BEFORE THE OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF SAUL A. YAGER ET AL FOR THE COMPULSORY POOLING OF THE NWANWA OF SECTION 15, TOWNSHIP 32 NORTH, RANGE 10 WEST, SAN JUAN COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, WITH THE SWA, THE SANWA AND NEANWA OF SECTION 15, TOWNSHIP 32 NORTH, RANGE 10 WEST, SAN JUAN COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

Case No. 1000

APPLICATION

Come now Saul A. Yager, M. E. Gimp, Sam Mizel, Morris Mizel and Marian Cohn (formerly Marian Yager) by their attorneys, Campbell & Russell, and state:

- 1. Applicants are the owners of all the oil, gas and other minerals underlying the NW\(\frac{1}{4}\)NW\(\frac{1}{4}\) of Section 15, Township 32 North, Range 10 West, San Juan County, New Mexico. This mineral interest is unleased.
- 2. El Paso Natural Gas Company is the owner, or operator under communitization, of the balance of the $W_{\overline{Z}}^{1}$ of Section 15 of said township and range.
- 3. El Paso Natural Gas Company has recently completed its Heizer Pool Unit #1 Well in the NE¹/₄ of said Section 15 and proposes to drill a well in the SW¹/₄ of said Section 15 in accordance with the spacing pattern provided by this Commission for Mesa Verde wells in this area.
- 4. El Paso Natural Gas Company has requested Applicants to communitize their interest in the $NW_{\pm}^{1}NW_{\pm}^{1}$ of said section with the balance of the W_{\pm}^{1} of said section and pay in cash their proportionate part of the drilling costs of the proposed unit well.
- 5. Applicants are not in a position, under the circumstances, to pay such part of the drilling costs in cash.
- 6. El Paso Natural Gas Company has advised Applicants that it intends to seek from the Commission an exception to the

spacing pattern by a 280-acre gas unit, eliminating Applicants' acreage from the drilling unit.

7. The approval of El Paso Natural Gas Company's request or the denial of this application would deprive Applicants, as owners of the NW#NW# of said section, of the opportunity to recover their just and equitable share of the petroleum or natural gas, or both, in this pool.

WHEREFORE, Applicants request that the Commission issue its order compulsorily pooling the $NW_{\pm}^1NW_{\pm}^1$ of Section 15, Township 32 North, Range 10 West with the balance of the W_{2}^1 of said Section 15, and in said order Applicants request the Commission to determine the proper costs which shall be limited to the lowest actual expenditure required for such purpose, including a reasonable charge for supervision, and direct El Paso Natural Gas Company to withhold Applicants' share of said cost from the 7/8 working interest owned by Applicants in and under the $NW_{\pm}^1NW_{\pm}^1$ of said Section 15.

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