

CASE 10991: (Continued from October 13, 1994, Examiner Hearing.)

Application of Yates Petroleum Corporation for compulsory pooling, Chaves County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests from the surface to the base of the Abo formation, underlying the SE 4 of Section 20, Township 6 South, Range 26 East, forming a standard 160-acre gas spacing and proration unit for any and all formations and/or pools developed on 160-acre spacing within said vertical extent, which presently includes but is not necessarily limited to the Pecos Slope Abo Gas Pool. Said unit is to be dedicated to a well to be drilled at a standard gas well 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, designation of applicant as the operator of the well and a charge for risk involved in drilling and completing said well. Said unit is located approximately 15 miles west-northwest of Elkins, New Mexico.

CASE 11111: (Continued from October 27, 1994, Examiner Hearing.)

Application of Yates Petroleum Corporation for compulsory pooling, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests from the surface to the base of the Canyon formation, underlying the SE 4 of Section 21, Township 19 South, Range 25 East, forming a standard 160-acre gas spacing and proration unit for any and all formations and/or pools developed on 160-acre spacing within said vertical extent, which presently includes only the Undesignated North Dagger Draw-Upper Pennsylvanian Pool. Said unit is to be dedicated to a well to be drilled and completed at a standard location in the SW 4 SE 4 (Unit O) of said Section 21. 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, designation of applicant as the operator of the well and a charge for risk involved in drilling and completing said well. Said unit is located approximately 6.25 miles west by north of Lakewood, New Mexico.

CASE 10997: (Reopened)

Application of Nearburg Exploration Company to reopen Case 10997 and to amend Division Order No. R-10150, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order to amend Division Order No. R-10150, entered on July 14, 1994, for the purpose of substituting a new unorthodox gas well location 2310 feet from the North and East lines (Unit G) of Section 26, Township 19 South, Range 25 East, for the previously approved unorthodox gas well location to be 1450 feet from the North and East lines (Unit G) of said Section 26 for Nearburg Producing Company's proposed Morris 26F Well No. 2 to be drilled in accordance with the referenced compulsory pooling order which pooled all non-participating royalty interests for any production from the surface to the base of the Morrow formation and all mineral interests from the top of the Wolfcamp formation to the base of the Morrow formation underlying the N/2 of Section 26 forming a standard 320-acre gas spacing and proration unit for any and all formations and/or pools developed on 320-acre spacing within said vertical extent, which presently includes but is not necessarily limited to the Undesignated Cemetery-Morrow Gas Pool. Said unit is located approximately 9 miles west-northwest of Lakewood, New Mexico.

CASE 11142: Application of Amerada Hess Corporation for compulsory pooling, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests in the Basin-Dakota Pool underlying the N/2 of Section 34, Township 24 North, Range 5 West, forming a standard 320-acre gas spacing and proration unit for said pool. Said unit is to be dedicated to a well to be drilled at a standard gas well 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, designation of applicant as operator of the well and a charge for risk involved in drilling said well. Said area is located approximately 17 miles west by south of Lindrith, New Mexico.

CASE 11089: (Continued and Readvertised)

Application of Meridian Oil Inc. to contract the vertical limits of the Barker Creek-Paradox (Pennsylvanian) Pool, the amendment of Division Order No. R-46, and the concomitant creation of three gas pools each with special rules and regulations therefor, San Juan County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks to amend and redefine the Barker Creek-Paradox (Pennsylvanian) Pool comprising all or portions of Sections 9, 10, 11, 14, 15, 16, 17, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 27, 28, and 29, Township 32 North, Range 14 West, by vertically contracting the limits of said pool and the concomitant creation of three new gas pools, to include all or portions of Sections 7 through 10, 11, 14 through 23, 27 through 30, Township 32 North, Range 14 West, by dividing the balance of the Paradox formation, in the Ismay, the Desert Creek, and the Upper-Barker Creek and Akah members. Applicant further seeks the promulgation of special rules for each new pool including 160 or 320-acre spacing and well location exceptions allowing for 100 foot off-sets. Also, the special Rules and Regulations for the contracted Barker Creek-Paradox (Pennsylvanian) Pool, as promulgated by Division Order No. R-46, should include a similar provision allowing for 100 foot off-sets to the outer boundary of a spacing and proration unit. Said area is centered approximately eight miles northwest of La Plata, New Mexico.

