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November 7, 2001

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Ms. Lori Wrotenbery, Director Oil Conservation Division 1220 South Saint Francis Drive Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505

Big "D" State Well No. 1 Re:

Lots 3-6,11-14 of Irregular Section 6, T16S, R34E

for compulsory pooling, an unorthodox oil location Case /2 775
and various non-standard and various non-standard gas proration units

Lea County, New Mexico

Dear Ms. Wrotenbery:

On behalf of Concho Oil & Gas Corp., please find enclosed our referenced application which we request be set for hearing on the Examiner's docket now scheduled for December 6, 2001. Also enclosed is our proposed advertisement of this case for the NMOCD docket.

Very truly yours

W. Thomas Kellahin

cc: Concho Oil & Gas Corp. Attn: Mike Gray

CASE 12775 Application of Concho Oil & Gas Corp. for compulsory pooling, an unorthodox oil well location and various non-standard proration and spacing units, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant seeks an order pooling all mineral interests from the surface to the base of the Morrow formation underlying the following described acreage in Irregular Section 6, T16S, R34E, NMPM, Eddy County, New Mexico, in the following manner: (i) Lots 3-6 and 11-14 to form a non-standard 298.36-acre gas spacing and proration unit for any and all formations and/or pools developed on 320-acre gas spacing within said vertical extent, which presently may include but is not necessarily limited to the Hume-Morrow Gas Pool, and Hume-Atoka Gas Pool; (ii) Lots 11-14 to form a non-standard 143.76-acre gas spacing and proration unit for any formations and/or pools developed on 160-acre spacing within that vertical extent: and (iii) Lot 11 to form a standard 40-acre oil spacing and proration unit for any formations and/or pools developed on 160-acre spacing within that vertical extent including but not limited to the Kenmitz Cisco Pool, the Wolcamp formation and the Strawn formation. The units are to be dedicated to its Big "D" State Well No. 1 to be drilled and completed at standard gas well location, but in the event of oil production, then an unorthodox oil well location 147.96 feet from the west line and 659 feet from the south line of Lot 11 of this section. Applicant further seeks an order prescribing terms ("operating provisions") pursuant to which future operations may be conducted in accordance with applicant's Joint Operating Agreement. Also to be considered will be the costs of drilling and completing said well and the allocation of the costs thereof as well as actual operating costs and charges for supervision, designation of the applicant as the operator of the well and a charge for risk involved in said well. Said unit(s) is located approximately 11 miles northeast from Maljamar, New Mexico.

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

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF CONCHO OIL & GAS CORP. FOR COMPULSORY POOLING, AN UNORTHODOX OIL WELL LOCATION AND VARIOUS NON-STANDARD PRORATION AND SPACING UNITS LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

CASE NO. /2775

APPLICATION

Comes now CONCHO OIL & GAS CORP. by its attorneys, Kellahin & Kellahin, and in accordance with 1979 NMSA Section 70-2-17.C, applies to the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division for an order pooling all mineral interests from the surface to the base of the Morrow formation underlying the following described acreage in Irregular Section 6, T16S, R34E, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico, in the following manner: (i) Lots 3-6 and 11-14 to form a non-standard 298.36-acre gas spacing and proration unit for any and all formations and/or pools developed on 320-acre gas spacing within said vertical extent, which presently may include but is not necessarily limited to the Hume-Morrow Gas Pool, and Hume-Atoka Gas Pool; (ii) Lots 11-14 to form a non-standard 143.76-acre gas spacing and proration unit for any formations and/or pools developed on 160-acre spacing within that vertical extent; and (iii) Lot 11 to form a standard 40-acre oil spacing and proration unit for any formations and/or pools developed on 160-acre spacing within that vertical extent including but not limited to the Kenmitz Cisco Pool, the Wolcamp formation and the Strawn formation. The units are to be dedicated to its Big "D" State Well No. 1 to be drilled and completed at a standard gas well location, but in the event of oil production, then at an unorthodox oil well location 147.96 feet from the west line and 659 feet from the south line of Lot 11 of this section. Applicant further seeks an order prescribing terms ("operating provisions") pursuant to which future operations may be conducted in accordance with applicant's Joint Operating Agreement. Also to be considered will be the costs of drilling and completing said well and the allocation of the costs thereof as well as actual operating costs and charges for supervision, designation of the applicant as the operator of the well and a charge for risk involved in said well.

