BEFORE THE

OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO

IN THE MATTER OF THE HEARING CALLED BY THE OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONSIDERING:

CASE NO. 151 ORDER NO. 72

In the Matter of the Application of Amerada Petroleum Corporation for the Pooling or Unitization of the NW4SE4 of Section 32, Township 19 South, Range 37 East, N.M.P.M., within the Monument Pool.

ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

BY THE COMMISSION:

This cause came on regularly for hearing at ten o'clock a. m.,
July 15th, 1948, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before the Oil Conservation
Commission of New Mexico, hereinafter referred to as the Commission.

NOW, on this 29th day of July, 1948, the Commission having before it for consideration the record in said case and the testimony adduced at said hearing, and being fully advised in the premises; FINDS:

- 1. That due public notice of the above hearing was given in conformity with law and notice by registered mail given each of the royalty owners claiming royalty under the lease hereinafter referred to, and the Commission has jurisdiction of the case.
- 2. That the applicant, Amerada Petroleum Corporation, is the owner of oil and gas lease covering 34 acres of the NW2SE4 of Section 32, Township 19 South, Range 37 East, N.M.P.M., within the Monument Pool in Lea County, New Mexico, said 34 acres covering all of said NW4SE4 of said Section 32 except the 6 acres hereinafter described, and said lease is now in full force and effect.

3. That Petitioner is the owner in fee of the following described land within said NW2SE2 of said Section 32, said six acres being more particularly described as follows:

Six acres out of the Northeast corner of NW2SE2, Section 32, Township 19 South, Range 37 East, N.M.P.M., more particularly described as follows: Commencing at the Northeast corner of the NW4-SE4 and running West three hundred and ten and three-quarters yards; THENCE South ninety-three and one-half yards; THENCE East three hundred and ten and three-quarter yards; THENCE North ninety-three and one-half yards to corner at beginning, Lea County, New Mexico.

- 4. That Petitioner has heretofore drilled a well in the center of said NW2SE2 of said Section 32, and said well has heretofore and is now producing oil and gas in paying quantities.
- 5. That Petitioner is entitled to recover its fair and equitable share of the crude petroleum oil and natural gas in the Monument Pool lying under the six-acre tract hereinabove described, and by reason of Order No. 33 of this Commission entitled "Monument Proration Order," it may be deprived of its opportunity to recover such share inasmuch as a separate well may not be drilled on the small six-acre tract without waste.
- 6. That 34/40ths of the royalty provided for in the aforesaid lease held by Amerada Petroleum Corporation will afford the owners of royalty under said lease their fair and equitable share of the crude petroleum oil and natural gas which may be recovered from said 40-acre unit.
- 7. That the entire 40-acre tract, to-wit, the NW2SE2 of Section 32, Township 19 South, Range 37 East, N.M.P.M., should be pooled and operated as a unit as to the present producing strata or zones and any other producing strata or producing zones underlying said land.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED:

1. That all the acreage comprising the full 40-acre proration unit, known as the $NW_{4}^{2}SE_{4}^{2}$ of Section 32, Township 19 South, Range

37 East, N.M.P.M., shall be and is hereby pooled as to all strata or any stratum or strata.

- 2. That all of the tracts of land comprising said $NW_2 SE_4^{\frac{1}{2}}$ of said Section 32 be assigned for the purpose of production of crude petroleum oil or natural gas to the 40-acre allocation unit covering said $NW_2 SE_4^{\frac{1}{2}}$ of said Section 32.
- 3. That the Amerada Petroleum Corporation be and it hereby is designated as the operator and producer of said unit.
- 4. That the Amerada Petroleum Corporation well located in the center of said NW2SE2 of said Section 32 be and the same is hereby assigned a full 40-acre unit allocation for production.
- 5. That the operator of said Unit, Amerada Petroleum Corporation, shall make royalty payments to all owners in said 40-acre unit in the same ratio as each owner's interest may appear and as such interest bears to the area of the full unit.
- 6. That this Commission reserves jurisdiction for the purpose of making any orders or requirements proper in the premises.

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

STATE OF NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

THOMAS J. MABRY, Chairman

JOHN E. MILES, Member

R. R. SPURRIER, Secretary.