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:

CASE NO. 756 ORDER NO. R-533

THE APPLICATION OF AMERADA PETROLEUM CORPORATION FOR AN ORDER ESTABLISHING AN UNORTHODOX PRORATION UNIT IN THE SOUTH HALF OF THE NORTHEAST QUARTER OF SECTION 11, TOWNSHIP 13 SOUTH, RANGE 38 EAST, NMPM, BRONCO-SILURO-DEVONIAN POOL, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, BEING THE SW/4 AND LOT 2 OF SAID QUARTER SECTION, CONTAINING 66.61 ACRES OF LAND, MORE OR LESS.

ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

BY THE COMMISSION:

This cause came on for hearing at 9 a.m. on August 18, 1954, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before the Oil Conservation Commission of New Mexico, hereinafter referred to as the "Commission."

NOW, on this day of October, 1954, the Commission, a quorum being present, having considered the testimony adduced and the exhibits received at said hearing, and being fully advised in the premises,

FINDS:

- (1) That due notice of the time and place of hearing and the purpose thereof having been given as required by law, the Commission has jurisdiction of this cause and the subject matter thereof.
- (2) That the S/2 of the NE/4 of Section 11, Township 13 South, Range 38 East, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico, is composed of the SW/4 NE/4 containing 40 acres of land and Lot 2 containing 26.61 acres of land.
- (3) That the acreage in question lies within the defined limits of the Bronco-Siluro-Devonian Pool.
- (4) That a well drilled on Lot 2 would be entitled to only approximately 27/40 of the allowable assigned to a full 40-acre unit.
- (5) That the land in question lies adjacent to the State line between Texas and New Mexico, and that approval of this application would not be contrary to the provisions of the Bronco-Siluro-Devonian Pool rules as adopted by the Railroad Commission of Texas and this Commission.
- (6) That Amerada Petroleum Corporation is the owner of an oil and gas lease covering, among other lands, the S/2 of the NE/4 of Section 11, Township 13 South, Range 38 East, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico, and that applicant has heretofore completed a well in the SW/4 NE/4 of said Section 11, the well known as the Federal "B", No. 1, being completed in the common source of supply heretofore designated as the Bronco-Siluro-Devonian Pool.
- (7) That applicant's well, Federal "B", No. 1, will efficiently and economically drain the proposed proration unit; that the formation of the proposed unit will not result in waste, but will prevent the drilling of unnecessary wells and will protect correlative rights.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

(1) That the application of Amerada Petroleum Corporation for approval of an unorthodox proration unit consisting of the following acreage:

Township 13 South, Range 38 East, NMPM Lot 2 and the SW/4 NE/4 of Section 11

be, and the same hereby is approved, and approvation unit of the aforesaid acreage is hereby created.

(2) That applicant's well, Federal "B", No. 1, located in the SW/4 NE/4 of Section 11, Township 13 South, Range 38 East, NMPM, shall be granted an allowable effective October 1, 1954, in the proportion that the above-described 66.61-acre unit bears to the standard proration unit for said pool.

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

STATE OF NEW MEXICO

OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Edwin L. Mechem, Chairman

E. S. Walker, Member

W. B. Macey, Member and Secretary

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