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IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF SUNRAY  
MID-CONTINENT OIL COMPANY FOR A TEMPORARY ORDER CREATING  
THE BISTI LOWER GALLUP OIL POOL, SAN JUAN COUNTY,  
NEW MEXICO, ESTABLISHING UNIFORM 80-ACRE PRORATION  
UNITS AND WELL SPACING, AND PROMULGATING SPECIAL  
RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR SAID POOL.

CASE NO. 1308

A P P L I C A T I O N

TO THE HONORABLE OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO:

COMES NOW Sunray Mid-Continent Oil Company and respectfully alleges and states as follows:

1. That the Lower Gallup formation underlying the following described area is productive of oil and gas and constitutes a single common source of supply which should be recognized and created as the Bisti Lower Gallup Oil Pool:

Sections 2, 3, and 4, Township 24 North, Range 10 West;  
Sections 19, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34 and 35,  
Township 25 North, Range 10 West; Sections 7, 13, 14, 15,  
16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30,  
35 and 36, Township 25 North, Range 11 West; Sections 3, 4,  
5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 23, 24  
and 25, Township 25 North, Range 12 West; Sections 1, 2, 3,  
4, 11 and 12, Township 25 North, Range 13 West; Sections 31  
and 32, Township 26 North, Range 12 West; Sections 26, 27,  
28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35 and 36, Township 26 North,  
Range 13 West; all in San Juan County, New Mexico.

2. That applicant and other parties own oil and gas leases within the above described area and have drilled thereon approximately 100 wells which are productive of oil and gas from the Lower Gallup formation, which formation has an average gross thickness of approximately 280 feet; and that said Lower Gallup formation was encountered at an approximate depth of 4968 feet in the British-American Oil Producing Company No. 1 Salge B, located in the NW/4 of the NW/4 of Section 34, Township 26 North, Range 13 West, San Juan County, and at an approximate depth of 4860 feet in the Shell Oil Company No. 1 Carson, located in the NE/4 of the NE/4 of Section 24, Township 25 North, Range 12 West, San Juan County, and at an approximate depth of 5353 feet in the Monsanto Chemical Company No. 1 Atlas, located in the NW/4 of the SE/4 of Section 34, Township 25 North, Range 10 West, San Juan County.

3. That a well density of no more than one well to each 80 acres has heretofore been maintained in the development of the above area.

4. That one well completed in the Lower Gallup formation will efficiently and economically drain and develop 80 acres; that all wells drilled to and completed in the Lower Gallup formation in the above described area should be located on 80-acre proration units comprising two adjacent governmental quarter-quarter sections within a single governmental quarter section, which units should run either North and South or East and West, and that wells projected to or completed in the Lower Gallup formation should be located on diagonal quarter-quarter sections within a governmental quarter section contained in a proration unit, and should be located not closer than 330 feet from the lines of such quarter-quarter section.

5. That well location exceptions should be granted to all wells drilled or actually drilling at the time of the filing of this application which are not located as prescribed by the Oil Conservation Commission in any order issued pursuant to this application.

6. That other special rules should be established, including provisions for the taking and reporting of proper gas-oil ratios and bottom hole pressure tests.

7. That this application should be granted in the interest of the prevention of waste, the protection of correlative rights, the prevention of the economic loss caused by the drilling of unnecessary wells, and for the recovery of the greatest amount of oil and gas.

8. That a copy of this application will be mailed no later than August 12, 1957, to the parties appearing on Exhibit "A" hereto, who are all of the interested parties known to this applicant.

WHEREFORE Applicant prays that this matter be set for hearing before this Commission, that notice thereof be given according to law, and that upon hearing of this application a temporary order be entered creating the Bisti Lower Gallup Oil Pool for production of oil and gas from the Lower Gallup common source of supply within the area herein described, establishing 80-acre proration units and providing for the location of wells as herein requested, providing for the taking of bottom hole pressure and gas-oil ratio tests as herein requested, and promulgating such other special rules and regulations as this Commission may deem proper and necessary.

Dated this 5<sup>th</sup> day of August, 1957.

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