

Dockets Nos. 23-90 and 24-90 are tentatively set for August 22, 1990 and September 5, 1990. Applications for hearing must be filed at least 22 days in advance of hearing date.

DOCKET: EXAMINER HEARING - WEDNESDAY - AUGUST 8, 1990

8:15 A.M. - OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION CONFERENCE ROOM,  
STATE LAND OFFICE BUILDING  
SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

The following cases will be heard before Michael E. Stogner, Examiner, or David R. Catanach, Alternate Examiner:

- ALLOWABLE: (1) Consideration of the allowable production of gas for September, 1990, from fourteen prorated gas pools in Lea, Eddy, and Chaves Counties, New Mexico.
- (2) Consideration of the allowable production of gas for September, 1990, from four prorated gas pools in San Juan, Rio Arriba, and Sandoval Counties, New Mexico.

CASE 9961: (Continued from June 27, 1990, Examiner Hearing.)

Application of Mewbourne Oil Company for compulsory pooling, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests from the surface to the base of the Morrow formation underlying the E/2 of Section 18, Township 17 South, Range 27 East, forming a standard 320-acre gas spacing and proration unit for any and all formations and/or pools within said vertical extent developed on 320-acre spacing, which presently includes but is not necessarily limited to the Undesignated Logan Draw-Cisco Canyon Gas Pool, Undesignated Riverside-Atoka Gas Pool, and Undesignated Logan Draw-Morrow Gas Pool. Said unit is to be dedicated to a single well to be drilled at a standard gas well location thereon. Also to be considered will be the cost of drilling and completing said well and the allocation of the cost thereof as well as actual operating costs and charges for supervision, designation of applicant as operator of the well and a charge for risk involved in drilling said well. Said unit is located approximately 1 mile east of Riverside, New Mexico.

CASE 10001: (Continued from July 11, 1990, Examiner Hearing.)

Application of Santa Fe Energy Operating Partners, L. P. for compulsory pooling, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests from 5000 feet below the surface to the base of the Morrow formation underlying the E/2 of Section 20, Township 17 South, Range 29 East, forming a standard 320-acre gas spacing and proration unit for any and all formations and/or pools developed on 320-acre spacing within said vertical extent (which presently includes but is not necessarily limited to the Undesignated North Grayburg-Atoka Gas Pool, Undesignated Grayburg-Atoka Gas Pool, Undesignated Grayburg-Morrow Gas Pool, and Undesignated South Empire-Morrow Gas Pool). Said unit is to be dedicated to a well to be drilled at a standard gas well location thereon. Also to be considered will be the cost of drilling and completing said well and the allocation of the cost thereof as well as actual operating costs and charges for supervision, designation of applicant as operator of the well and a charge for risk involved in drilling said well. Said unit is located approximately 6.5 miles west of Loco Hills, New Mexico.

CASE 10028: Application of Bridge Oil (U.S.A.) Inc. for an unorthodox oil well location, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval of an unorthodox oil well location 990 feet from the North line and 2310 feet from the East line (Unit B) of Section 12, Township 16 South, Range 36 East, to test the Undesignated Northeast Lovington-Pennsylvanian Pool, the N/2 NE/4 of said Section 12 to be dedicated to said well forming a standard 80-acre oil spacing and proration unit for said pool. Said location is approximately 3 miles east of Lovington, New Mexico.

CASE 10029: (This case will be dismissed.)

Application of Giant Exploration and Production Company for compulsory pooling, San Juan County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests in the Basin-Fruitland Coal Gas Pool underlying the E/2 of Section 32, Township 25 North, Range 12 West, forming a standard 320-acre gas spacing and proration unit for said pool, said unit to be dedicated to its proposed Bisti Coal "32" Com Well No. 1 to be drilled at a standard coal gas well location in the NE/4 of said Section 32. Also to be considered will be the cost of drilling and completing said well and the allocation of the cost thereof as well as actual operating costs and charges for supervision, designation of applicant as operator of the well and a charge for risk involved in drilling said well. Said unit is located approximately 9.5 miles southwest of the B.I.A. Huerfano Community School.

CASE 10030: Application of Nearburg Producing Company for an unorthodox gas well location, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for an unorthodox gas well in the Strawn formation for its existing Rose "12-A" Well No. 1, which was drilled in September, 1988 at a previously approved unorthodox gas well location for the Undesignated Boyd-Morrow Gas Pool (Division Order No. R-8752), 990 feet from the North and East lines (Unit A) of Section 12, Township 19 South, Range 25 East. Further, the N/2 of said Section 12 is to be dedicated to said well forming a standard 320-acre gas spacing and proration unit in either the Undesignated Boyd Permo-Pennsylvanian Gas Pool or Undesignated West Four Mile-Strawn Gas Pool. Said well is located approximately 5 miles northwest of Lakewood, New Mexico.

