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Mr. Joe D. Ramey
OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION
P. O. Box 2088
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Re: Tenneco Oil Company

Case 7863

Dear Mr. Ramey:

Please set the enclosed application for compulsory pooling for the Examiner hearing on May 11, 1983.

Very truly yours

W. Thomas Kellahin

WTK:rb Enclosures

cc: Jeff Elliott (Tenneco)

Mesa Petroleum Co.

El Paso Natural Gas Co.

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY AND MINERALS

## OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF TENNECO OIL COMPANY, FOR COMPULSORY POOLING, CHAVES COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

CASE: 7863

## APPLICATION

COMES NOW TENNECO OIL COMPANY, and applies to the Oil Conservation Division of New Mexico for an order pooling all mineral interests in the Dakota, Mesa Verde and Chacra Formations underlying the E/2 of Section 19, Township 26 North, Range 6 West, NMPM, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico, for the formation of a proration and spacing unit for the said production and in support thereof would show the Commission:

- 1. Applicant is the owner of the right to drill and develop the E/2 of Section 19, Township 26 North, Range 6 West.
- 2. Applicant proposes to drill a well to test the Dakota formation with the possibility of completing the well as a dual completion with either the Charca formation or the Mesa Verde formation.
- 3. In the event of a Dakota/Mesa Verde dual, the E/2 of the subject section will be dedicated to the well;
- 4. In the event of a Dakota/Chacra duel, the E/2 of the subject section will be dedicated to the Dakota and the NE/4 of the subject section will be dedicated to the Charca.
- 5. Applicant has sought to obtain the cooperation of all parties.

6. In order to obtain their just and equitable share of the production underlying the above lands, Applicant needs an order pooling the mineral interest involved.

7. Those who have not consented to join in the drilling of the well, with their addresses, to the best of Applicant's information and belief, are as follows:

NAME & ADDRESS	DAKOTA M/V INTEREST	CHACRA INTEREST
Mesa Petroleum Co. 2800 Lincoln Center Bldg. Denver, CO 80203 ATTN: Mr. Art Bruster	50%	-0-
El Paso Natural Gas Co. Box 1492 El Paso, Texas 79978 ATTN: Mr. Van Gobel	5.55%	11.11%
James D. Hancock John L. Hancock Anne Hancock-Dorie 4339 Versailles Dallas, Texas 75202	8.33%	16.2/3%

8. The parties named in paragraph 5 above have been furnished a copy of this application.

WHEREFORE, Applicant prays that this application be set for hearing before the Division's duly appointed examiner, and that after notice and hearing as required by law, the Division enter its order pooling the mineral interest described herein. Applicant further prays that it be named operator of the well, and that the order make provision for application to recover out of production its costs of drilling the subject well, completing and equipping it, costs of operation, including costs of supervision and a risk factor in the amount of 200% for the drilling of the well, for such other and further relief as may be proper.

Respectfully submitted, TENNECO OIL COMPANY

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