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EXAMINER HEARING

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Application of Morris R. Antweil for compulsory pooling and an unorthodox gas well location, Lea County, New Mexico.

CASE 6417

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Lynn Teschendorf, Esq. Legal Counsel for the Division State Land Office Bldg. Santa Fe, New Mexico 87501

For the Applicant:

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Direct Examination by Mr. Carr Cross Examination by Mr Stamets

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- A. R. M. Williams.
- Q Mr. Williams, where do you reside?
- A. Hobbs, New Mexico.
- Q By whom are you employed and in what position?
- A Employed by Morris R. Antweil as a petroleum engineer.
- Q. Have you previously testified before this Commission and had your credentials accepted and made a matter of record?
 - A. Yes, I have.
- Q Are you familiar with the subject matter of this case?
 - A O Yes.

MR. CARR: Are the witness' credentials acceptable?

MR. STAMETS: They are.

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Mr. William F. Carr Re:	CASE NO. 6417			
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Santa Fe, New Mexico	Applicant:	::		
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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. 5417 Order No. R-5898

APPLICATION OF MORRIS R. ANTWEIL FOR COMPULSORY POOLING AND 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 January 3, 1979, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner Richard L. Stamets.

NOW, on this 16th day of January, 1979, the Division Director, having considered the testimony, the record, and the recommendations of the Examiner, and being fully advised in the premises,

FINDS:

- (1) That due public notice having been given as required by law, the Division has jurisdiction of this cause and the subject matter thereof.
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- (3) That a well at said unorthodox location will better enable applicant to produce the gas underlying the proration unit.
- (4) That no offset operator objected to the proposed unorthodox location.
- (5) That at the time of the hearing, all owners within the W/2 of said Section 9 had voluntarily agreed to pool their interests for the drilling of said well and that part of the subject application should be dismissed.

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(6) That approval of the subject application will afford the applicant the opportunity to produce its just and equitable hare of the gas in the subject pool, will prevent the economic loss caused by the drilling of unnecessary wells, avoid the sugmentation of risk arising from the drilling of an excessive number of wells, and will otherwise prevent waste and protect correlative rights.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

- (1) That Morris R. Antweil is hereby authorized an unorthodox gas well location for the Morrow formation for a well to be located at a point 660 feet from the North line and 60 feet from the West line of Section 9, Township 12 South, Range 32 East, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico.
- (2) That the W/2 of said Section 9 shall be dedicated to the above-described well.
- (3) That the application for an order pooling all mineral interests in the Morrow formation underlying the W/2 of said Section 9 is hereby dismissed.
- (4) That jurisdiction of this cause is retained for the entry of such further orders as the Division may deem necessary.

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

STATE OF NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

JOE D. RAMEY/ Director

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SABINE PRODUCTION COMPANY

901 Wall Towers East 201 Wall Street Midland, Texas 79701 (915) 683-5607

January 2, 1979

New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission State Land Office Building Santa Fe, New Mexico 87501

Attention: R. L. Stamets

Re: Docket 1-79, Case 6417

Gentlemen:

Confirming phone conversation this date, Sabine Production Company, as offset lease holder, has no objection to the unorthodox location as set forth in subject case.

