CASE 6137: AMOCO PRODUCTION CO. My FOR AN UNORTHODOX GAS WELL LOCATION, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

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MR. NUTTER: Mr. Buell?

MR. BUELL: Mr. Examiner, would you recognize me at this time for a motion with regard to Case 6137?

MR. NUTTER: Yes, sir.

MR. BUELL: If it please the Examiner, I represent Amoco Production Company, the applicant in this case and I would like to formally move that it be postponed to the March 22nd, 1978 Examiner Hearing.

MR. NUTTER: Case Number 6137 will be continued to the Examiner Hearing scheduled to be held at this same place at nine o'clock A.M., March 22nd, 1978.

MR. BUELL: Thank you, sir.

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MR. STAMETS: Call next case, Case 6137.

MS. TESCHENDORF: Application of Amoco Production 3 Company for an unorthodox gas well location, Lea County, New Mexico. The applicant requests this case to be continued until the April 5th Examiner Hearing.

MR. STAMETS: Case 6137 will be so continued.

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## BEFORE THE NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO APRIL 5, 1978

EXAMINER HEARING

IN THE MATTER OF:

Application of Amoco Production Company for an unorthodox gas well location, Lea County, New Mexico.

Case 6137

BEFORE: Daniel S. Nutter, Examiner.

TRANSCRIPT OF HEARING

APPEARANCES

For the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division:

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MR. NUTTER: We call next Case No. 6137.

MS. TESCHENDORF: Case 6137, Application of Amoco Production Company for an unorthodox gas well location, Lea County, New Mexico. The Applicant has requested that the case be dismissed.

MR. NUTTER: Case No. 6137 will be dismissed.

(WHEREUPON, Case 6137 was dismissed.)

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I, BLTTY J. LANPHERE, Court Reporter with offices in Santa Fe, New Mexico, do hereby certify that the foregoing transcript is a complete and accurate record of said proceedings as the same were recorded by me stenographically and reduced to typewritten transcript by me or under my supervision.

DATED at Santa Fe, New Mexico, this fourteenth day of April, 1978.

Betty J. Lamphere, Court Reporter

I do hereby certify that the foregoing is a complete record of the proceedings in the Examiner hearing of Case No. 1978.

New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission

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#### Amoco Production Company

500 Jefferson Building P.O. Box 3092 Houston, Texas 77001

J. M. Brown Division Engineering Manager

April 5, 1978

File: DBF-986.51NM-2101

Re:

Case No. 6137

Unorthodox Gas Well Location Section 8, T-19-S, R-33-E West Tonto (Penn) Gas Pool Lea County, New Mexico

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Mr. Daniel S. Nutter
New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission
State Land Office Building - 2nd Floor
Santa Fe, NM 87501

Dear Mr. Nutter:

Confirming Mr. G. T. Buell's telephone request of April 3, 1978, please dismiss Case No. 6137, set for April 5, 1978. Case No. 6137 was Amoco's request for an unorthodox gas well location in the West Tonto (Penn) Gas Pool, Lea County, New Mexico.

Yours very truly,

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### JERRY APODACA GOVERNOR

### STATE OF NEW MEXICO ENERGY AND MINERALS DEPARTMENT OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

NICK FRANKLIN SECRETARY April 11, 1978

POST OFFICE BOX 2088 STATE LAND OFFICE BUILDING SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO 87501 (505) 827-2434

Re:	CASE NO. 6137 ORDER NO. R-5702
Mr. Guy Buell, Attorney Amoco Production Company P. O. Box 3092 Houston, Texas 77001	Applicant:
	Amoco Production Company
Dear Sir:	
Enclosed herewith are two control Division order recently ent	opies of the above-referenced ered in the subject case.
Yours very truly,  JOE D. RAMEY  Director	
JDR/fd	
Copy of order also sent to:	
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#### STATE OF NEW MEXICO ENERGY AND MINERALS DEPARTMENT OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

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

> CASE NO. 6137 Order No. R-5702

APPLICATION OF AMOCO PRODUCTION COMPANY FOR AN UNORTHODOX GAS WELL LOCATION, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

#### ORDER OF THE DIVISION

#### BY THE DIVISION:

This cause came on for hearing at 9 a.m. on April 5, 1978, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner, Daniel S. Nutter.

