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(\* RULE 2. EACH WELL DRILLED OR RECOMPLETED WITHIN THE ARMON GAS POOL SHALL BE LOCATED ON A TRACT CONSISTING OF NOT LESS THAN A QUARTER SECTION OF APPROXIMATELY 160 SURFACE CONTIGUOUS ACRES SUBSTANTIALLY IN THE FORM OF A SQUARE WHICH SHALL BE A LEGAL SUBDIVISION (QUARTER SECTION) OF THE U. S. PUBLIC LAND SURVEYS.)

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RULE 7. (a) For the purpose of gas allocation in the AMEN Gas Pool, a standard proration unit shall consist of between 158 and 162 contiguous surface acres substantially in the form of a square which shall be a legal subdivision (quarter section) of the U.S. Public Land Surveys; \*\*\*EXCEPT THAT IN THE CORRECTION SECTIONS LOCATED IN TOWNSHIPS 21S-35E, 21S-36E, 21S-37E and 21S-38E, THE PROVISION THAT SUCH STANDARD PRORATION UNIT BE A LEGAL SUB-DIVISION (QUARTER SECTION) OF THE U.S. PUBLIC LAND SURVEYS SHALL BE WAIVED;\*\* provided, however, that a gas proration unit other than a legal quarter section may be formed after notice and hearing by the Commission, or as outlined in Paragraph (b). Any allocation unit containing less than 158 acres or more than 162 acres shall be a non-standard unit and its allowable shall be decreased or increased to that proportion of the standard unit allowable that the number of acres contained therein bears to 160 acres. Any standard proration unit consisting of between 158 and 162 contiguous surface acres shall be considered as containing 160 acres for the purpose of gas allocation.

(b) The Secretary of the Commission shall (\*HAVF AUTHORITY TO) grant an exception to Rule 7 (a) without Notice and Hearing where application has been filed in due form and where the following facts exist and the following provisions are complied with:

(\* 1. THE NON-STANDARD UNIT CONSISTS OF LESS ACREAGE THAN STANDARD PRORATION UNIT.

2. THE ACREAGE ASSIGNED THE NON-STANDARD UNIT LIES WHOLLY WITHIN A LEGAL QUARTER SECTION AND CONTAINS A WELL CAPABLE OF PRODUCING GAS INTO A GAS TRANSPORTATION FACILITY ON THE DATE OF THIS ORDER.

3. THE OPERATOR RECEIVES WRITTEN CONSENT IN THE FORM OF WAIVERS FROM ALL OPERATORS IN THE ADJCINING 160 ACRE PRORATION UNITS.)

\*\* 1. THE ACREAGE ASSIGNED THE NON-STANDARD UNIT LIES WHOLLY WITHIN A LEGAL SECTION.

2. THE ACREAGE ASSIGNED THE NON-STANDARD UNIT IS ADJACENT TO OR CONTIGUOUS WITH THE ACREAGE CONTAINING SAID WELL, OR IS ADJACENT TO OR CON-TIGUOUS WITH ACREAGE WHICH IS ADJACENT TO OR CONTIGUOUS WITH THE ACREAGE CON-TAINING SAID WELL. 3. THE OPERATOR SO MAKING SUCH APPLICATION FOR SUCH AN EXCEPTION TO RULE 7 (a) RECEIVES WRITTEN CONSENT IN THE FORM OF WAIVERS FROM ALL OPERATORS IN ALL ACREAGE IMMEDIATELY ADJACENT TO OR CONTIGUOUS WITH ALL ACREAGE TO BE INCLUDED IN SUCH NON-STANDARD UNIT.

4. IN THE EVENT THERE IS MORE THAN 160 ACRES INVOLVED, THE ACREAGE INVOLVED CONTAINS A WELL CAPABLE OF PRODUCING ITS ESTIMATED ALLOWABLE FOR THE FIRST TWELVE (12) MONTHS THE WELL WILL BE PRODUCING GAS.

