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. 5219 Order No. R-4784-A

IN THE MATTER OF CASE NO. 5219 BEING REOPENED PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF ORDER NO. R-4784, WHICH ORDER ESTABLISHED TEMPORARY SPECIAL POOL RULES FOR THE SOUTH EMPIRE-WOLFCAMP POOL, EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, INCLUDING A PROVISION FOR 80-ACRE SPACING.

ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

BY THE COMMISSION:

This cause came on for hearing at 9 a.m. on April 16, 1975, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner Daniel S. Nutter.

NOW, on this <u>6th</u> day of May, 1975, 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 by Order No. R-4784, dated May 21, 1974, temporary special rules and regulations were promulgated for the South Empire-Wolfcamp Pool, Eddy County, New Mexico, establishing temporary 80-acre spacing units.
- (3) That pursuant to the provisions of Order No. R-4784, this case was reopened to allow the operators in the subject pool to appear and show cause why the South Empire-Wolfcamp Pool should not be developed on 40-acre spacing units.
 - (4) That the evidence establishes that one well in the South Empire-Wolfcamp Pool can efficiently and economically drain and develop 80 acres.
- (5) That the Special Rules and Regulations promulgated by Order No. R-4784 have afforded and will afford to the owner of each property in the pool the opportunity to produce his just and equitable share of the oil in the pool.

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That in order to prevent the economic loss caused by the drilling of unnecessary wells, to avoid the augmentation of risk arising from the drilling of an excessive number of wells, to prevent reduced recovery which might result from the drilling of too few wells, and to otherwise prevent waste and protect correlative rights, the Special Rules and Regulations promulgated by Order No. R-4784 should be continued in full force and effect until further order of the Commission.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

- That the Special Rules and Regulations governing the South Empire-Wolfcamp Pool, Eddy County, New Mexico, promulgated by Order No. R-4784, are hereby continued in full force and effect until further order of the Commission.
- 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

TRUJILLO, Chairman

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