NOW, on this <u>llth</u> day of April, 1978, the Division Director, having considered the record and the recommendations of the Examiner, and being fully advised in the premises,

#### FINDS:

That the applicant's request for dismissal should be granted.

#### IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

That Case No. 6137 is hereby dismissed.

DONE at Santa Fe, New Mexico, on the day and year herein-above designated.

STATE OF NEW MEXICO
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Director

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CASE 6197: Application of Amerada Hess Corporation for a non-standard gas proration unit, an unorthodox location and simultaneous dedication, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for a 320-acre non-standard gas proration unit comprising the N/2 of Section 36, Township 23 South, Range 36 East, Jalmat Gas Pool, Lea County, New Mexico, to be simultaneously dedicated to its State IMT Well No. 5 at an unorthodox location in Unit A of said Section 36 and its Well No. 2 in Unit F.

CASK 6170: (Continued from March 22, 1978, Examiner Hearing)

Application of Aminoil USA, Inc., for a unit agreement, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for its Westlake Unit Area comprising 1920 acres, more or less, of State ands in Township 24 South, Range 33 East, Lea County, New Mexico.

CASE 6189: (Continued from March 22, 1978, Examiner Hearing)

Application of Merrion & Bayless for downhole commingling, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks authority to commingle Pictured Cliffs and Mesaverde production in the wellbore of its North Lindrith Com Well No. 2, to be drilled in the NW/4 of Section 20, Township 26 North, Range 2 West, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico.

CASE 6137: (Continued from March 22, 1978, Examiner Hearing)

Application of Amoco Production Company for an unorthodox gas well location, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for the unorthodox location of its Nellis Federal Well No. 3 to be located 1980 feet from the North line and 660 feet from the West line of Section 8, Township 19 South, Range 33 East, West Tonto-Pennsylvanian Gas Pool, Lea County, New Mexico, the N/2 of said Section 8 to be dedicated to the well.

Docket No. 13-78

DOCKET: COMMISSION HEARING - WEDNESDAY - APRIL 12, 1978

OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION - 9 A.M. - ROOM 205, STATE LAND OFFICE BUILDING, SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

CASE 6149: (Continued from February 21, 1978, Commission Hearing)

Application of The Permian Corporation for amendment of Order No. R-5208, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks the amendment of Order No. R-5208 which, as amended by R-5208-A, authorizes salt water disposal into the Delaware formation through applicant's State CS Well No. 1 located in Unit L of Section 17, Township 21 South, Range 27 East, Eddy County, New Mexico, with a maximum wellhead surface pressure of 600 psi. Applicant seeks to have the aforesaid pressure limitation increased or removed.

CASE 6077: (Continued from February 23, 1978, Commission Hearing)

Application of Bass Enterprises Production Company for a drilling persit in the Potash-Oil Area, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks authority to drill its Big Eddy Unit Well No. 52 and its Rodke Federal Well No. 3 located, respectively, in Units I and F of Section 27, Township 20 South, Range 31 East, Eddy County, New Mexico, said location being within the boundaries of the Potash-Oil Area as defined by Commission Order No. R-111-A and having been objected to by the owners of potash leases in the area.

Dockets Nos. 14-78 and 15-78 are tentatively set for hearing on April 19 and May 3, 1978. Applications for hearing must be filed at least 22 days in advance of Learing date.

#### DOCKET: FXAMINFR HEARING - WEDNESDAY - APRIL 5, 1978

9 A.M. - OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION CONFERENCE ROOM STATE LAND OFFICE EUILDING, SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

- The following cases will be heard before Daniel S. Nutter, Examiner, or Richard L. Stamets, Alternate Franciner:
- CASE 6190: In the matter of the hearing called by the Oil Conservation Commission on its own motion to permit Peter Siemens, Fidelity & Cosualty Co. of New York, and all other interested parties to appear and show cause why the Wright Well No. 1 located in Unit F of Section 12, Township 10 North, Range 5 East, Bernalillo County, New Mexico, should not be plugged and abandoned in accordance with a Commission-approved plugging program.
- CASE 6191: In the matter of the hearing called by the Oil Conservation Commission on its own motion to permit Daryl Davis and all other interested parties to appear and show cause why the State Well No. 1 located in Unit K of Section 1, Tornship 4 South, Range 26 East, Chaves County, New Mexico, should not be plugged and abandoned in accordance with a Commission-approved plugging program.
- CASE 6177: (Continued & Readvertised)