Very truly yours,

SABINE PRODUCTION COMPANY

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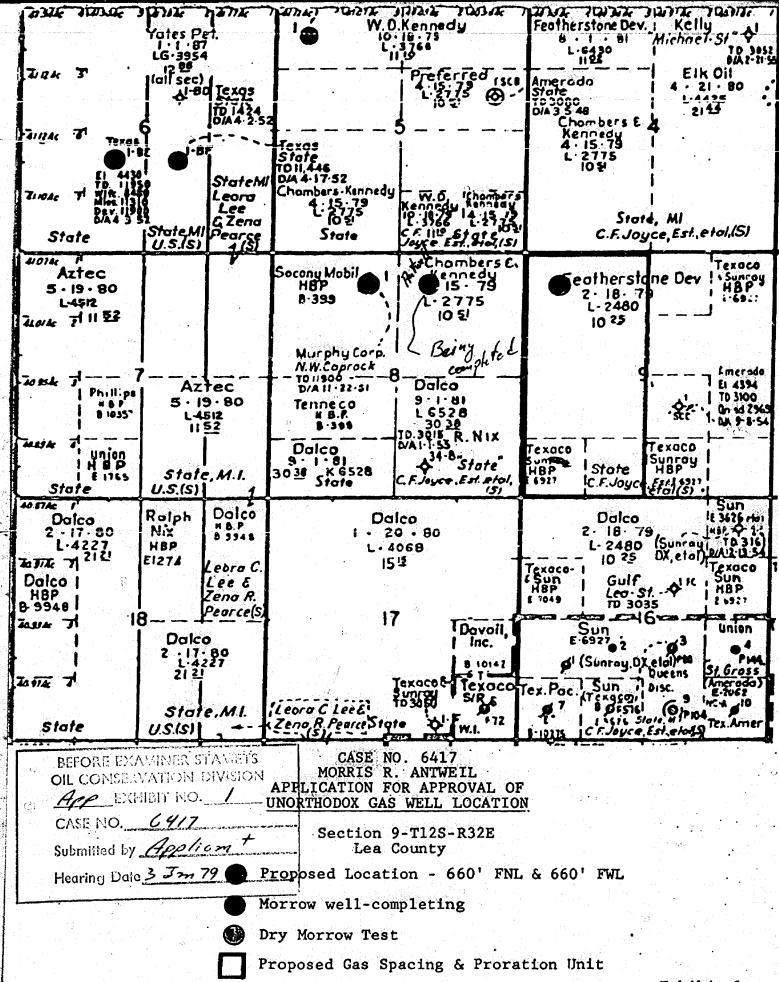
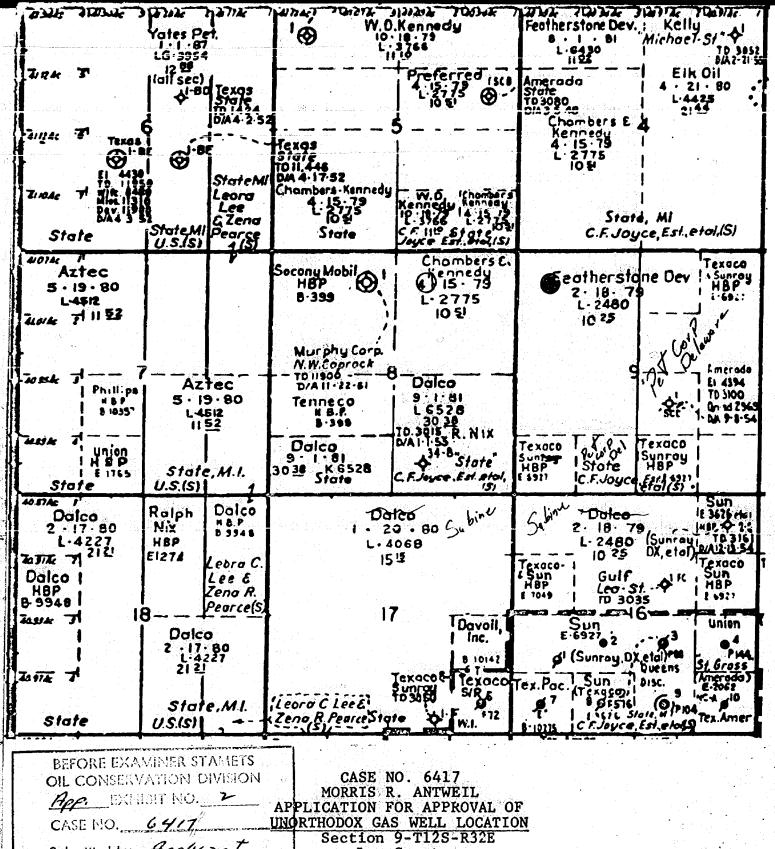
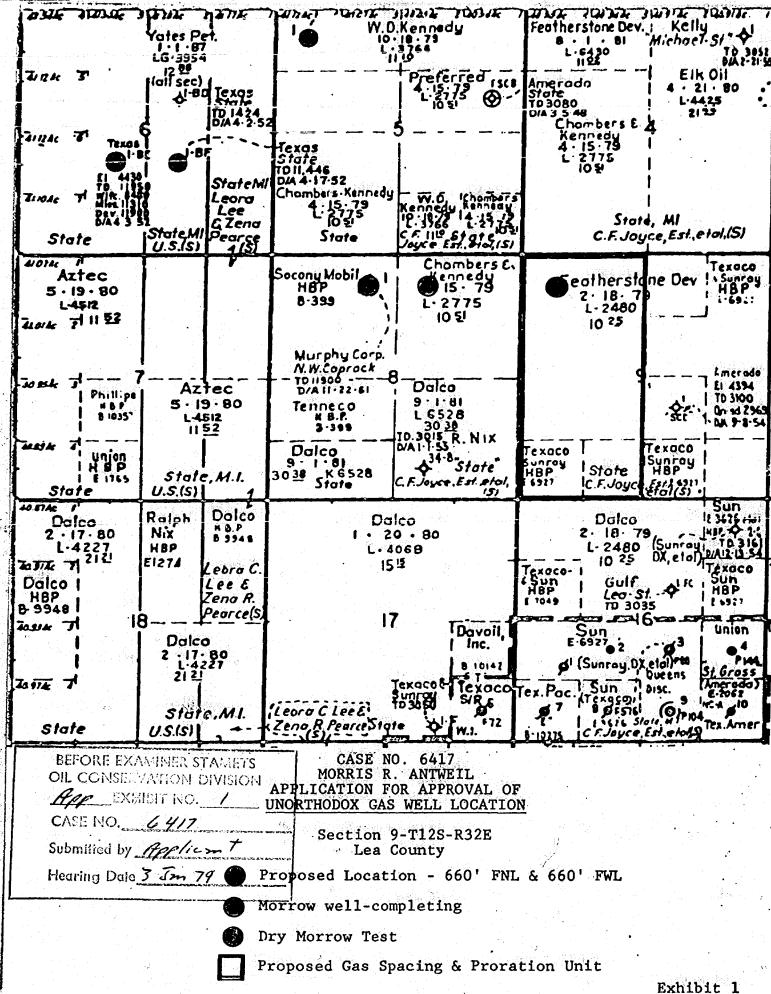


