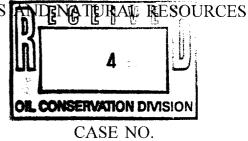
BEFORE THE

OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

NEW MEXICO DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY, MINERALS

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF AMERADA HESS CORPORATION FOR AN UNORTHODOX WELL LOCATION, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.



APPLICATION

COMES NOW AMERADA HESS CORPORATION, through its undersigned attorneys, and hereby makes application for an order approving an unorthodox well location, and in support thereof states:

- 1. Applicant is the operator of the W/2 of Section 5, Township 23 South, Range 34 East, N.M.P.M., Lea County, New Mexico and proposes to drill its North Bell Lake Federal Well No. 2 as a wildcat gas well in the Ellenburger formation, 1100 feet from the South line and 1500 feet from the West line in Unit N of said Section 5.
- 2. Applicant seeks an exception to the Division's well location requirements to permit the drilling of said well in the Ellenburger formation at the above-described location.
- 3. A standard 320-acre spacing and proration unit comprised of the W/2 of said Section 5 should be dedicated to the well.

4. Approval of this application will afford Applicant the opportunity to produce

its just and equitable share of the oil and gas from the Ellenburger formation and will

otherwise be in the best interest of the conservation, the protection of correlative rights

and the prevention of waste.

WHEREFORE, Applicant requests that this matter be set for hearing before a duly

appointed Examiner of the Oil Conservation Division on October 27, 1994, and after

notice and hearing as required by law, the Division enter its Order granting this

application and providing such other relief as is proper.

Respectfully submitted,

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