Application of Texas International Corporation for directional drilling, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for the directional drilling of a proposed gas well, the surface location of which would be 1650 feet from the South line and 1800 feet from the East line of Section 29, Township 20 South, Range 30 East, Eddy County, New Mexico, in such a manner as to penetrate the Strawn formation within 100 feet of a point 1980 feet from the North line and 1985 feet from the West line of said Section 29, and to bottom said well in the Morrow formation within 100 feet of a point 1501 feet from the North line and 1552 feet from the West line of said Section 29. The N/2 of the section would be dedicated to the Strawn formation, Golden Lane-Strawn Gas Pool, and all of Section 29 would be dedicated to the Morrow formation, Dos Hermanos-Morrow Gas Pool.

- Application of Yates Petroleum Corporation for an unorthodox gas well location, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for the unorthodox location of its Federal "DC" Well No. 1 to be located 1980 feet from the South line and 660 feet from the West line of Section 29, Township 20 South, Range 28 East, Eddy County, New Mexico, the S/2 of said Section 29 to be dedicated to the well.
- CASE 6193: Application of Zia Energy, Inc., for an unorthodox gas well location and simultaneous dedication, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for the unorthodox location of its Elliott Federal Well No. 1 located 2310 feet from the South line and 330 feet from the East line of Section 26, Township 20 South, Range 36 East, Eumont Gas Pool, Lea County, New Mexico, the N/2 SE/4 and W/2 NE/4 of said Section 26 to be simultaneously dedicated to the aforesaid well and to Well No. 2 in Unit J.
- Application of Tenneco Cil Company for an unorthodox location, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico.

  Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for the unorthodox location of its Jicarilla

  "A" Well No. 10 to be located 1190 feet from the South line and 1590 feet from the East line of
  Section 18, Township 26 North, Range 5 West, Tapacito-Gallup Associated Pool, Rio Arriba County,
  New Mexico, the SE/4 of said Section 18 to be dedicated to the well.
- CASE 6195: Application of Tenneco Oil Company for an unorthodox location, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico.

  Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for the unorthodox location of its Jicarilla "A" Well No. 9 to be located 1850 feet from the North line and 1450 feet from the West line of Section 20, Township 26 North, Range 5 West, Tapacito-Gallup Associated Pool, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico, the NW/4 of said Section 20 to be dedicated to the well.
- Application of Sun Oil Company for an unorthodox gas well location and a non-standard gas proration unit, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval of a 260-acre non-standard gas proration unit comprising the NE/4, W/2 NW/4 and the SE/4 NW/4 of Section 24, Township 20 South, Range 33 East, to be dedicated to applicant's Teas Federal Well No. 1, a wild-cat Pennsylvanian well to be drilled at an unorthodox location 2180 feet from the North and West lines of said Section 24.

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Amoco Production Company

500 Jefferson Building P.O. Box 3092 Houston, Texas 77001

J. M. Brown Division Engineering Manager

March 17, 1978

File: DBF-986,51NM-1643

Re:

Case No. 6137
Unorthodox Gas Well Location
Nellis Federal Well No. 3
Section 8, T-19-S, R-33-E
West Tonto (Penn)Gas Pool
Lea County, New Mexico

Mr. R. L. Stamets New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission State Land Office Building - 2nd Floor Santa Fe, NM 87501

Dear Mr. Stamets:

Confirming Mr. G. T. Buell's telephone request this date, please continue Case No. 6137, set for March 22, 1978, to the first examiner hearing in April, 1978. Case No. 6137 is Amoco's request for an unorthodox gas well location in the West Tonto (Penn) Gas Pool, Lea County, New Mexico.

Yours very truly,

Dockets Nos. 12-78 and 13-78 are tentatively set for hearing on April 5 and 19, 1978. Applications for hearing must be filed at least 22 days in advance of hearing date.