CASE 10031: Application of Nearburg Producing Company for a non-standard oil proration unit, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for an 80-acre non-standard oil spacing and proration unit comprising the W/2 NE/4 of Section 31, Township 19 South, Range 25 East, Undesignated North Dagger Draw-Upper Pennsylvanian Pool. Said unit is to be dedicated to a well to be drilled at a standard oil well location thereon. Said unit is located approximately 9 miles west by south of Lakewood, New Mexico.

CASE 10032: Application of Nearburg Producing Company for an unorthodox gas well location, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an exception to Rule 4 of the Special Rules and Regulations for the North Osado-Morrow Gas Pool authorizing an unorthodox gas well location 990 feet from the North line and 1980 feet from the East line (Unit B) of Section 6, Township 20 South, Range 36 East, all of said Section 6 to be dedicated to said well forming a standard 637.18-acre gas spacing and proration unit for said pool. This area is located approximately 7.5 miles west by south of Monument, New Mexico.

CASE 10033: Application of Nearburg Producing Company for amendment of Division Order No. R-9168, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks to amend Division Order No. R-9168, which order authorized the compulsory pooling of all mineral interests in the Northeast Lovington-Pennsylvanian Pool underlying the E/2 NW/4 of Section 17, Township 16 South, Range 37 East, thereby forming a standard 80-acre oil spacing and proration unit for said pool, to be dedicated to a well to be drilled at a standard oil well location in the NE/4 NW/4 (Unit C) of said Section 17, by pooling all mineral interests in the N/2 NW/4 of said Section 17 instead of the E/2 NW/4 as originally proposed. Applicant also requests that all other provisions of said Order No. R-9168 remain in full force and effect. Said unit is located approximately 1.25 miles south of Mile Marker No. 4.5 on old State Highway No. 83.

CASE 10034: Application of Nearburg Producing Company for salt water disposal, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks authority to re-enter and deepen the Mark Production Company Holston Com Well No. 1 (plugged and abandoned July 1974), located 660 feet from the North line and 1980 feet from the East line (Unit B) of Section 4, Township 20 South, Range 25 East, and utilize said wellbore to dispose of produced salt water into the Devonian formation. Said well is located approximately 4 miles west by north of Seven Rivers, New Mexico.

CASE 10035: Application of Enron Oil and Gas Company for compulsory pooling, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests from a depth of 5000 feet to the base of the Bone Spring formation underlying the NE/4 NW/4 (Unit C) of Section 18, Township 18 South, Range 31 East, forming a standard 40-acre oil spacing and proration unit for any and all formations and/or pools within said vertical extent developed on 40-acre spacing, which presently includes but is not necessarily limited to the North Shugart-Bone Spring Pool and possibly the lower portion of the Shugart Yates-Seven Rivers-Queen-Grayburg Pool. Said unit is to be dedicated to a well to be drilled at a standard oil well location thereon. Also to be considered will be the cost of drilling and completing said well and the allocation of the cost thereof as well as actual operating costs and charges for supervision, designation of applicant as operator of the well and a charge for risk involved in the drilling of said well. Said unit is located approximately 4.5 miles south-southwest of the junction of U.S. Highway 82 and New Mexico State Highway 529.

CASE 10036: Application of Texaco, Inc. for amendment of Division Order No. R-8170, as amended, to establish a minimum gas allowable for the Eumont Gas Pool, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks to amend the "General Rules For The Prorated Gas Pools of New Mexico/Special Rules and Regulations for the Eumont Gas Pool" as promulgated by Division Order No. R-8170, as amended, to provide for a minimum natural gas allowable for the Eumont Gas Pool for a three-year period of time equal to 600 m.c.f. of gas per day for an Acreage Factor of 1.00 or 2400 m.c.f. of gas per day for a standard Eumont 640-acre gas spacing and proration unit.

CASE 9995: (Continued from July 25, 1990, Examiner Hearing.)

Application of Sendero Petroleum, Inc. for compulsory pooling, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests in the Undesignated Indian Basin-Upper Pennsylvanian Gas Pool underlying all of Section 8, Township 21 South, Range 23 East, forming a standard 640-acre gas spacing and proration unit for said pool, to be dedicated to the plugged and abandoned Santa Fe Exploration Company Indian Basin Federal Well No. 1 located at a previously authorized unorthodox gas well location (NSL-2809, dated June 7, 1990) 660 feet from the South and East lines (Unit P) of said Section 8. Also to be considered will be the cost of re-entering and recompleting said well and the allocation of the cost thereof as well as actual operating costs and charges for supervision, designation of applicant as operator of the well and a charge for risk involved in the re-entering and recompletion of said well. Said unit is located approximately 3.75 miles west-northwest of the Marathon Oil Company Indian Basin Gas Plant.

