

# CONTINENTAL OIL COMPANY

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New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission Post Office Box 871 Santa Fe, New Mexico

Attention: Mr. A. L. Porter, Jr., Secretary-Director

Re: Continental Oil Company's Application to Amend Order No. R-1445 to Commingle Production, Install Automatic Custody Transfer, and for an Exception to Rule 309 for the Wilder, Payne and Bradley 35 Leases, El Mar Pool, Lea County, New Mexico

Gentlemen:

Forwarded herewith are three copies of an application to amend Order No. R-1445 so as to permit Continental Oil Company to commingle production from the Wilder, Payne and Bradley 35 Leases, located in Sections 25, 26 and 35, T-26S, R-32E and Sections 30 and 31, T-26S, R-33E, N.M.P.M., Lea County, New Mexico, to install automatic custody transfer, and for an exception to Rule 309 to produce more than 16 wells into the common tank battery.

Please set the above application for an Examiner Hearing at your earliest convenience.

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## BEFORE THE OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

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#### STATE OF NEW MEXICO

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF CONTINENTAL OIL COMPANY FOR AMEND\_ MENT TO ORDER NO. R-1445 PERMITTING THANSPORTING TO A CENTRAL POINT AND COMMINGLING AFTER SEPARATE MEASURE-MENT THE PRODUCTION FROM ITS WILDER, PAYNE AND BRADLEY 35 LEASES LOCATED IN SECTIONS 25, 26 AND 35, T26S, R32E AND SECTIONS 30 AND 31, T26S, R32E, NMPM, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, TO PRO-DUCE MORE THAN 16 WELLS INTO THE COMMON TANK BATTERY AND TO INSTALL AUTOMATIC CUSTODY TRANSFER.

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## <u>A P P L I C A T I O N</u>

Comes now applicant, Continental Oil Company, and respectfully requests amendments to Order No. R-1445 for permission to transport to a central point for measurement and subsequently to commingle production from its Wilder, Payne and Bradley 35 Leases located in Sections 25, 26 and 35, T26S, R32E and Sections 30 and 31, T26S, R33E, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico; to produce more than 16 wells into the common tank battery; and to install automatic custody transfer facilities and in support thereof would show:

Applicant is the owner of (a) the Wilder Lease consisting
of Section 26; W/2, SE/4, K/2 NE/4 and SE/4 NE/4 Section 25, T26S, R32E;
(b) the Payne Lease consisting of Lots 1, 2, 3 and 4 in Section 35, T26S,
R32E, and S/2 and S/2 N/2 Section 30 and all of Section 31, T26S, R33E;
(c) the Bradley 35 Lease consisting of N/2 N/2 Section 35, T26S, R32E, NMPM,
Lea County, New Mexico.

2. That Order No. R-1445 granted permission to commingle only the above described lands located in T26S, R32E.

3. That the minerals under each of the above described leases are owned by the Federal Government.

4. That oil production has been obtained from each of the above described leases from the El Mar Delaware Pool.

5. That the three leases are in an isolated location and the installation of three separate tank batteries would require considerable additional difficulty and expense.

6. That applicant proposes to install accurate metering and test facilities for each lease at the central tank battery so that the production from each individual lease will be accurately measured and New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission Fage 2

reported and the performance of each well can be accurately checked.

7. That the maximum number of wells anticipated for each lease would be (a) 31 on Wilder, (b) 24 on Payne and, (c) four on Bradley 35.

8. That the proposed installation in exception to Rule 309 is in the interest of conservation and the prevention of waste.

Wherefore, applicant prays that this matter be set for hearing before the Commission's duly qualified examiner and that upon hearing Order No. E-1445 be amended granting applicant permission to commingle into a single tank battery the oil produced from the three leases as described hereinabove and to install automatic custody transfer facilities.

Respectfully submitted,

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Division Superintendent of Production New Mexico Division

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