#### DOCKET: FXAMINER HEARING - WEDNESDAY - MARCH 22, 1978

9 A.M. - OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION CONFERENCE ROOM, STATE LAND OFFICE BUILDING, SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

The following cases will be heard before Richard L. Stamets, Examiner, or Daniel S. Nutter, Alternate Examiner:

CASE 6151: (Continued from February 22, 1978, Examiner Hearing)

In the matter of the hearing called by the Oil Conservation Commission on its own motion to permit Vega Petroleum Corporation, American Employers' Insurance Company, and all other interested parties to appear and show cause why the North Caprock Queen Unit No. 1 Well No. 5Y located in Unit E of Section 8, Township 13 South, Range 32 East, Lea County, New Mexico, should not be plugged and abandoned in accordance with a Commission-approved plugging program.

CASE 6152: (Continued from February 22, 1978, Examiner Hearing)

In the matter of the hearing called by the Oil Conservation Commission on its own motion to permit Al Greer, American Employers' Insurance Company, and all other interested parties to appear and show cause why the Thompson Well No. 1 located in Unit N of Section 10, Township 30 North, Range 11 West, San Juan County, New Mexico, should not be plugged and abandoned in accordance with a Commission-approved plugging program.

CASE 6179: In the matter of the hearing called by the Oil Conservation Commission on its own motion to permit McCoy and Phillips and all other interested parties to appear and show cause why the John Bergin Well No. 1 located 2515 feet from the North line and 1410 feet from the West line of Section 21, Township 29 North, Range 11 West, San Juan County, New Mexico, should not be plugged and abandoned in accordance with a Commission-approved plugging program.

CASE 6180: In the matter of the hearing called by the Oil Conservation Commission on its own motion to permit Elvis L. Roberts, The Travelers Indemnity Company, and all other interested parties to appear and show cause why the Wade Well No. 1 located 850 feet from the North line and 1750 feet from the East line of Section 21, Township 29 North, Range 11 West, San Juan County, New Mexico, should not be plugged and abandoned in accordance with a Commission-approved plugging program.

CASE 6137: (Continued from February 8, 1978, Examiner Hearing)

Application of Amoco Production Company for an unorthodox gas well location, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for the unorthodox location of its Nellis Federal Well No. 3 to be located 1980 feet from the North line and 660 feet from the West line of Section 8, Township 19 South, Range 33 East, West Tonto-Pennsylvanian Cas Pool, Lea County, New Mexico, the N/2 of said Section 8 to be dedicated to the well.

CASE 6172: (Continued from March 8, 1978, Examiner Hearing)

Application of Morris R. Antwell for compulsory pooling, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, sceks an order pooling all mineral interests in the Pennsylvanian formation underlying the E/2 of Section 22, Township 19 South, Range 25 East, Eddy County, New Mexico, 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. Also to be considered will be the designation of applicant as operator of the well and a charge for risk involved in drilling said well.

CASE 6181: Application of Yates Petroleum Corporation for an unorthodox location, Eddy County, New Mexico.

Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for the unorthodox location of its Rio Pecos

"GB" Well No. 2 to be located 1980 feet from the South line and 1100 feet from the West line of

Section 20, Township 18 South, Range 27 East, Red Lake Field, Eddy County, New Mexico, to test
the Wolfcamp and Pennsylvanian formations, the S/2 of said Section 20 to be dedicated to the well.

CASE 6182: Application of Union Oil Company of California for a unit agreement, Lea County, New Mexico.

Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for its Lagura Deep Unit Area comprising
2,558 acres, more or less, of State, Federal and fee lands in Townships 19 and 20 South, Range
33 East, Lea County, New Mexico.

CASE 6183: Application of Mesa Petroleum Company for a unit agreement, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for its North Scharb Unit Area comprising 1911 acres, more or less, of State and fee lands in Township 18 South, Range 35 East, Lea County, New Mexico.

