STATE OF NEW MEXICO ENERGY, MINERALS AND NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

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

> CASE NO. 8288 ORDER NO. R-12086

APPLICATION OF BASS ENTERPRISES PRODUCTION CO. FOR THE APPROVAL OF DRILLING ISLANDS AND SPECIAL RULES FOR THE POTASH/OIL AREA, EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

ORDER OF THE DIVISION

BY THE DIVISION:

This case came on for hearing at 8:15 a.m. on December 4, 2003, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner Michael E. Stogner.

NOW, on this 15th day of January, 2004, the Division Director, having considered the record and the recommendations of the Examiner,

FINDS THAT:

- (1) Due public notice has been given and the Division has jurisdiction of this case and its subject matter.
- (2) The applicant, Bass Enterprises Production Co., seeks the creation of 18 specified drilling islands for the drilling of shallow and deep wells (above or below the base of the Strawn formation) and for special rules to be applied therein including approval of vertical and directional drilling; orthodox and unorthodox surface and bottomhole locations; and special drilling, casing and cementing requirements all within or in the vicinity of the Potash-Oil Area in Eddy County, New Mexico as defined in Division Order R-111-A, as amended.
- (3) This case was initially heard before the New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission on August 23, 1984. At that time this case was continued infinitely.

- (4) Due to the inactivity of this case over a considerable length of time, the Division advised the applicant by letter dated April 5, 1989 that this matter would be dismissed unless instructed otherwise.
- (5) This case subsequently remained idle and was reopened to this docket for the applicant to either dismiss or reactivate this case.
 - (6) The applicant, prior to the hearing, requested this matter be dismissed.
 - (7) Dismissal of this case should therefore be granted.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:

Case No. 8288 is hereby dismissed.

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

STATE OF NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

LORI WROTENBERY

Director