In support of its application, Concho Oil & Gas Corp. ("Concho") states:

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- 1. Concho has the right to drill and develop the oil and gas minerals from the surface to the base of the Morrow formation underlying Lots 3-6 and 11-14 of Irregular Section 6, T16S, R34E, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico.
- 2. Concho proposes to drill its Big "D" State Well No. 1 to be drilled and completed at a standard gas well location but in the event of oil production, then at unorthodox oil well location 147.96 feet from the west line and 659 feet from the south line of Lot 11 of this section.
- 3. The various possible spacing and proration units for this well are referenced above and are located within one-mile of the current boundaries of the Hume-Morrow Gas Pool, the Hume-Atoka Gas Pool and the Kemnitz Cisco Pool.
- 4. Concho has proposed this well and its appropriate spacing unit to the working interest owners in the spacing unit(s) as identified on Exhibit "A."
- 5. The proposed unorthodox well location encroaches towards Lot 12 and 13 and is necessary for a combination of topographic and geologic reasons.
- 6. Lots 11, 12, 13, 14 have common ownership for all categories of owners and therefore there are no correlative rights adversely affected by this location.
- 7. Despite its good faith efforts, Concho has been unable to obtain a written voluntary agreement from the parties listed on Exhibit "A."
- 8. Pursuant to NMSA 1979 Section 70-2-17.C and in order to obtain its just and equitable share of potential production underlying this spacing unit, the applicant needs an order of the Division pooling the identified and described mineral interests involved in order to protect correlative rights and prevent waste.
- 9. In accordance with the Division's notice requirements, a copy of this application has been sent to the parties whose interest is to be pooled as listed on Exhibit "A" and to the parties towards whom this well encroaches as listed on Exhibit "B" of the applicant's request for a hearing of this matter before the Division on the next available Examiner's docket now scheduled for December 6, 2001.

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WHEREFORE, Concho, as applicant, requests that this application be set for hearing on December 6, 2001 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 in the appropriate spacing unit for the drilling of the subject well at a standard well location upon terms and conditions which include:

- (1) Concho Oil & Gas Corp. be named operator;
- (2) approval on an unorthodox oil well location for the well;
- (3) Provisions for applicant and all working interest owners to participate in the costs of drilling, completing, equipping and operating the well;
- (4) In the event a working interest owner fails to elect to participate, then provision be made to recover out of production, the costs of the drilling, completing, equipping and operating the well, including a risk factor penalty of 200%;
- (5) Provision for overhead rates per month drilling and per month operating and a provision providing for an adjustment method of the overhead rates as provided by COPAS;
- (6) an order prescribing terms ("operating provisions") pursuant to which future operations may be conducted in accordance with applicant's Joint Operating Agreement.

(7) For such other and further relief as may be proper.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED:

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EXHIBIT "A" parties to be pooled

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BIG "D" STATE #1 WELL NOTICES OF UNORTHODOX LOCATION

WI Owner	Address
Robert O. Anderson	P O Box 1000 Roswell NM 88202-1000
T. J. Seli	P D Box 30365 Albuquerque NM 87190-0365
Hayes Land & Production Co.	P O Box 51407 Midland TX 79710
M, Brad Bennett	₽ O Box 51510 Midland TX 79710-1510
James F. Crank and wife, Celia Crank	P O Box 30365 Albuquerque NM 87190-0365
Jasha Cultreri	601 N. Marienfeld, Suite 500 Midland TX: 79701-4364
Fillmore-Pangle, Inc.	4506 Offive Green Ct Houston TX: 77059
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Blaine Hess	P.O. Box 326 Roswell NM 88202-0326
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Smith Energy Investments, LLC	8801 Spain NE Albuquerque NM 87111
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