## BEFORE THE

## OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

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NEW MEXICO DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY AND MINERALS

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case No. 9025

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF BENSON-MONTIN-GREER DRILLING CORP. FOR AN UNORTHODOX GAS WELL LOCATION, RIO ARRIBA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

## APPLICATION

BENSON-MONTIN-GREER DRILLING CORP., by and through its undersigned attorneys hereby makes application for an order for an unorthodox well location. In support thereof, Applicant states:

1. Applicant is the operator of the Niobrara member of the Mancos formation underlying the following lands::

Township 25 North, Range 1 West, N.M.P.M.

## Section 17.

Applicant proposes to drill its well at a point located 1200 feet from the North line and 300 feet from the West line of said Section 17.

- 2. The Applicant seeks an exception to the well location requirements of Rule 104-C-II(B) of the Oil Conversation Division to permit the drilling of its Canada Ojitos No. 35-D-17 well at the above mentioned unorthodox location to a depth sufficient to adequately test the Niobrara member of the Mancos formation.
- 3. A standard 640-acre gas proration unit comprising all of said Section 17 should be dedicated to such well.

4. Approval of this application will afford Applicant the opportunity to produce its just and equitable share of gas in the Niobrara member of the Mancos formation and will protect correlative rights.

WHEREFORE, Benson-Montin-Greer Drilling Corp. requests that this application be set for hearing before a duly appointed examiner of the Oil Convervation Division on November 5, 1986, that notice be given as required by law and the rule for the Division, that the Division enter its order granting the Applicant an exception to the provisions of Rule 104C IIB and dedicating all of said Section 17 to this well.

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