(c) THE SECRETARY OF THE COMMISSION SHALL HAVE AUTHORITY TO GRANT AN FXCEPTION TO HULE 7 (a), AFTER NOTICE AND HEARING, WHEN THE OPERATOR IS UNABLE TO COMPLY WITH THE PROVISIONS OF RULE 7 (b).\*\* (\* ) Suggested Deletion
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RULE 8. At least 30 days prior to the beginning of each gas proration period the Commission shall hold a hearing after due notice has been given. The Commission shall cause to be submitted by each gas purchaser its (\*PRELIMINARY) Nominations of the amount of gas which each in good faith actually desires to purchase within the ensuing proration geriod, by months, from the Gas Pool. (\*THE COMMISSION SHALL CONSIDER THE PRELIMINARY NOMINATIONS OF PURCHASERS, ACTUAL PRODUCTION, AND SUCH OTHER FACTORS AS MAY BE DEFMFD APPLICABLE IN DETERMINING THE AMOUNT OF GAS THAT MAY BE PRODUCED WITHOUT WASTE WITHIN THE ENSUING PRORATION PERIOD. PRELIMINARY NOMINATIONS SHALL BE SUEMITTED ON A FORM PRESCRIBED BY THE COMMISSION.)

\*\*WHEN A PURCHASER OF GAS, AFTER FILING ITS NOMINATIONS FOR A PRORATION PERIOD, SHALL FIND THAT ITS REQUIREMENTS FOR GAS HAVE INCREASED OR DECREASED FROM THE AMOUNTS NOMINATED FOR ANY MONTH DURING THE PRORATION PERIOD, SUCH PURCHASER SHALL FILE, NOT LATER THAN THE 10TH OF THE PRECEDING MONTH, SUPPLEMENTAL NOMINATIONS INDICATING ITS REVISED ESTIMATED REQUIRE-MENTS DURING SUCH MONTH.\*\* (\* ) Suggested Deletion.
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RULE 9. (\*EACH MONTH, THE COMMISSION SHALL CAUSE TO BE SUBMITTED BY EACH GAS PURCHASER ITS "SUPPLEMENTAL NOMINATIONS" OF THE AMOUNT OF GAS WHICH EACH IN GOOD FAITH ACTUALLY DESIRES TO PURCHASE WITHIN THE ENSUING PRORATION MONTH FROM THE GAS POOL.) The Commission shall hold a public hearing between the 15th and 20th days of each month to determine the reasonable market demand for gas for the ensuing proration month, and shall issue a proration schedule setting out the amount of gas which each well may produce during the ensuing proration month. Included in the monthly proration schedule shall be a tabulation of allowable and production for the second preceding month (\*TOGETHER WITH AN ADJUSTED ALLOWABLE COMPUTATION FOR THE SECOND PRECEDING MONTH. SAID ADJUSTED ALLOWABLE SHALL BE COMPUTED BY COMPARING THE ACTUAL ALLOWABLE ASSIGNED WITH THE ACTUAL PRODUCTION. IN THE EVENT THE ALLOWABLE ASSIGNED IS GREATER THAN THE ACTUAL PRODUCTION, THE ALLOWABLES ASSIGNED THE TOP ALLOWABLE UNITS SHALL BE REDUCED PROPOR-TIONATELY, AND IN THE EVENT THE ALLOWABLE ASSIGNED IS LESS THAN THE PRODUCTION THEN THE ALLOVABLES ASSIGNED THE TOP ALLOVABLE UNITS SHALL BE INCREASED PROPORTIONATELY. "SUPPLEMENTAL NOMINATIONS" SHALL BE SUBMITTED ON A FORM PRESCRIBED BY THE COMMISSION.)

