

Dockets Nos. 46-84 and 1-85 are tentatively set for December 19, 1984 and January 3, 1985. Applications for hearing must be filed at least 22 days in advance of hearing date.

DOCKET: EXAMINER HEARING - WEDNESDAY - NOVEMBER 28, 1984

8:00 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 Gilbert P. Quintana, Alternate Examiner:

CASE 8387: (Continued from October 31, 1984, Examiner Hearing)

Application of Inexco Oil Company for a unit agreement, Chaves County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval of the Arroyo Del Macho Unit Area comprising 25,214.78 acres, more or less, of State, Federal and Fee lands in Townships 4, 5, and 6 South, Ranges 21 and 22 East.

CASE 8388: (Continued from October 31, 1984, Examiner Hearing)

Application of Inexco Oil Company for a unit agreement, Chaves County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval of the Five Mile Draw Unit Area comprising 6,457.74 acres, more or less, of State, Federal and Fee lands in Townships 4, 6, and 7 South, Ranges 23 and 24 East.

CASE 8389: (Continued from October 31, 1984, Examiner Hearing)

Application of Inexco Oil Company for a unit agreement, Chaves County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval of the Huggins Draw Unit Area comprising 29,351.91 acres, more or less, of State, Federal and Fee lands in Townships 4 and 5 South, Ranges 22, 23, and 24 East.

CASE 8410: Application of Inexco Oil Company for a unit agreement, Chaves County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval of the Madewell Anticline Unit Area comprising 39,278.45 acres, more or less, of State, Federal and Fee lands in Townships 12, 13, and 14 South, Ranges 21 and 22 East.

CASE 8411: Application of GGC, Inc. for an oil treating plant permit, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks authority for the construction and operation of an oil treating plant for the purpose of treating and reclaiming sediment oil at a site in Section 29, Township 9 South, Range 33 East.

CASE 8412: Application of Chama Petroleum Company for compulsory pooling, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests in the Pennsylvanian formation underlying the W/2 of Section 15, Township 19 South, Range 25 East, to be dedicated to a well to be drilled at a standard 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.

CASE 8413: *(Continued and Readvertised)*  
Application of Union Texas Petroleum for exemption from the New Mexico Natural Gas Pricing Act, (NMPA). Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks the exemption from the NMPA of certain infill wells in the Basin-Dakota, Tapacito-Pictured Cliffs, Blanco Mesaverde, Ballard-Pictured Cliffs, Fulcher Kutz-Pictured Cliffs, and Aztec-Pictured Cliffs Pools of Northwest New Mexico as provided in Section 62-7-5 NMSA, 1978. To be considered will be the granting of these exemptions from the date of the filing of the application. A list of wells for which exemptions are being sought may be obtained by contacting the Oil Conservation Division's Santa Fe office.

CASE 8408: (Continued from November 14, 1984, Examiner Hearing)

Application of Union Texas Petroleum Corporation for approval of infill drilling, San Juan County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks a finding that the Culpepper-Martin Well No. 1E located in the SE/4 SE/4 of Section 31, Township 32 North, Range 12 West, is necessary to effectively and efficiently drain that portion of an existing proration unit in the Blanco Mesaverde Pool which cannot be so drained by the two existing wells on the unit.

CASE 8390: (Continued from November 14, 1984, 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 top of the Wolfcamp formation through the base of the Morrow formation underlying the E/2 of Section 11, Township 19 South, Range 23 East, to be dedicated to a well to be drilled at a standard 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.

CASE 8414: Application of Harvey E. Yates Company for salt water disposal, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks authority to dispose of produced salt water into the Delaware formation in the perforated intervals from 3285 feet to 3308 feet in its Stebbins Deep Federal Well No. 4 located in the NE/4 NE/4 of Section 30, Township 20 South, Range 29 East.

CASE 8415: Application of Conoco Inc. for compulsory pooling, a non-standard proration unit and an unorthodox gas well location, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests in the Abo formation underlying the N/2 N/2 of Section 12, Township 20 South, Range 37 East, to be dedicated to a well drilled at an unorthodox location 990 feet from the North line and 1980 feet from the East line of said Section 12. Applicant further seeks approval of a 160-acre non-standard gas proration unit comprising the N/2 N/2 of said Section 12. 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.

CASE 8416: Application of Phillips Oil Company for an unorthodox oil well location, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval of an unorthodox well location 1300 feet from the North line and 1500 feet from the East line of Section 24, Township 17 South, Range 29 East, Grayburg-Jackson Pool.

CASE 8417: Application of Phillips Oil Company for an unorthodox well location, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval of an unorthodox well location 330 feet from the North line and 2580 feet from the West line of Section 23, Township 17 South, Range 29 East, Grayburg-Jackson Pool.

