

BEFORE THE
OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

NEW MEXICO DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY, MINERALS AND NATURAL RESOURCES

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION
OF TEXACO EXPLORATION AND
PRODUCTION, INC. FOR SPECIAL POOL RULES,
LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

CASE NO. 10777

APPLICATION

TEXACO EXPLORATION AND PRODUCTION, INC., by its undersigned attorneys, hereby makes application to the Oil Conservation Division for an Order promulgating Special Pool Rules and Regulations for the North Teague-Ellenberger Pool and in support thereof states:

1. Texaco Exploration and Production, Inc. is the operator of certain wells in the North Teague-Ellenberger Pool which was established on July 1, 1988 by Order No. R-8668 and has been subsequently extended to include the following acreage:

Township 23 South, Range 37 East, N.M.P.M.

Section 4: SW/4
Section 9: NW/4

2. The wells in the North Teague-Ellenberger Pool are operated under statewide rules with a depth bracket allowable of 320 barrels of oil per day.

3. Certain wells in the Ellenberger formation in this pool and surrounding area can produce at rates in excess of the currently authorized rates, and that this allowable limitation is unwarranted and will result in inefficient production practices.

4. Texaco Exploration and Production, Inc. seeks establishment of a special Depth Bracket Allowable for the North Teague-Ellenberger Pool of 700 barrels of oil per day.

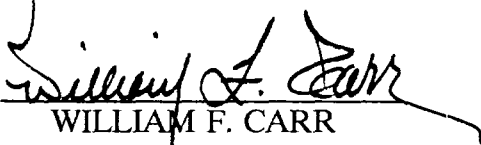
5. Approval of this application will result in the production of hydrocarbons which otherwise will not be produced and will otherwise be in the best interest of conservation and the protection of correlative rights.

WHEREFORE, Texaco Exploration and Production, Inc. requests that this application be set for hearing before a duly appointed Examiner of the Oil Conservation Division on July 29, 1993 and that, after notice and hearing as required by law and the rules of the Division, the Division enter its Order promulgating Special Pool Rules and Regulations for the North Teague-Ellenberger Pool including provisions for a special depth bracket allowable of 700 barrels per day.

Respectfully submitted,

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