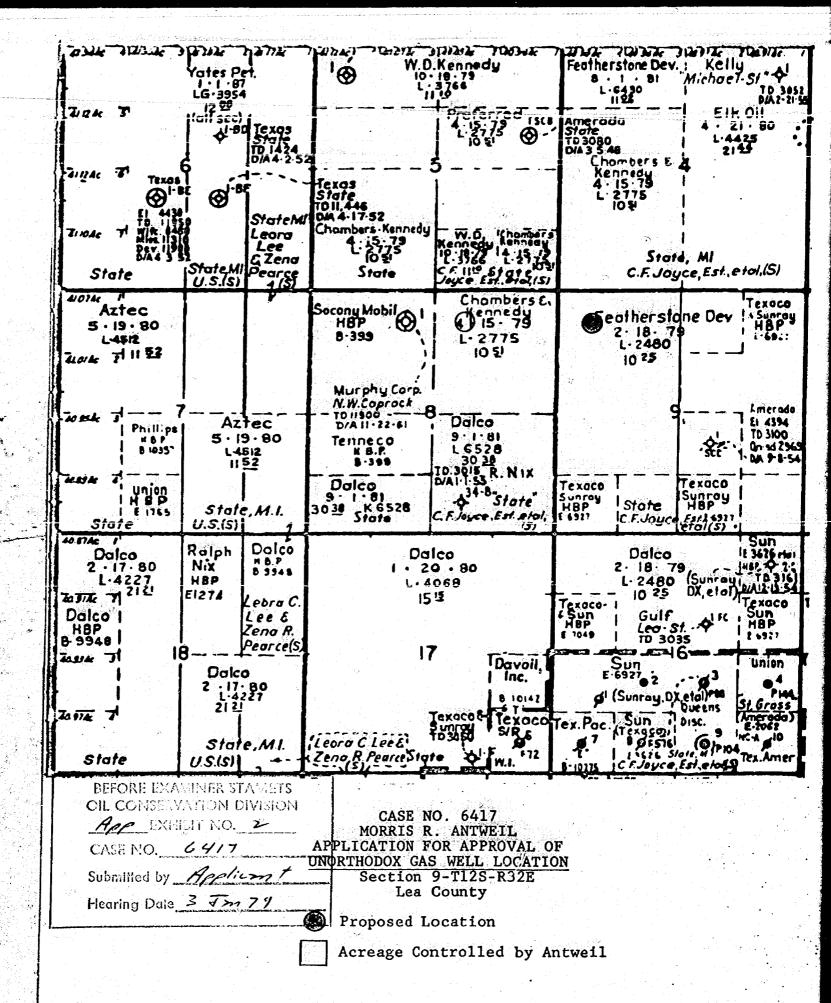
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Dockets Nos. 2-79 and 3-79 are tentatively set for hearing on January 17 and 31, 1979. Applications for hearing must be filed at least 22 days in advance of hearing date.