CASE 8418: Application of Phillips Oil Company for a waterflood project, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks authority to institute a waterflood project by the injection of water into certain wells on its Keely A Federal, Keely B Federal, Keely C Federal, Burch BB Federal, Burch C Federal, and Dexter Federal leases, Grayburg-Jackson Pool, in portions of Sections 23, 24, 25 and 26 of Township 17 South, Range 29 East, and portions of Sections 19, 24, and 30, Township 17 South, Range 30 East. Applicant further seeks an administrative approval procedure for waterflood expansion and unorthodox locations.

CASE 8406: (Continued and Readvertised)

Application of Greenwood Resources, Inc. for compulsory pooling and an unorthodox well location, San Juan County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests from the surface to the base of the Lower Gallup formation for any formation or pool with 80-acre spacing underlying the N/2 NE/4 of Section 18, Township 29 North, Range 14 West, to be dedicated to a well to be drilled at an unorthodox location 990 feet from the North line and 360 feet from the East line of said Section 18. 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.

CASE 8419: Application of TXO Production 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 Strawn formation for any formation or pool on 160-acre spacing underlying the SW/4 of Section 12, Township 16 South, Range 35 East, to be dedicated to a well to be drilled at a standard 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.

Dockets Nos. 19-89 and 20-89 are tentatively set for June 21 and July 12, 1989. Applications for hearing must be filed at least 22 days in advance of hearing date.

**DOCKET: EXAMINER HEARING - WEDNESDAY - JUNE 7, 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 July, 1989, from fourteen prorated gas pools in Lea, Eddy, and Chaves Counties, New Mexico.
  - (2) Consideration of the allowable production of gas for July, 1989, from four prorated gas pools in San Juan, Rio Arriba, and Sandoval Counties, New Mexico.

**CASE 8413: (Continued and Readvertised.)**

Application of Union Texas Petroleum for exemption from the New Mexico Natural Gas Pricing Act, (NMPA). Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks the exemption from the NMPA of certain infill wells in the Basin-Dakota, Tapacito-Pictured Cliffs, Blanco-Mesaverde, Ballard-Pictured Cliffs, Fulcher Kutz-Pictured Cliffs, and Aztec-Pictured Cliffs Pools of Northwest New Mexico as provided in Section 62-7-5 NMSA, 1978. To be considered will be the granting of these exemptions from the date of the filing of the application. A list of wells for which exemptions are being sought may be obtained by contacting the Oil Conservation Division's Santa Fe office.

**CASE 9123: (Continued and Readvertised.)**

Application of Curtis J. Little for a non-standard gas proration unit and for an exception to Rule 5(a)2(2) of Division Order No. R-8170, as amended, San Juan County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for a 160-acre non-standard gas spacing and proration unit comprising the SE/4 of Section 14, Township 27 North, Range 13 West, Basin-Dakota Pool, to be dedicated to the applicant's Fairfield Well No. 1-E, located 1850 feet from the South line and 800 feet from the East line (Unit I) of said Section 14. Applicant further seeks an exception to Rule 5(a)2(2) of the General Rules for the Prorated Gas Pools of New Mexico as promulgated by Division Order No. R-8170, as amended, permitting the application of a full deliverability factor in the formula utilized in determining the allowable for said non-standard gas proration unit. Said well is located approximately 10.7 miles south by east of Farmington, New Mexico.

**CASE 9124: (Continued and Readvertised.)**

Application of Rocanville Corporation for a non-standard gas proration unit and for an exception to Rule 5(a)2(2) of Division Order No. R-8170, as amended, San Juan County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for a 160-acre non-standard gas spacing and proration unit comprising the NE/4 of Section 14, Township 27 North, Range 13 West, Basin-Dakota Pool, to be dedicated to the applicant's Fairfield Well No. 1, located 1100 feet from the North line and 990 feet from the East line (Unit A) of said Section 14. Applicant further seeks an exception to Rule 5(a)2(2) of the General Rules for the Prorated Gas Pools of New Mexico as promulgated by Division Order No. R-8170, as amended, permitting the application of a full deliverability factor in the formula utilized in determining the allowable for said non-standard gas proration unit. Said well is located approximately 10.3 miles south by east of Farmington, New Mexico.

**CASE 9675: (Continued from the May 24, 1989, Examiner Hearing.)**

Application of Yates Petroleum 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 20, Township 6 South, Range 25 East, forming a standard 160-acre gas spacing and proration unit for any and all formations and/or pools within said vertical extent developed on 160-acre spacing (which includes but is not necessarily limited to the Pecos Slope-Abo Gas Pool) and the NE/4 NW/4 of said Section 20 to form a standard 40-acre oil spacing and proration unit for all formations and/or pools developed on statewide 40-acre spacing. 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 20. Also to be considered will be the cost of drilling and completing said well and the allocation of 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 8.5 miles east of Milepost No. 137 of U.S. Highway 285.

