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Mr. W. B. Macey, Director Oil Conservation Commission State Capitol Santa Fe, New Mexico

Dear Mr. Macey:

Attached is the application of Phillips Petroleum Company for an order pooling interests underlying their Copper No. 1 Well, Crosby-Devonian Pool, Lea County, New Mexico.

Due to the fact that this well at present is being deepened, we request that the hearing on this case be set as early as possible. A hearing before an examiner would be satisfactory.

Your consideration in this will be appreciated.

Yours very truly,

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REFORE THE CIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO

APPLICATION OF PHILLIPS PETROLEUM COMPANY FOR THE POOLING OF INTERESTS IN THE SE/4 OF SECTION 28, TOWNSHIP 25 SOUTH, RANGE 37 EAST, N.M.P.M., CROSBY-DEVONIAN POOL, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

NO. 978

Comes now Phillips Petroloum Company and makes application for an order pooling the rights and interests of all persons having the right to drill for, produce or share in the production of gas from the Davonian Sand underlying the spacing unit comprising the Southeast Quarter (SE/4) of Section 28, Township 25 South, Range 37 East, N.M.P.M., in the Crosby-Devomian Pool, Lea County, New Mexico, upon such terms and conditions as are just and reasonable and will afford to the owners of each tract or interest within such spacing unit the opportunity to recover or receive his just and equitable share of the gas in said pool, and in support thereof alleges:

- 1. Phillips Petroleum Company is the owner of an oil and gas lease upon and covering an undivided 3/4 mineral interest in and to the North 60 acres of said spacing unit.
- 2. A 1/8 royalty interest under said lease is owned as follows:

Harry Leonard, Roswell, New Mexico - 33.3333% S. H. Gloyd, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma - 50.0000% Saunders Estate, Roswell, New Mexico - 16.6667%

- 3. The remaining 1/4 mineral interest in and to the North 60 acres of said spacing unit is unleased and is owned by and in the proportions all as is shown on Exhibit "A" hereto attached and made a part hereof.
- 4. Woodley Petroleum Company is the owner of an oil and gas lease upon and covering the South 100 acres of said spacing unit.
- 5. A 1/8 royalty interest under said lease covering the South 100 acres of said spacing unit is owned as follows:

Harry Leonard, Roswell, New Mexico S. M. Gloyd, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma Saunders Estate, Roswell, New Mexico Persons shown on Exhibit "A" in the proportions shown opposite their names By Order No. R-639 entered by this Commission in Case Mo. 861 on May 27, 1955, a new gas pool was created and delineated and designated as the Crosby-Devonian Gas Pool, which order limited the drilling of wells in such pool to one well to each drilling or spacing unit of 160 acres, said acreage to be substantially in the form of a square conforming to a legal subdivision (quarter-section) of the United States Public Lands Survey, in which all the interests are consolidated by pooling agreement or otherwise, and on which unit no other well is completed or approved for completion in said pool. The hereinabove described spacing unit consisting of the SE/4 of Section 28, Township 25 South, Range 37 East, is included within the boundaries of said Crosby-Devonian Gas Pool as delineated by said Order No. R-639. 8. By Order No. R-589-A entered by this Commission in Case No. 853, the Commission approved the well location of Phillips Petroleum Company's Copper No. 1 well located 660 feet East of the West line and 560 feet South of the North line of the SE/4 of Section 28, Township 25 South, Range 37 East, which well was heretofore drilled to and produced from the Queen formation overlying the Crosby-Devonian formation and is now being deepened to the Crosby-Devonian formation. 9. All persons owning any right to drill for, produce or share in the production of gas from the Devonian Sand formation underlying the hereinabove described spacing unit, with the exception of the persons whose names, other than Gail Whitcomb and Charles B. Wrightman, appear on Exhibit "A" hereto attached, have agreed to the pooling of their rights and interests insofar as same relate to the Crosby-Devonian formation underlying said spacing unit and have agreed that said Copper well shall constitute **-** 2 **-**

the well permitted by Order No. R-639 to be drilled thereon. The persons whose names appear on Exhibit "A" hereto attached, other than Gail Whitcomb and Charles B. Wrightsman, have not agreed to the pooling of the rights and interests in and to said spacing unit nor upon the terms and conditions of the drilling of said Copper well as the well permitted to be drilled on said unit.

- 10. Applicant and the other owners of rights and interests within said spacing unit who have agreed upon the pooling of their interests within said spacing unit will be deprived of their opportunity to recover their just, equitable and fair share of the gas thereunder, waste will result, and the correlative rights of the parties will be violated unless an order is entered by this Cormission pooling the rights and interests of all persons therein and prescribing the terms and conditions upon which the parties shall share in the cost and expense of drilling said well to the Crosby-Devonian formation and in the production obtained therefrom
- 11. The pooling of said interests is in the interest of conservation, can be done without waste, and will protect the correlative rights of all parties.

WHEREFORE, applicant respectfully requests that the Oil Conservation Commission of the State of New Mexico enter an appropriate order pooling the rights and interests of all persons having the right to drill for, produce or share in the production of gas from the Devonian Sand formation underlying the hereinabove described spacing unit comprising the SE/4 of Section 28, Township 25 South, Range 37 East, Lea County, New Mexico, upon such terms and conditions as are just and reasonable and will afford to the owners of each tract or interest within such spacing unit the opportunity to recover or receive his just and equitable share of the gas in said pool, including provisions for the equitable sharing and payment of the cost and expense of drilling and operating the well drilled thereon and such other provisions as to the

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Commission may seem just and proper.

Respectfully submitted,
PHILLIPS PETROLEUM COMPANY

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