CASE 11138: Application of Meridian Oil Inc. for downhole commingling and an unorthodox coal gas well location, San Juan County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval to downhole commingle conventional Aztec-Pictured Cliffs Pool gas production (160.01-acre dedication comprising Lots 9 and 13 and the W/2 SE/4, being the SE/4 equivalent) with gas from the Basin-Fruitland Coal (Gas) Pool within the wellbore of its existing Martin Well No. 2 located 1650 feet from the South and East lines (Unit J) of Section 34, Township 30 North, Range 11 West. Said well location is considered to be an "off-pattern" unorthodox coal gas well location and is to be dedicated to a standard 321.87-acre gas spacing and proration unit for the Basin-Fruitland Coal (Gas) Pool comprising Lots 9 through 13, the SE/4 SW/4, and the W/2 SE/4 (S/2 equivalent) of said Section 34. Said well is located approximately 4 miles south of Aztec, New Mexico.

CASE 11139: Application of Meridian Oil Inc. for downhole commingling and an unorthodox coal gas well location, San Juan County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval to downhole commingle conventional Aztec-Pictured Cliffs Pool gas production (160-acre, NW/4 dedication) with gas from the Basin-Fruitland Coal (Gas) Pool within the wellbore of its existing Seymour Com Well No. 1 located 990 feet from the North line and 1650 feet from the West line (Unit C) of Section 36, Township 30 North, Range 11 West. Said well location is considered to be an "off-pattern" unorthodox coal gas well location and is to be dedicated to a standard 320-acre gas spacing and proration unit for the Basin-Fruitland Coal (Gas) Pool comprising the N/2 of said Section 36. Said well is located approximately 6 miles southwest of Aztec, New Mexico.

CASE 11140: Application of Meridian Oil Inc. for downhole commingling and an unorthodox coal gas well location, San Juan County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval to downhole commingle conventional Aztec-Pictured Cliffs Pool gas production (160-acre, SE/4 dedication) with coal gas from the Basin-Fruitland Coal (Gas) Pool within the wellbore of its existing Garrett Com Well No. 1 located 1650 feet from the South line and East lines (Unit J) of Section 12, Township 29 North, Range 11 West. Said well location is considered to be an "off-pattern" unorthodox coal gas well location and is to be dedicated to a standard 320-acre gas spacing and proration unit for the Basin-Fruitland Coal (Gas) Pool comprising the E/2 of said Section 12. Said well is located approximately 2 miles northeast of Bloomfield, New Mexico.

CASE 11089: (Continued from September 15, 1994, Examiner Hearing.)

Application of Meridian Oil Inc. to abolish the Barker Creek-Paradox (Pennsylvanian) Pool and the concomitant creation of five replacement gas pools each with special rules and regulations, San Juan County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks to abolish the Barker Creek-Paradox (Pennsylvanian) Pool comprising all or portions of Sections 9, 10, 11, 14, 15, 16, 17, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 27, 28, and 29, Township 32 North, Range 14 West, and the concomitant creation of five replacement pools for the production of gas from five separate and distinct members of the Paradox formation. Applicant further seeks the promulgation of special rules therefor including a provision for 640-acre spacing and well location requirements. Said area is centered approximately eight miles northwest of La Plata, New Mexico.

CASE 11123: (Continued from October 27, 1994, Examiner Hearing.)

Application of Rand Oil & Gas, Inc. for salt water disposal, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks authority to convert its Summers Well No. 1 located 660 feet from the North line and 1980 feet from the East line (Unit B) of Section 18, Township 17 South, Range 39 East, and utilize said well to dispose of produced salt water into the South Knowles-Devonian Pool through the open-hole interval from approximately 4950 feet to 8900 feet. Said well is located approximately 3 miles east of Knowles, New Mexico.

CASE 11141: Application of Marathon Oil Company for two additional high angle/horizontal wells and to amend Division Order No. R-10082, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks to utilize the two existing J. M. Denton Well Nos. 4 and 6 located in Units "K" and "P", respectively, of Section 11, Township 15 South, Range 37 East by kicking-off from vertical, build angle to approximately 90 degrees with a short-radius curve and continue drilling a horizontal drainhole within the Denton-Devonian Pool. Applicant further seeks the promulgation of special rules and provisions for the applicant's J. M. Denton lease "pilot project", approved by Division Order No. R-10082, including the designation of a prescribed area limiting the horizontal displacement of any drainhole to within 330 feet from the circumventing said project area, comprising the SW/4, N/2 SE/4 and SE/4 SE/4 of said Section 11, the creation and formation of oversized and irregular shaped spacing and proration units to accommodate such wellbores, and the assignment of a special oil allowable for such non-standard oil proration units. Said project is located approximately 4.5 miles south-southeast of Prairieview, New Mexico.