Examiner Hearing - Wednesday - June 7, 1989

CASE 9685: Application of McClellan Oil 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 330 feet from the North and East lines (Unit A) of Section 35, Township 9 South, Range 25 East, South Pecos Slope-Abo Gas Pool, the NE/4 of said Section 35 to be dedicated to the well forming a standard 160-acre gas spacing and proration unit for said pool. Said location is approximately 6.75 miles north by west of the junction of U.S. Highway 380 and New Mexico 409.

CASE 9663: (Continued from May 10, 1989, Examiner Hearing.) (This case will be continued to June 21, 1989.)

Application of The Petroleum Corporation of Delaware for downhole commingling, the amendment of Division Order No. R-7269, and the amendment of Division Administrative Order NSP-1290, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, and as operator of the Superior Federal Well No. 6 located 660 feet from the South line and 1980 feet from the West line (Unit N) of Section 6, Township 20 South, Range 29 East, seeks to downhole commingle production from the Undesignated East Burton Flat-Atoka Gas Pool and the East Burton Flat-Morrow Gas Pool. Applicant also seeks to permit such commingled production to be produced through tubing and the production of gas from the East Burton Flat-Strawn Gas Pool through the casing-tubing annulus of said well and that Division Order No. R-7269 be amended accordingly. Applicant further seeks to amend Division Administrative Order No. NSP-1290, dated April 28, 1982; which authorized a 299.84-acre, more or less, gas spacing and proration unit for the East Burton Flat-Strawn Gas Pool comprising Lots 6 and 7, the E/2 SW/4, and the SE/4 of said Section 6 for said well; to include both the Undesignated East Burton Flat-Atoka Gas Pool and the East Burton Flat-Morrow Gas Pool. Applicant also requests that any such order issued in this case be made effective retroactively to May 1987. Said well is located approximately 7.5 miles northwest of the junction of New Mexico Highway No. 31 North and U.S. Highway 62/180.

CASE 9686: Application of Enron Oil and Gas Company for compulsory pooling, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests in the Strawn and Atoka formations underlying the S/2 of Section 15, Township 24 South, Range 28 East, forming a standard 320-acre gas spacing and proration unit in the Strawn formation, Undesignated Malaga-Atoka Gas Pool, Undesignated West Malaga-Atoka Gas Pool, and Undesignated Willow Lake-Atoka Gas Pool, said unit to be dedicated to its proposed Willow Lake "15" Well No. 1 to be drilled at a standard gas well location 660 feet from the South line and 1980 feet from the East line (Unit O) 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 well location is approximately seven-eighths of a mile south of Malaga, New Mexico.

CASE 9639: (Continued from May 10, 1989, Examiner Hearing.)

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 (equivalent) of Section 23, Township 31 North, Range 10 West, forming a standard 313.78-acre gas spacing and proration unit for said pool, to be dedicated to its Atlantic "D" Com Well No. 205 to be drilled at a standard coal gas well location in the NW/4 of said Section 23. 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 9 miles northeast of Aztec, New Mexico.

CASE 9641: (Continued from May 10, 1989, Examiner Hearing.)

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 W/2 (equivalent) of Section 23, Township 31 North, Range 10 West, forming a standard 315.75-acre gas spacing and proration unit for said pool, to be dedicated to its Atlantic "B" Com Well No. 205 to be drilled at a standard coal gas well location in the SW/4 of said Section 23. 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 9 miles northeast of Aztec, New Mexico.

CASE 9682: (Continued from May 24, 1989, Examiner Hearing.)

Application of Kerr-McGee Corporation for statutory unitization, Chaves County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order unitizing, for the purpose of establishing a secondary recovery project, all mineral interests in the designated and Undesignated Chaveroo-San Andres Pool underlying 1280.37 acres, more or less, of State lands in all of Sections 1 and 2, Township 8 South, Range 33 East. Said unit is to be designated the K-M Chaveroo San Andres 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 the horizontal and vertical limits of the unit area; the determination of the fair, reasonable, and equitable allocation of the 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

Dockets Nos. 20-89 and 21-89 are tentatively set for July 12 and July 26, 1989. Applications for hearing must be filed at least 22 days in advance of hearing date.