The Commission shall include in the proration schedule the gas wells in the Gas Fool delivering to a gas transportation facility, or lease gathering system, and shall include in the proration schedule of the Gas Fool any well which it finds is being unreasonably discriminated against through denial of access to a gas transportation facility, which is reasonably capable of handling the type of gas produced by such well. The total allowable to be allocated to the pool each month shall be equal to the sum of the supplemental nominations together with any adjustment which the Commission deems advisable. The allocation to a pool remaining after subtracting the capacities of marginal units shall be divided and allocated ratably among the nonmarginal units in the proportion that the acreage contained in each unit bears to the total acreage allotted to such non-marginal units. REVISIONS SUGGESTED BY PERMIAN BASIN PIPELINE COMPANY

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RULE 10. Underproduction: The dates 7:00 A.M., January 1 and 7:00 A.M., July 1, shall be known as balancing dates and the periods of time bounded by these dates shall be known as gas proration periods. The amount of current gas allowable remaining unproduced at the end of each proration period shall be carried forward to and may be produced during the next succeeding proration period in addition to the normal gas allowable for such succeeding period; but whatever amount thereof is not made up within the first succeeding proration period shall be cancelled. (\*IF AT THE END OF THE FIRST SUCCEEDING PRORATION PERIOD, A GREATER AMOUNT OF ALLOWABLE REMAINS UNPRODUCED THAN AS CARRIED FORWARD AS UNDERPRODUCTION, THE AMOUNT CARRIED FORWARD TO THE SECOND SUCCEEDING PERIOD SHALL BE THE TOTAL UNDERPRODUCTION LESS THE AMOUNT CARRIED FORWARD TO THE FIRST SUCCEEDING PERIOD.)

If it appears that such continued underproduction has resulted from inability of the well to produce its allowable, it may be classified as a marginal well and its allowable reduced to the well's ability to produce. (\* ) Suggested Deletion.
\*\* \*\* Suggested Addition.

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RULE 11. Overproduction: A well which has produced a greater amount of gas than was allowed during a given proration period shall have its allowable for the first succeeding proration period reduced by the amount of such overproduction and such overproduction shall be made up within the first succeeding proration period. If, at the end of the first succeeding proration period, the well is still overproduced, \*\*AND HAS MOT BLEM IN BALANCE SINCE THE END OF THE FRECEDING PRORATION PERIOD, THEN\*\* it shall be shut in and its current monthly allowable charged against said overproduction until the well is in balance. If, at any time, a well is overproduced an amount equaling six times its current monthly allowable, it shall be shut in until it is in balance.

The Commission may allow overproduction to be made up at a lesser rate than would be the case if the well were completely shut in upon a showing at public hearing after due notice that complete shut in of the well would result in material damage to the well.

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RULE 14. The monthly gas production from each gas well shall be metered (\* SEPARATELY) and the gas production therefrom shall be submitted to the Commission \*\*BY THE GAS PURCHASER\*\* on Form \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ so as to reach the Commission on or before the twentieth day of the month next succeeding the month in which the gas was produced. The (\* OPERATOR) \*\*GAS PURCHASER\*\* shall show on such report what disposition has been made of the gas produced. The full production of gas from each well shall be charged against the well's allowable regardless of what disposition has been made of the gas; provided, however that gas used on the lease for consumption in lease houses, treaters, combustion engines and other similar lease equipment shall not be charged against the well's allowable.

Copies of Form , Monthly Production Report, shall be distributed by the (\* OPERATOR) \*\*GAS PURCHASER\*\* as follows: Original to Oil Conservation Commission, Box 871, Santa Fe; two copies to Oil Conservation Commission, Box 2045, Hobbs, New Mexico. . .

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Mr. A. L. Hill El Paso Natural Gas Company, Chairman Advisory Committee to the New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission on Case 521 1006 Main Street Houston, Texas

Dear Sir:

Pursuant to your request the General Rules Subcommittee has completed formulating a final set of rules for gas provation in Lea, Eddy, Roosevelt, and Chaves Counties, New Mexico, which was adopted at the meeting of the General Rules Subcommittee on June 2, 1953.

It is to be pointed out that these rules in no way are binding on the member companies, but were adopted by a majority vote of the General Rules Sub-Committee.

Also, attached is a letter from the Amerada Petroleum Corporation dated May 27, 1953, which sets cut suggestions and/or opinions concerning the general rules which were adopted by the General Rules Subcommittee. This letter was read at our meeting on June 2, 1953, however, no action was taken on its contents since it was addressed to the Advisory Committee. Therefore, it is recommended that when your Committee considers the General Rules adopted by the General Rules Subcommittee that consideration be given to the contents of the attached letter.

