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. 4813 Order No. R-4394

APPLICATION OF INEXCO OIL COMPANY FOR APPROVAL OF THE SITTING BULL UNIT AGREEMENT, EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

BY THE COMMISSION:

This cause came on for hearing at 9 o'clock a.m. on September 13, 1972, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner Daniel S. Nutter.

NOW, on this 18th day of September, 1972, the Commission, a quorum being present, having considered the testimony, the record, and the recommendations of the Examiner, 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 the applicant, Inexco Oil Company, seeks approval of the Sitting Bull Unit Agreement covering 6,964.54 acres, more or less, of Federal lands described as follows:

> EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO TOWNSHIP 23 SOUTH, RANGE 22 EAST, NMPM Sections 28 and 29: All Sections 31 through 33: All

> TOWNSHIP 24 SOUTH, RANGE 22 EAST, NMPM Sections 4 through 9: All

(3) That approval of the proposed unit agreement should promote the prevention of waste and the protection of correlative rights within the unit area.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

(1) That the Sitting Bull Unit Agreement is hereby approved.

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(2) That the plan contained in said unit agreement for the development and operation of the unit area is hereby approved in principle as a proper conservation measure; provided, however, that notwithstanding any of the provisions contained in said unit agreement, this approval shall not be considered as waiving or relinguishing, in any manner, any right, duty, or obligation which is now, or may hereafter be, vested in the Commission to supervise and control operations for the exploration and development of any lands committed to the unit and production of oil or gas therefrom.

(3) That the unit operator shall file with the Commission an executed original or executed counterpart of the unit agreement within 30 days after the effective date thereof; that in the event of subsequent joinder by any party or expansion or contraction of the unit area, the unit operator shall file with the Commission within 30 days thereafter counterparts of the unit agreement reflecting the subscription of those interests having joined or ratified.

(4) That this order shall become effective upon the approval of said unit agreement by the Director of the United States Geological Survey; that this order shall terminate <u>ipso facto</u> upon the termination of said unit agreement; and that the last unit operator shall notify the Commission immediately in writing of such termination.

(5) 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.



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STATE OF NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

1. BRUCE KING, Chairman ARMIJO. Member

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OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

STATE OF NEW MEXICO P. O. BOX 2088 - SANTA FE 87501

September 19, 1972

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Re: Case No. 4813 Order No. R-4394 Applicant:

Inexco Oil Company

Dear Sir:

Enclosed herewith are two copies of the above-referenced Commission order recently entered in the subject case.

Very truly yours, Jarten Co

A. L. PORTER, Jr. Secretary-Director

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Copy of order also sent to:

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State of New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission P. O. Box 2088 Santa Fe, New Mexico

> Re: CASE NO. 4813 ORDER NO. R-4394 SITTING BULL UNIT

Gentlemen:

Pursuant to the above order, we enclose herewith one copy each of the Unit Agreement and Unit Operating Agreement for the Sitting Bull Unit, Eddy County, New Mexico. Attached to each is a full set of Consent and Ratification instruments.

Very truly yours,

INEXCO OIL GOMPANY

Wm. J. GREEN

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