

**BEFORE THE OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION  
OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO**

**IN THE MATTER OF THE HEARING  
CALLED BY THE OIL CONSERVATION  
COMMISSION OF NEW MEXICO FOR  
THE PURPOSE OF CONSIDERING:**

**CASE No. 2852  
Order No. R-2164-A**

**APPLICATION OF AMERADA PETROLEUM  
CORPORATION FOR A TRIPLE COMPLETION  
AND FOR COMMINGLING, LEA COUNTY, NEW  
MEXICO.**

**ORDER OF THE COMMISSION**

**BY THE COMMISSION:**

This cause came on for hearing at 9 o'clock a.m. on July 10, 1963, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Elvis A. Utz, Examiner duly appointed by the Oil Conservation Commission of New Mexico, hereinafter referred to as the "Commission," in accordance with Rule 1214 of the Commission Rules and Regulations.

NOW, on this 7th day of August, 1963, the Commission, a quorum being present, having considered the application, the evidence adduced, and the recommendations of the Examiner, Elvis A. Utz, and being fully advised in the premises,

**FINDS:**

(1) That due public notice having been given as required by law, the Commission has jurisdiction of this cause and the subject matter thereof.

(2) That Order No. R-2164 authorized the applicant, Amerada Petroleum Corporation, to complete the State NJ "A" Well No. 1, located in Unit A of Section 2, Township 25 South, Range 37 East, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico, as a triple completion (combination) in the Fusselman, McKee, and Ellenburger formations adjacent to the North Justis Field.

(3) That Administrative Order PC-84 authorized the applicant to commingle production from the Blinebry, Tubb-Drinkard, Waddell, McKee, Devonian, Fusselman, and Ellenburger zones of the North Justis Field on its State NJ "A" Lease after separately metering the production from each pool.

(4) That the applicant now seeks authority to complete its State NJ "A" Well No. 1 as a triple completion (combination) to produce oil from the McKee and Ellenburger zones through 1 1/2-inch tubing installed in parallel strings of 3 1/2-inch casing

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and to produce oil from the Montoya zone through 1 1/4-inch tubing installed in a parallel string of 2 7/8-inch casing, all casing strings to be cemented in the common well bore.

(5) That the applicant also seeks to amend Administrative Order PC-84 to provide that the Montoya production on its State NJ "A" Lease may be commingled in the same manner and to the same extent as authorized for other zones on said lease by Administrative Order PC-84.

(6) That the mechanics of the proposed triple completion are feasible and in accord with good conservation practices.

(7) That approval of the subject application will prevent waste and protect correlative rights.

(8) That Order No. R-2164 should be superseded.

(9) That Administrative Order PC-84 should be amended to authorize commingling as set out above.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

(1) That the applicant, Amerada Petroleum Corporation, is hereby authorized to complete its State NJ "A" Well No. 1, located in Unit A of Section 2, Township 25 South, Range 37 East, NMPM, North Justis Field, Lea County, New Mexico, as a triple completion (combination) to produce oil from the McKee and Ellenburger zones through 1 1/2-inch tubing installed in parallel strings of 3 1/2-inch casing and to produce oil from the Montoya zone through 1 1/4-inch tubing installed in a parallel string of 2 7/8-inch casing, all casing strings to be cemented in the common well bore.

PROVIDED HOWEVER, That the applicant shall complete, operate, and produce said well in accordance with the provisions of Rule 112-A of the Commission Rules and Regulations insofar as said rule is not inconsistent with this order.

PROVIDED FURTHER, That the applicant shall take zone segregation tests upon completion and annually thereafter during the Gas-Oil Ratio Test Period for the Ellenburger zone.

(2) That Administrative Order PC-84 is hereby ordered amended to provide that the applicant may commingle the Montoya production on its State NJ "A" Lease in the same manner and to the same extent as authorized for other zones in said lease by Administrative Order PC-84.

(3) That Order No. R-2164 is hereby superseded.

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(4) That jurisdiction of this cause is retained for the entry of such further orders as the Commission may deem necessary.

DONE at Santa Fe, New Mexico, on the day and year hereinabove designated.

STATE OF NEW MEXICO  
OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

*Jack M. Campbell*  
JACK M. CAMPBELL, Chairman

*E. S. Walker*  
E. S. WALKER, Member

*A. L. Porter, Jr.*  
A. L. PORTER, Jr., Member & Secretary

