BEFORE THE OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF AMERADA PETROLEUM CORPORATION FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF PRORATION UNITS AND UNIFORM SPACING OF WELLS FOR THE COMMON SOURCE OF SUPPLY DISCOVERED IN AMERADA-STATE BTB No. 1 WELL, NW/4 NW/4 of SECTION 26, TOWNSHIP 12 SOUTH, RANGE 33 EAST, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

CAUSE	NO.
ORDER	NO.

APPLICATION

COMES, NOW, Amerada Petroleum Corporation, Tulsa, Oklahoma, and alleges and states:

- 1. That applicant has drilled and completed a well known as "State BTB No. 1", located in the center of NW/4 NW/4 of Section 26-12S-33E, Lea County, New Mexico, and discovered a new common source of supply found in said well at the approximate depth of 10,090 feet to 10,200 feet.
- 2. That the probable productive limits of said new common source of supply includes at least the following described area, to wit:

All of Sections 22, 23, 26 and 27, in Township 12 South, Range 33 East.

- 3. That in addition to the discovery well referred to above the following wells are now being drilled to said common source of supply within the area described above, to wit:
 - (a) Amerada No. 1 Roach, located in the center of NW/4 SW/4 of Section 26-12S-33E,
 - (b) Gulf Oil Corporation State NMMI No. 1, located in the center of SE/4 SE/4 of Section 22-12S-33E.
- 4. That in order to bring about the orderly and proper development of said common source of supply, prevent waste and to avoid the drilling of unnecessary wells, and to secure the greatest ultimate recovery therefrom and to protect the correlative rights of the interested parties therein, it is necessary and proper for the Commission to enter its order providing for proration units of eighty (80) acres each, such being the area

which may be efficiently and economically drained by one well, and to provide for the uniform spacing of said wells in the center of the Northwest and Southeast forty-acre tracts of each quarter section with a tolerance of 150 feet to avoid surface obstructions.

- 5. That the order herein prayed for should cover all of the common source of supply discovered in the producing formation of Amerada-State BTB No. 1 Well and any well drilled to said common source of supply should be drilled on the spacing pattern herein requested.
- 6. A plat showing the area described above and the location of all wells drilled or drilling in said area is attached hereto and marked "Exhibit A" and made a part hereof.

WHEREFORE, applicant respectfully requests that the Commission set this application for public hearing at a time and place to be fixed by the Commission, and due and proper notice be given as required by law, and that at the conclusion of said hearing the Commission make and enter an order determining and defining the probable productive limits of the common source of supply referred to above to include an area not less than all of Sections 22, 23, 26 and 27, Township 12 South, Range 33 East, naming said pool or common source of supply, establish proration units of eighty (80) acres each and provide for a uniform spacing of wells to be drilled therein, designating the location of said wells as the center of the Northwest and Southeast forty-acre tracts of each quarter section with a tolerance of 150 feet in any direction from said prescribed location to avoid surface obstructions, and to further provide that said order shall apply to all of said common source of supply.

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