- Application of Mesa 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 E/2 of Section 2/, Township 18 South, Range 2/ East, Eddy County, New Mexico, 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 mell as actual operating costs and charges for supervision. Also to be considered will be the designation of applicant as operator of the well and a charge for risk involved in drilling said well.
- CASE 6185: (This Case will be dismissed)

Application of Mesa Petroleum Company for compulsory pooling, Lea 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 32, Township 18 South, Range 35 East, Lea County, New Mexico, 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. Also to be considered will be the designation of applicant as operator of the well and a charge for risk involved in drilling said well.

- CASE 6186: Application of Sun Production Company for a non-standard gas proration unit, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for a 320-acre non-standard gas proration unit comprising the NE/4 of Section 20 and the NW/4 of Section 21, both in Township 22 South, Range 36 East, Jalmat Gas Pool, Lea County, New Mexico, to be dedicated to applicant's Boren & Greer Gas Unit Well No. 2 to be located 890 feet from the North line and 1780 feet from the West line of said Section 21.
- CASE 6187: Application of Continental Oil Company for downhole commingling, Lea County, New Mexico.

  Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for the downhole commingling of Blinebry and Drinkard production in the wellbore of its Hawk B-1 Well No. 1 located in Unit F of Section 9, Township 21 South, Range 37 East, Lea County, New Mexico.
- CASE 6170: Application of Aminoil USA, Inc., for a unit agreement, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for its Westlake Unit Area comprising 1920 acres, more or less, of State lards in Township 24 South, Range 33 East, Lea County, New Mexico.
- Application of Sam D. Ares for salt water disposal, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks authority to dispose of produced salt water into the Seven Rivers formation through the open-hole interval from 3465 feet to 3497 feet in his Zattu Cushing Well No. 1 located in Unit F of Section 23, Township 24 South, Range 36 East, Jalmat Cas Pool, Lea County, New Mexico.
- Application of Merrion & Bayless for downhole commingling, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico.

  Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks authority to commingle Pictured Cliffs and Mesaverde production in the wellbore of its North Lindrith Com Well No. 2, to be drilled in the NW/4 of Section 20, Township 26 North, Range 2 West, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico.

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Mr. Joe D. Ramey Secretary-Director Oil Conservation Commission Post Office Box 2088 Santa Fe, New Mexico 87501

RE: Examiner Hearing February 8, 1978

Dear Joe:

We would appreciate your filing the enclosed Entries of Appearance for Amoco Production Company in Case Nos. 6137 and 6138.

Thank you and with regards, I am,

Very truly yours,

Charles F. Malone

CFM:sgs Enc.

cc: Guy Buell, Esquire

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# BEFORE THE OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION FO

#### STATE OF NEW MEXICO

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION ) OF AMOCO PRODUCTION COMPANY FOR UNORTHODOX GAS WELL LOCATION, No. 6137 WEST TONTO-PENNSYLVANIAN GAS POOL, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

#### ENTRY OF APPEARANCE

The undersigned hereby enter their appearance herein for Amoco Production Company, with Guy Buell and Richard Merrill of Houston, Texas.

ATWOOD, MALONE, MANN & COOTER, P.A.

Post Office Drawer 700 Roswell, New Mexico 88201

Attorneys for Amoco Production Company



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**Amoco Production Company** 

500 Jefferson Building P.O. Box 3092 Houston, Texas 77001

J M Brown Division Engineering Manager

January 17, 1978

File: DBF-986.51NM-179

Re:

Application for Hearing Tonto, West (Penn) Gas Pool Lea County, New Mexico

New Mexico 011 Conservation Commission (3) P. O. Box 2088 Santa Fe, NM 87501

Attention: Mr. Joe D. Ramey

Gentlemen:

