Pool underlying all of Section 2, Township 26 North, Range 2 West, to form a 638.28-acre, more or less, standard oil spacing and proration unit for said pool, to be dedicated to a well to be drilled at a standard oil well location in Lot 3 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 unit is located approximately 14 miles north of Lindrith, New Mexico.

CASE 9476: (Continued from August 31, 1988, Examiner Hearing.)

Application of Meridian Oil, Inc. for compulsory pooling, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests in the Undesignated Gavilan-Mancos Oil Pool underlying all of Section 3, Township 26 North, Range 2 West, to form a 636.80-acre, more or less, standard oil spacing and proration unit for said pool, to be dedicated to a well to be drilled at a standard oil well location in the SW/4 NW/4 (Unit E) of said Section 3. 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 14 miles north of Lindrith, New Mexico.