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APPLICATION OF SHELL OIL COMPANY FOR AN UNORTHODOX GAS WELL LOCATION, LUSK-MORROW GAS POOL, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

APPLICATION

Comes now Shell Oil Company by its attorneys and applies to the New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission for approval of an unorthodox gas well location in the Lusk-Morrow Gas Pool, and in support of its application states:

- 1. That Shell Oil Company is the owner and operator of Section 31, Township 19 South, Range 32 East, Lea County, New Mexico, which section contains 640 acres, more or less.
- 2. That Shell Oil Company heretofore has drilled its Middleton Federal Well No. B-1 to the Strawn formation at a location 660 feet from the North line and 660 feet from the West line of said Section 31 which well was found to be nonproductive in the Strawn formation.
- 3. That Shell Oil Company seeks permission to deepen the said Middleton Federal Well No. B-l at the above described location and to attempt a completion of said well in the Lusk-Morrow Gas Pool.
- 4. That the location of the said Middleton Federal Well No. B-1, as above described, is unorthodox and an exception is needed to the provisions of Rule 3 of the Special Rules and Regulations for the Lusk-Morrow Gas Pool, order No. R-2373, case No. 2691.
- 5. That the approval of said unorthodox location will prevent waste and will protect correlative rights.

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WHEREFORE, the applicant, Shell Oil Company, requests that this application be set for hearing before the Commission or one of its examiners, and that following said hearing the Commission enter its order approving the unorthodox location of the Middleton Federal Well No. B-l as set forth in this application.

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