Yours very truly,

SAMEDAN OIL CORPORATION, Chairman General Rules Sub-Committee

/s/ BY: George E. Trimble

Enclosure

# FINAL REPORT GENERAL RULES FOR GAS PRORATION IN LEA, EDDY, ROOSEVELT, AND CHAVES COUNTIES, NEW MEXICO

# (Modified definition #24 of State-Wide Rules)

GAS WELL shall mean a well producing gas or natural gas from a common source of gas supply from a gas pool determined by the Commission.

# Modified State-wide Rule 104 (f)

(f) The Secretary of the Commission shall have authority to grant an exception to the requirements of (a), (b), (c), and (d), (refer to Rule 104-0il Conservation Commission), above without notice and hearing where application has been filed in due form and

- (1) The necessity for the unorthodox location is based on topographical conditions, or is occasioned by the recompletion of a well previously drilled to another horizon, and
- (2) (a) The ownership of all oil and gas leases within a radiuscf 660 feet of the proposed location is common with the ownershipof the oil and gas leases under the proposed location, or
  - (b) All owners of oil and gas leases within such radius consent in writing to the proposed location.

## Modified State-wide Rule 104 (k)

The provisions of Statewide Rule 104, Paragraph (k) shall not apply to gas pools located in Lea, Eddy, Chaves, and Roosevelt, Counties, New Mexico.

# Suggested addition to State-wide Rule #506

RULE 506 (e)

In a gas pool, as defined by the Oil Conservation Commission, each proration unit containing an oil well producing in excess of five barrels of crude oil per day shall be permitted to produce an oil allowable calculated by dividing the gas allowable as assigned to a gas well on the same unit size as the oil well by the gas-oil ratio of the oil well. The maximum allowable which may be assigned well shall be the top unit oil allowable as determined by Rule 505 unless, after hearing, the Commission shall amend this rule as it applies to a particular pool in order to prevent waste.

## Modified State-wide Rule 601

#### RULE 601 ALLOCATION OF GAS PRODUCTION

(a) At such time as the Commission determines that allocation of gas production is necessary to prevent waste or to protect correlative rights the Commission, after notice and hearing, shall consider the nominations of purchasers from each gas pool and other relevant data, and shall fix the allowable production of each pool, and shall allocate production among the gas wells in the pool upon a reasonable basis with due regard for correlative rights. Unless special pool rules are adopted as provided in (b) below, the general rules of this section shall apply to each gas pool allocated under these rules.

(b) After notice and hearing, the Commission, in order to protect correlative rights, or prevent waste, or both, may promulgate special rules, regulations or orders pertaining to any gas pool.

(c) The term "gas purchaser" as used herein, shall mean the "taker" of gas at the wellhead and it shall be the responsibility of said "taker" to submit the nomination. An Operator of the gas well who takes gas at the well head and uses such gas for his own operations either on leases or in a fuel system shall submit the nomination form.

# Modified State-wide Rule 602

# RULE 602 PRORATION UNITS

For the purposes of gas allocation in the absence of special pool rules a standard proration unit shall consist of between 158 and 162 contiguous surface acres substantially in the form of a square which shall be a legal subdivision (quarter section) of the U. S. Public Land Surveys. Any allocation unit containing less than 158 acres or more than 162 acres shall be a non-standard unit and its allowable shall be decreased or increased to that proportion of the standard unit allowable that the number of acres contained therein bears to 160 acres.

#### Modified State-wide Rule 603

#### RULE 603 - ALLOCATION

(a) At least 30 days prior to the beginning of each gas proration period the

Commission shall hold a hearing after due notice has been issued. The Commission shall cause to be submitted by the purchasers of gas their nominations of the amount of gas which each in good faith actually desires to purchase within the ensuing proration period by months from each gas pool from which he purchases gas. The Commission shall consider nominations of purchasers, actual production, and such other factors as may be deemed applicable in determining the amount of gas that may be produced without waste within the ensuing proration period.