**DOCKET: EXAMINER HEARING - WEDNESDAY - JUNE 21, 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 David R. Catanach, Examiner, or Michael E. Stogner, or Victor T. Lyon, Alternate Examiners:

**CASE 9688:** Application of Yates Petroleum Corporation for a unit agreement, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval of the Desana Unit Area comprising 1280 acres, more or less, of State and Federal lands in all or portions of Sections 8, 17, and 18, Township 18 South, Range 24 East. Said unit area is located approximately 8.5 miles east-southeast of Hope, New Mexico.

**CASE 9689:** Application of Yates Petroleum Corporation for a unit agreement, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval of the East Four Lakes State Unit Area comprising 12,178.27 acres, more or less, of State lands in portions of Townships 11 and 12 South, Ranges 34 and 35 East. Said unit area is located approximately 10 miles northwest of Tatum, New Mexico.

**CASE 9690:** Application of Yates Petroleum Corporation for a unit agreement, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval of the Drover State Unit Area comprising 4880.00 acres, more or less, of State lands in all or portions of Sections 8, 9, 16, 17, 18, 20, 21, 22, 27, and 28, Township 13 South, Range 32 East. Said unit area is located approximately 15 miles south of Caprock, New Mexico.

**CASE 9691:** Application of Yates Petroleum Corporation for a unit agreement, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval of the Splits State Unit Area comprising 2,549.36 acres, more or less, of State lands in Sections 13 and 24, Township 22 South, Range 34 East and Sections 19 and 30, Township 22 South, Range 35 East. Said unit area is located approximately 15.5 miles west-southwest of Eunice, New Mexico.

**CASE 9675:** (Continued from the June 7, 1989, Examiner Hearing.)

Application of Yates Petroleum 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 20, Township 6 South, Range 25 East, forming a standard 160-acre gas spacing and proration unit for any and all formations and/or pools within said vertical extent developed on 160-acre spacing (which includes but is not necessarily limited to the Pecos Slope-Abo Gas Pool) and the NE/4 NW/4 of said Section 20 to form a standard 40-acre oil spacing and proration unit for all formations and/or pools developed on statewide 40-acre spacing. 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 20. Also to be considered will be the cost of drilling and completing said well and the allocation of 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 8.5 miles east of Milepost No. 137 of U.S. Highway 285.

**CASE 8413:** (Continued from June 7, 1989, Examiner Hearing.)

Application of Union Texas Petroleum for exemption from the New Mexico Natural Gas Pricing Act. (NMPPA). Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks the exemption from the NMPPA of certain infill wells in the Basin-Dakota, Tapacito-Pictured Cliffs, Blanco-Mesaverde, Ballard-Pictured Cliffs, Fulcher Kutz-Pictured Cliffs, and Aztec-Pictured Cliffs Pools of Northwest New Mexico as provided in Section 62-7-5 NMSA, 1978. To be considered will be the granting of these exemptions from the date of the filing of the application. A list of wells for which exemptions are being sought may be obtained by contacting the Oil Conservation Division's Santa Fe office.

**CASE 9109:** (Continued from May 24, 1989, Examiner Hearing.)

In the matter of Case 9109 being reopened pursuant to the provisions of Division Orders Nos. R-6129-A and R-8446, whereby the Benson-Strawn Pool was redesignated as a gas pool and developed on statewide 320-acre gas spacing units, Eddy County. Operators in the subject pool may appear and show cause why the Benson-Strawn Gas Pool should not be redesignated as an oil pool and the special rules and regulations reinstated as promulgated by said Order No. R-6129-A.

**CASE 9663:** (Continued from June 7, 1989, Examiner Hearing.)

Application of The Petroleum Corporation of Delaware for downhole commingling, the amendment of Division Order No. R-7269, and the amendment of Division Administrative Order NSP-1290, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, and as operator of the Superior Federal Well No. 6 located 660 feet from the South line and 1980 feet from the West line (Unit N) of Section 6, Township 20 South, Range 29 East, seeks to downhole commingle production from the Undesignated East Burton Flat-Atoka Gas Pool and the East Burton Flat-Morrow Gas Pool. Applicant also seeks to permit such commingled production to be produced through tubing and the production of gas from the East Burton Flat-Strawn Gas Pool through the casing-tubing annulus of said well and that Division Order No. R-7269 be amended accordingly. Applicant

further seeks to amend Division Administrative Order No. NSP-1290, dated April 28, 1982; which authorized a 299.84-acre, more or less, gas spacing and proration unit for the East Burton Flat-Strawn Gas Pool comprising Lots 6 and 7, the E/2 SW/4, and the SE/4 of said Section 6 for said well; to include both the Undesignated East Burton Flat-Atoka Gas Pool and the East Burton Flat-Morrow Gas Pool. Applicant also requests that any such order issued in this case be made effective retroactively to May 1987. Said well is located approximately 7.5 miles northwest of the junction of New Mexico Highway No. 31 North and U.S. Highway 62/180.