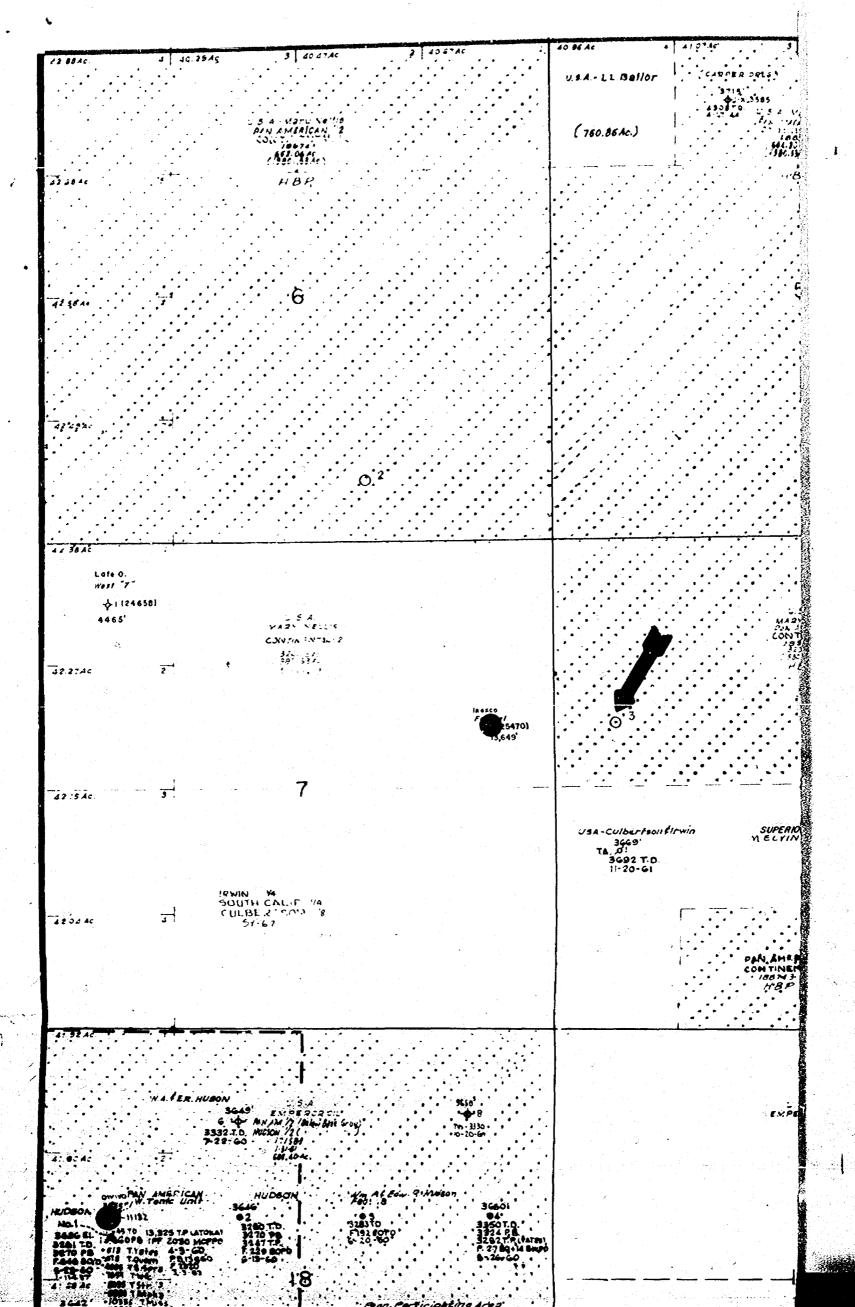
Confirming telephone request of January 16, 1978, Amoco Production Company respectfully requests a hearing for obtaining approval of an unorthodox location for the Nellis Federal Well No. 3 in the Tonto, West (Penn) Gas Pool.

The location is 1980' FNL and 660' FWL, Section 8, Township 19 South, Range 33 East, Lea County, New Mexico, with the proration unit consisting of the N/2 of Section 8. Statewide spacing rules apply in the Tonto, West (Penn) Gas Pool.

Attached is a map of the area. Please direct any questions to Mr. Jim Allen, telephone 713-652-4668.

Yours very truly,

JCA:sam Attachments



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  located in Unit B of Section 28, Township 28 North, Range 3 West, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico.
- CASE 6146: Application of Jerome P. McHugh for downhole commingling, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico.

  Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for the downhole commingling of TapacitoGallup and Basin-Dakota production within the wellbore of his Jicarilla Well No. 5 located in
  Unit D of Section 29, Township 26 North, Range 4 West, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico.
- CASE 6147: Application of Dugan Production Corporation for downhole commingling, San Juan County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for the downhole commingling of Undesignated Greenhorn, Bisti-Iower Gallup, and Basin Dakota production within the wellbore of its Big 8 Well No. 1 located in Unit L of Section 8, Township 24 North, Range 9 West, San Juan County, New Mexico.
- Application of Coquina Oil Corporation for a dual completion, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for the dual completion (conventional) of its Vivian Well No. 1 located in Unit F of Section 30, Township 22 South, Range 38 East, Lea County, New Mexico, in such a manner as to produce oil from the Drinkard and Granite Wash formations thru the casing-tubing annulus and the tubing, respectively.
- CASE 6134: (Readvertised)

Application of Burleson & Huff for compulsory pooling, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests from the surface of the ground to the base of the Queen formation underlying the SE/4 NW/4 of Section 22, Township 25 South, Range 37 East, Lea County, New Mexico, to form a 40-acre Langlie Mattix oil proration unit or underlying the N/2 NE/4, NE/4 NW/4, and SE/4 NW/4 of said Section 22 to form a non-standard 160-acre Jalmat gas proration unit. 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. Also to be considered will be the designation of applicant as operator of the well and a charge for risk involved in drilling said well.

CASE 6096: (Continued from January 18, 1978 Examiner Hearing)

Application of Texas Oil & Cas Corporation for compulsory pooling, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests in the Wolfcamp and Pennsylvanian formations underlying the S/2 of Section 14, Township 21 South, Range 24 East, Lea County, New Mexico, to be dedicated to applicant's South Wilson State Well No. 1 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. Also to be considered will be the designation of applicant as operator of the well and a charge for risk involved in drilling said well.

CASE 6133: (Continued from January 18, 1978 Examiner Hearing)

Application of Doyle Hartman for compulsory pooling and a non-standard proration unit, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests underlying the SE/4 of Section 8, Township 19 South, Range 37 East, Eumont Gas Pool, Lea County, New Mexico, to form a non-standard unit 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. Also to be considered will be the designation of applicant as operator of the well and a charge for risk involved in drilling said well.

Docket No. 5-78

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9 A.M. - OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION CONFERENCE ROCM, STATE LAND OFFICE BUILDING, SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

The following cases will be heard before Richard L. Stamets, Examiner, or Daniel S. Nutter, Alternate Examiner:

- ALLOWABLE: (1) Consideration of the allowable production of gas for March, 1978, from fifteen prorated pools in Lea, Eddy and Chaves Counties, New Mexico.
  - (2) Consideration of the allowable production of gas for March, 1978, from four prorated pools in San Juan, Rio Arriba and Sandoval Counties, New Mexico.
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Dockets Nos. 7-78 and 9-78 are tentatively set for hearing on February 22 and March 8, 1977. Applications for hearing must be filed at least 22 days in advance of hearing date.

#### DOCKET: EXAMINER HEARING - WEDNESDAY - FEBRUARY 8, 1978

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The following cases will be heard before Daniel S. Nutter, Examiner, or Richard L. Stamets, Alternate Examiner:

- CASE 6137:
  Application of Amoco Production Company for an unorthodox gas well location, Lea County, New Mexico.
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  - CASE 6139: Application of Petro-Lewis Corporation for an unorthodox oil well location, Sandoval County,
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### BEFORE THE OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION OF THE ENERGY AND MINERALS DEPARTMENT OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO

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

CASE	NO.	61	37
Order	No.	R-	5702

APPLICATION OF AMOCO PRODUCTION COMPANY FOR AN UNORTHODOX GAS WELL LOCATION, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

#### ORDER OF THE DIVISION

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BI THE DIVISION!	
This cause came on for hearing at 9 a.m. on April 5 , 19 at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner Daniel S. Nutter	78
NOW, on thisday of _April, 1978, the Division	
FINDS:	
That the applicant's request for dismissal should be granted.	
IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:	
That Case No. 6137 is hereby dismissed.	
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STATE OF NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

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#### ORDER OF THE DIVISION

BY THE DIVISION:			
This cause came o at Santa Fe, New Mexico	n for hearing at 9 , before Examiner		
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Called in 1-14-78 by Jen Allen 1/3-452-4668