(b) The Commission shall cause to be submitted each month supplemental nominations from purchasers of gas in like manner as the nominations described above setting out changes, if any, which should be made due to fluctuations of market demand. The Commission shall hold a public hearing between the 15th and 20th days of each month to determine the reasonable market demand for gas for the ensuing proration month and shall issue a proration schedule setting out the amount of gas which each well may produce during the ensuing proration month. The Commission shall include in the proration schedule all wells producing from any reservoir appearing on the proration schedule. The total allowable to be allocated to the wells in the pool shall be determined by the Commission in the following manner: The total allowable for the current month shall be equal to the total market demand for the total allowable for the preceding month)less the net field status at the end of the second preceding month.

(c) The allocation to a pool remaining after subtracting the capacities of marginal units shall be divided and allocated ratably among the non-marginal units in the amount that the acreage contained in each unit bears to the total acreage allotted to such non-marginal units; provided that for this purpose standard units shall be as defined in Rule 602 above. More than one proration unit or fractional parts thereof may be assigned to a gas well and the allowables assigned said well may be increased proportionately provided that;

- (1) No more than 640 acres shall be assigned to any one well
- (2) All acreage in such units may reasonably be presumed to be productive of gas; and

(3) the multiple unit so formed shall not have an over-all length or width exceeding 5200 feet; and

(4) the well to which such additional units are assigned shall be located not closer to any boundary of such pooled units than the distance represented by 25% of the length of the longer of the two boundaries of said pooled unit which are adjacent to said first mentioned boundary. Frovided further, that where three proration units are pooled the well shall not be located more than 1320 feet from the nearest boundary of any unit so pooled.

(5) Exceptions to the provisions of this rule may be granted by the Commission after notice and hearing or after the Commission has been furnished waivers by all offset operators.

# Modified State Wide Rule 604

RULE 604 BALANCING OF PRODUCTION

(a) Underproduction

The dates 7:00 A. M. January 1, and 7:00 A. M. July 1, shall be known as balancing dates and the periods of time bounded by these dates shall be known as gas proration periods. The amount of current gas allowable remaining unproduced at the end of each proration period shall be carried forward to and may be produced during the next succeeding proration period in addition to the normal gas allowable for such succeeding period, but whatever amount thereof is not made up within the first succeeding proration period shall be cancelled. If, at the end of the first succeeding proration period a greater amount of allowable remains unproduced than was carried forward as underproduction, the amount carried forward to the second succeeding period shall be the total underproduction less the amount carried forward to the first succeeding period.

If it appears that such continued underproduction has resulted from inability of the well to produce its allowable, it may be classified as a marginal well and its allowable reduced to the well's ability to produce.

(b) Overproduction

A well which has produced a greater amount of gas than was allowed during a given proration period shall have its allowable for the first succeeding proration period reduced by the amount of such overproduction and such overproduction shall be made up within the first succeeding proration period. If at the end of the

first succeeding promation period the well is still overproduced it shall be shut in and its current monthly allowable charged against said overproduction until the well is in balance. If, at any time a well is overproduced as amount equalling six times its current monthly allowable, it shall be shut in until it is in balance.

The Commission may allow overproduction to be made up at a lesser rate than would be the case if the well were completely shut in upon a showing at public hearing after due notice that complete shut in of the well would result in material damage to the well.

# Modified State-Wide Rule #605

# RULE 605 GRANTING OF ALLOWABLES

(a) No gas well shall be given an allowable until Form C-104 has been filed together with a plat showing (1) acreage attributed to said well and (2) the locations of all wells on the lease and the immediately surrounding leases producing from the same reservoir and (3) the lease ownership of said leases.

(b) Allowables to newly completed gas wells shall commence on the date of completion or the date of filing of Form C-104 and plat described above, whichever date is later.

# Suggested Rule #606

# RULE 606 REPORTING OF PRODUCTION

The monthly gas production from each gas well shall be metered separately and the gas production therefrom shall be submitted to the Commission so as to reach the Commission on or before the twenty-fifth day of the month next succeeding the month in which the gas was produced. The operator shall shown on such form what disposition has been made of the gas produced. The full production of gas from each well shall be charged against the well's allowable regardless of what disposition has been made of the gas.