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. 7975 Order No. R-7373

APPLICATION OF JOE E. BROWN FOR NINE UNORTHODOX OIL WELL LOCATIONS, ROOSEVELT COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

ORDER OF THE DIVISION

BY THE DIVISION:

This cause came on for hearing at 9 a.m. on October 12, 1983, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner Richard L. Stamets.

NOW, on this 18th day of October, 1983, 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.
- (2) That the applicant, Joe E. Brown, seeks approval of nine unorthodox oil well locations to be drilled on the Farrell Federal Lease, all in Section 28, Township 7 South, Range 33 East, NMPM, Chaveroo-San Andres Pool, Roosevelt County, New Mexico, as follows:

Well No. 17, 1310' FNL and 1310' FEL; Well No. 18, 1310' FNL and 2630' FEL; Well No. 19, 1310' FNL and 1330' FWL; Well No. 20, 2630' FNL and 1310' FWL; Well No. 21, 2630' FSL and 1310' FEL; Well No. 22, 2630' FSL and 2630' FWL; Well No. 23, 1310' FSL and 1310' FWL; Well No. 24, 1310' FSL and 2630' FWL; and Well No. 25, 1310' FSL and 1330' FEL.

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- (3) That the quarter-quarter section wherein any of said wells is located in said Section 28 is to be dedicated to such well.
- (4) That wells at said unorthodox locations will better enable applicant to produce the oil underlying the proration units and the applicant's lease covering said Section 28.
- (5) That no offset operator objected to the proposed unorthodox locations.
- (6) That approval of the subject application will afford the applicant the opportunity to produce its just and equitable share of the oil in the Chaveroo-San Andres 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 correlative rights.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

(1) That the application of Joe E. Brown for nine unorthodox oil well locations for the Farrell Federal Lease is hereby approved, said wells all to be located in Section 28, Township 7 South, Range 33 East, NMPM, Chaveroo-San Andres Pool, Roosevelt County, New Mexico, as follows:

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Well No. 17, 1310' FNL and 1310' FEL; Well No. 18, 1310' FNL and 2630' FEL; Well No. 19, 1310' FNL and 1330' FWL; Well No. 20, 2630' FNL and 1310' FWL; Well No. 21, 2630' FSL and 1310' FEL; Well No. 22, 2630' FSL and 2630' FWL; Well No. 23, 1310' FSL and 1310' FWL; Well No. 24, 1310' FSL and 2630' FWL; and Well No. 25, 1310' FSL and 1330' FEL.
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- (2) That the quarter-quarter section wherein any of said wells is located in said Section 28 shall be dedicated to such well.
- (3) That jurisdiction of this cause is retained for the entry of such further orders as the Division may deem necessary.

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DONE at Santa Fe, New Mexico, on the day and year hereinabove designated.

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JOE D. RAMEY,