DOCKET: EXAMINER HEARING - WEDNESDAY - JANUARY 3, 1979

9 A.M. - OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION 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 6413: Application of Atlantic Richfield Company for a dual completion, Lea County, New Mexico.

 Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for the dual completion of its Langley Getty Com Well No. 1 located in Unit N of Section 21, Township 22 South, Range 36 East, Langley Field, Lea County, New Mexico, to produce gas from the Devonian and Ellenburger formations, through parallel strings of tubing.
- CASE 6414: Application of Atlantic Richfield Company for salt water disposal, Lea County, New Mexico.

 Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks authority to dispose of produced salt water into the Devonian formation through the perforated interval from 13,590 feet to 13,685 feet in its Lea 396 State Well No. 1 located in Unit K of Section 35, Township 15 South, Range 36 East, Dean-Devonian Pool, Lea County, New Mexico.
- CASE 6415: Application of Yates Petroleum Corporation for compulsory pooling, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests in the Wolfcamp thru Devonian formations underlying the W/2 of Section 20, Township 14 South, Range 36 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 6416: Application of Anadarko Production Company for special pool rules, Eddy County, New Mexico.

 Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks the promulgation of special pool rules for the Cedar
 Lake-Morrow Gas Pool, Eddy County, New Mexico, to provide for 320-acre spacing rather than 160 acres.

 In the absence of objection, this pool will be placed on the standard 320-acre spacing for Wolfcamp
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Attention: Mr. Joe D. Ramey, State Petroleum Engineer

Gentlemen:

Enclosed herewith, in triplicate, is the Application of Morris R. Antweil, for compulsory pooling and an unorthodox gas well location, Lea County, New Mexico. Morris R. Antweil requests that this matter be set for the examiner's hearing to be held on January 3, 1979.

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Enclosures

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Respectfully submitted,

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IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF MORRIS R. ANTWEIL FOR COMPULSORY POOLING AND AN UNORTHODOX GAS WELL LOCATION, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

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ORDER NO. R- 5898

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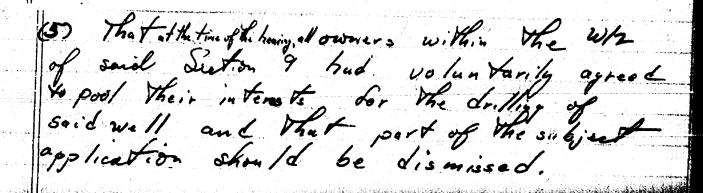
BY THE DIVISION:

This cause came on for hearing at 9 a.m. on January 3, 19 79, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner Richard L. Stamets NOW, on this ______ day of __January ___, 19 79 __, the Division Director, having considered the testimony, the record, and the recommendations of the Examiner, and being fully advised in the premises,

FINDS:

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- (3) (1) That a well at said unorthodox location will better enable applicant to produce the gas underlying the proration unit.

 (4) (5) That no offset operator objected to the proposed unorthodox location.



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(6) That approval of the subject application will afford the applicant
the opportunity to produce its just and equitable share of the gas in the
subject pool, will prevent the economic loss caused by the drilling of
unnecessary wells, avoid the augmentation of risk arising from the drilling
of an excessive number of wells, and will otherwise prevent waste and protect
orrelative rights. IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED: an thorized
(1) That/an unorthodox gas well location for the Morrow
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feet from the North line and 660 feet from the West
line of Section 9 , Township 12 South , Range 32 East
NMPM, County,
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dismissed.