BEFORE THE OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO

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

THE APPLICATION OF CONTINENTAL OIL COMPANY FOR APPROVAL OF THE WEST ANDERSON RANCH UNIT AGREEMENT EMBRACING 5,344.34 ACRES OF LAND, MORE OR LESS, IN CHAVES, EDDY AND LEA COUNTIES, NEW MEXICO, WITHIN TOWNSHIPS 15 AND 16 S., RANGES 31 AND 32 E., N.M.P.M.

CASE No. ORDER No **R-509**

ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

BY THE COMMISSION:

This cause came on for hearing at 9:00 o'clock A.M. on the 7th day of July, 1954, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before the Oil Conservation Commission of New Mexico, hereinafter referred to as the "Commission".

NOW, on this 2^{74} day of July, 1954, the Commission, a quorum being present, having considered said application and the evidence introduced in support thereof, and being fully advised in the premises,

FINDS:

(1) That due public notice having been given as required by law, the Commission has jurisdiction of this cause and the subject matter thereof.

(2) That the proposed unit plan will in principle tend to promote the conservation of oil and gas and the prevention of waste.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

SECTION 1. That this order shall be known as the

WEST ANDERSON RANCH UNIT AGREEMENT ORDER

SECTION 2. (a) That the project herein referred to shall be known as the West Anderson Ranch Unit Agreement, and shall hereafter be referred to as the "Project".

(b) That the plan by which the Project shall be operated shall be embraced in the form of a unit agreement for the development and operation of the West Anderson Ranch Unit Area referred to in the Petitioner's petition and filed with said petition, and such plan shall be known as the West Anderson Ranch Unit Agreement Plan.

SECTION 3. That the West Anderson Ranch Unit Agreement Plan shall be, and hereby is, approved in principle as a proper conservation measure; provided, however, that notwithstanding any of the provisions contained in said unit agreement, this approval shall not be considered as waiving or relinquishing in any manner any right, duties or obligations which are now, or may hereafter, be vested in the New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission by law relative to the supervision and control of operations for exploration and development of any lands committed to said West Anderson Ranch Unit Agreement, or relative to the production of oil or gas therefrom.

SECTION 4. (a) That the Unit Area shall be:

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T. 15 S., R. 31 E., Chaves County, New Mexico Sec. 33: All Sec. 34: S¹/₂, W¹/₂NW¹/₄

T. 16 S., R. 31 E., Eddy County, New Mexico Sec. 1: All Sec. 2: Lots 1, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, $S_{\frac{1}{2}}^{\frac{1}{2}}$ Sec. 3: Lots 8, 9, 16, $E_{\frac{1}{2}}^{\frac{1}{2}}SE_{\frac{1}{4}}^{\frac{1}{4}}$

T. 16 S., R. 32 E., Lea County, New Mexico Sec. 5: Lots 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, $S_2^{\frac{1}{2}}$ Sec. 6: All Sec. 7: Lot 1, $NE_4^{\frac{1}{4}}NW_4^{\frac{1}{4}}$, $NE_4^{\frac{1}{4}}$ Sec. 8: $N_2^{\frac{1}{2}}$

containing 5,344.34 acres, more or less.

(b) The unit area may be enlarged or contracted as provided in said Plan.

SECTION 5. That the unit operator shall file with the Commission an executed original or executed counterpart of the West Anderson Ranch Unit Agreement within 30 days after the effective date thereof.

SECTION 6. That any party owning rights in the unitized substances who does not commit such rights to said unit agreement before the effective date thereof may thereafter become a party thereto by subscribing to such agreement or counterpart thereof, or by ratifying the same. The unit operator shall file with the Commission within 30 days an original of any such counterpart or ratification.

SECTION 7. That this order shall become effective upon approval of said unit agreement by the Commissioner of Public Lands of the State of New Mexico and shall terminate ipso facto upon the termination of said unit agreement. The last unit operator shall immediately notify the Commissioner in writing of such termination.

DONE at Santa Fe, New Mexico, the day and year hereinabove designated.

STATE OF NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION Chairman -2-

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