BEFORE THE OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

STATE OF NEW MEXICO

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF CLAUD E. AIKMAN FOR APPROVAL OF A NON-STANDARD DRILLING AND PRORATION UNIT CONSISTING OF THE N/2 NE/4, SE/4 NE/4, NE/4 SE/4, SEC. 24, T29N, R12W, OR IN THE ALTERNATIVE, FOR A 120-ACRE DRILL-ING AND PRORATION UNIT, AS AN EXCEPTION TO ORDER NO. R-565-C

APPLICATION

No. 1216

Comes now Claud E. Aikman, and applies to the Commission for approval of a non-standard drilling and proration unit of 160 acres, consisting of the N/2 NE/4, SE/4 NE/4, and NE/4 SE/4, Section 24, Township 29 North, Range 12 West, N.M.P.M., San Juan County, New Mexico, as an exception to Rule 2, Rule 3, and Rule 6 (a) of the Special Rules and Regulations for the Fulcher-Kutz Pictured Cliffs Gas Pool as contained in Order No. R-565-C, or in the alternative, for approval of a non-standard drilling and proration unit of 120 acres consisting of the N/2 NE/4, SE/4 NE/4, of said Section 24, and in support thereof, would show:

That the applicant is the owner and holder of the ex-1. clusive right to drill for and develop said lands in so far as the Pictured Cliffs gas formation is concerned.

2. That said acreage lies within one mile of the Fulcher-Kutz Pictured Cliffs Gas Pool as defined by the commission.

3. That applicant has been unable to pool or communitize his lands with the lands lying in the SW/4 NE/4 for the reason that said lands are federally-owned lands not presently available for leasing, due to a contest presently on file with the Bureau

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of Land Management, Department of Interior, all as shown by the official records on file with said Bureau of Land Management under the style and number: C. C. Thomas, application NM 019408.

4. That the proposed non-standard unit consists of contiguous quarter-quarter sections lying wholly within said Section 24, and the well to be drilled thereon will be located 990 feet from the North line and 990 feet from the East line of said section.

5. That all of the acreage within the proposed non-standard unit may reasonably be presumed to be productive of gas.

6. That unless this application is approved, applicant will be deprived of the opportunity of producing his fair share of the gas and/or liquid hydrocarbons underlying his lands.

Attached hereto, and made a part hereof, is a plat showing, in so far as applicant has been able to determine, the proposed unit, location of the proposed well, and ownership of all leases offsetting said lands.

WHEREFORE, applicant requests that this application be set for hearing before the Commission's duly appointed examiner in Santa Fe, New Mexico, and that after notice and hearing as required by law, applicant be granted the relief prayed for.

> Respectfully submitted, CLAUD E. AIKMAN

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> Proposed Unit Acreage In Same Lease