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provisions governing subsequent operations on the pooled units, designation of Nearburg Producing Company as operator of the well and a charge for risk involved in drilling said well. Said area is located approximately 9 miles East of Halfway, New Mexico.

### <u>CASE 12820</u>: Continued from April 18, 2002, Examiner Hearing.

Application of Nearburg Exploration Company, L.L.C. for compulsory pooling, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant seeks an order pooling all mineral interests in the following described spacing and proration units in Section 5, Township 19 South, Range 33 East as follows: the W/2 for all formations and/or pools developed on 320-acre spacing which includes but is not necessarily limited to the Undesignated South Corbin-Morrow Gas Pool and the Buffalo-Pennsylvanian Gas Pool; the NW/4 for all formations and/or pools developed on 160-acre spacing; and the SW/4 NW/4 for all formations and/or pools developed on 40-acre spacing which includes but is not necessarily limited to the Undesignated West Tonto-Wolfcamp Pool, Undesignated Tonto-Bone Spring Pool, Undesignated Buffalo-Queen Pool and the Buffalo-Yates Pool. Said well is to be dedicated to its Gem North "5" Federal Com Well No. 1 to be drilled at a standard location 2310 feet from the North line and 660 feet from the West line of said Section ? to a depth sufficient to test all formations from the surface to the base of the Morrow formation. 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, provisions governing subsequent operations on the pooled units, designation of Nearburg Producing Company as operator of the well, imposition of a charge for risk involved in drilling said well and whether excessive royalty burdens upon certain leases should be subject to the charge for risk imposed by this order. Said area is located approximately 24 miles southeast of Loco Hills, New Mexico.

#### CASE 12762: Continued from March 7, 2002, Examiner Hearing.

Application of Paladin Energy Corp. for approval of a unit agreement, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant seeks approval of the Paladin Wolfcamp Exploratory Unit for an area comprising 80 acres, more or less, of state and fee lands in Sections 35 and 36, Township 13 South, Range 37 East, which is located approximately 9 miles east of McDonald, New Mexico.

### CASE 12763: Continued from March 7, 2002, Examiner Hearing.

Application of Paladin Energy Corp. for an unorthodox gas well location, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant seeks approval of an unorthodox well location in the Wolfcamp formation, King-Wolfcamp Pool, for its State "C" Well No. 1 to be re-entered and recompleted at an unorthodox well location 1550 feet from the North line and 10 feet from the West line of Section 36, Township 13 South, Range 37 East. Said well is located approximately 9 miles east of McDonald, New Mexico.

CASE 12858: Application of David H. Arrington Oil and Gas, Inc. for compulsory pooling, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant seeks an order pooling all mineral interests from the surface to the base of the Mississippian formation underlying Lots 1, 2, 3 and 4 and the E/2 W/2 (W/2 equivalent) of irregular Section 31, Township 15 South, Range 36 East in the following manner: Lots 1, 2, 3 and 4 and the E/2 W/2 (W/2 equivalent) to form a standard 320.56-acre stand-up gas spacing and profit ion unit for any formation or pool spaced on 320 acres within that vertical extent; the SW/4 to form a standard 160.14-acre gas spacing and proration unit for all formations or pools spaced on 160 acres within that vertical extent; and the SW/4 NW/4 (Unit E) to form a standard 40.17-acre oil spacing and proration unit for all formations or pools spaced on 40 acres within that vertical extent, which presently includes but is not necessarily limited to the Caudill Permo-Upper Pennsylvanian Pool and the Undesignated Townsend Permo-Upper Pennsylvanian Pool. These spacing and proration units are to be dedicated to Arrington's proposed Royal Stimulator "31" Well No. 2 to be drilled at a standard location in the W/2 of Section 31. The well will commence at a surface location 2235 feet from

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West Kutz Pictured Cliffs Pool

Jicarilla 98 Well No. 12A 1160 feet FSL and 1920 feet FWL SW/4 Section 18, T26N R3W Tapacito Pictured Cliffs Pool

Jicarilla 96 Well No. 2B 2430 feet FSL and 1265 feet FEL SE/4 Section 2, T26N R3W Gavilan Pictured Cliffs Pool

The pilot project area encompasses all or a portion of:

Township 25 North, Ranges 3 and 6 West Township 26 North, Ranges 3, 5, 8 and 9 West Township 27 North, Ranges 3, 5, 8, 9 and 10 West Township 28 North, Ranges 8, 9, 11 and 12 West Township 29 North, Ranges 9, 10, 11 and 12 West Township 30 North, Range 11 West Township 31 North, Range 10 West

#### CASE 12778: Reopened

Application of Devon Energy Production Company, L.P. to reopen Case No. 12778 to abolish the Special Rules and Regulations for the Buffalo Vall ey-Pennsylvanian Gas Pool and to terminate gas prorationing in the pool, Chaves County, New Mexico. Applicant seeks an order abolishing the Special Rules and Regulations for the Buffalo Valley-Pennsylvanian Gas Pool and terminating gas prorationing in the pool, and making the Division's statewide spacing and well location rules applicable to the pool. The pool covers all or portions of Sections 25, 26, 35, and 36, Township 14 South, Range 27 East, Section 31, Township 14 South, Range 28 East, Sections 1-4, 11-15, and 22-26, Township 15 South, Range 27 East, N.M.P.M., and Sections 6-8, 16-18, 20, and 21, Township 15 South, Range 28 East. The pool is centered approximately 10 miles southeast of Hagerman, New Mexico.

# <u>CASE 12790</u>: Continued from April 18, 2002, Examiner Hearing.

Amended Application of Nearburg Exploration Company, L.L.C. for compulsory pooling, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant seeks an order pooling all mineral interests in the following described spacing and proration units in Section 17, Township 20 South, Range 34 East as follows: the W/2 for all formations and/or pools developed on 320-acre spacing which includes but is not necessarily limited to the Undesignated Quail Ridge-Morrow Gas Pool, Undesignated South Quail Ridge-Atoka Gas Pool, and the Undesignated Lea Pennsylvanian Gas Pool; the NW/4 for all formations and/or pools developed on 160-acre spacing; the W/2 NW/4 for all formations and/or pools developed on 80-acre spacing which includes but is not necessarily limited to the Undesignated Featherstone-Bone Springs Pool, and the NW/4 NW/4 for all formations and/or pools developed on 40-acre spacing which includes but is not necessarily limited to the Undesignated Southeast Teas-Delaware Pool, Undesignated Teas-Bone Springs Pool and the Undesignated Teas Yates-Seven Rivers Pool Said well is to be dedicated to its Mesquite "17" Federal Well No. 1 to be drilled at a standard location 660 feet from the North and West lines of said Section 17 to a depth sufficient to test all formations from the surface to the base of the Morrow formation. 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,