CASE 10037: Application of BTA Oil Producers for salt water disposal, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks authority to dispose of produced salt water into the Yates formation in the perforated interval from approximately 3,300 feet to 4,000 feet in its East Lovington "17" Well No. 1 (formerly the Harvey E. Yates Company East Lovington "17" State Well No. 1, plugged and abandoned October 1988) located 660 feet from the North line and 760 feet from the East line (Unit A) of Section 17, Township 16 South, Range 37 East, which is approximately 5 miles east by south of Lovington, New Mexico.

CASE 9997: (Continued from July 25, 1990, Examiner Hearing.)

Application of TXO Production for compulsory pooling, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests from the surface to the base of the Morrow formation underlying the following described acreage in Section 20, Township 19 South, Range 25 East, and in the following manner: the E/2 to form a standard 320-acre gas spacing and proration unit for any and all formations and/or pools developed on 320-acre spacing within said vertical extent (which presently includes but is not necessarily limited to the Undesignated North Cemetery-Atoka Gas Pool, Cemetery-Morrow Gas Pool and Undesignated Boyd-Morrow Gas Pool); the SE/4 to form a standard 160-acre gas spacing and proration unit for any and all formations and/or pools developed on 160-acre spacing within said vertical extent (which presently includes the Undesignated North Dagger Draw-Upper Pennsylvanian Gas Pool); and the NE/4 SE/4 to form a standard 40-acre oil spacing and proration unit for any and all formations and/or pools developed on 40-acre spacing within said vertical extent. Said units are to be dedicated to a single well to be drilled at a standard location 1980 feet from the South line and 660 feet from the East line (Unit I) of said Section 20. Also to be considered will be the cost of drilling and completing said well and the allocation of the cost thereof as well as actual operating costs and charges for supervision, designation of applicant as operator of the well and a charge for risk involved in drilling said well. Said area is located approximately 7.5 miles west by north of Lakewood, New Mexico.

CASE 10038: Application of Nassau Resources, Inc. for infill drilling in the Basin-Fruitland Coal Gas Pool on its Carracas Canyon Unit, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an exception to Division General Rule 104.C.II., pursuant to Division Memorandum dated July 27, 1988, by instituting an infill drilling program within its Carracas Canyon Unit Area located in portions of Townships 31 and 32 North, Ranges 4 and 5 West, to drill, complete and produce a second coal gas well within an existing 320-acre gas spacing and proration unit in the Basin-Fruitland Coal (Gas) Pool. Said unitized area is located approximately 17 miles west by north of Dulce, New Mexico.

CASE 10017: (Continued from July 25, 1990, Examiner Hearing.)

Application of Meridian Oil, Inc. for an unorthodox coal gas well location, San Juan County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval of an unorthodox coal gas well location for its existing Morris Well No. 1 located 1190 feet from the South line and 990 feet from the East line (Unit P) of Section 15, Township 27 North, Range 10 West, the E/2 of said Section 15 to be dedicated to a well to form a standard 320-acre gas spacing and proration unit for said pool. Said well is located approximately 10.5 miles south by west of Blanco, New Mexico.

CASE 10019: (Continued from July 25, 1990, Examiner Hearing.)

Application of Meridian Oil, Inc. for an unorthodox coal gas well location, San Juan County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval of an unorthodox coal gas well location for its existing Kutz Canyon Oil and Gas Well No. 1 located 990 feet from the South line and 1650 feet from the East line (Unit O) of Section 17, Township 28 North, Range 10 West, the S/2 of said Section 17 to be dedicated to the well to form a standard 320-acre gas spacing and proration unit for said pool. Said well is located approximately 6.25 miles southwest of Blanco, New Mexico.

CASE 10020: (Continued from July 25, 1990, Examiner Hearing.)

Application of Meridian Oil, Inc. for an unorthodox coal gas well location, San Juan County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval of an unorthodox coal gas well location for its existing Kutz Deep Test Well No. 1 located 990 feet from the South line and 1650 feet from the East line (Unit O) of Section 21, Township 28 North, Range 10 West, the E/2 of said Section 21 to be dedicated to the well to form a standard 320-acre gas spacing and proration unit for said pool. Said well is located approximately 6.5 miles southeast of Bloomfield, New Mexico.

CASE 10021: (Continued from July 25, 1990, Examiner Hearing.)

Application of Meridian Oil, Inc. for an unorthodox coal gas well location, San Juan County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval of an unorthodox coal gas well location for its existing Kutz Deep Test Well No. 2 located 990 feet from the South and East lines (Unit P) of Section 28, Township 28 North, Range 10 West, the S/2 of said Section 28 to be dedicated to the well to form a standard 320-acre gas spacing and proration unit for said pool. Said well is located approximately 7.25 miles south-southwest of Blanco, New Mexico.

CASE 10022: (Continued from July 25, 1990, Examiner Hearing.)

Application of Meridian Oil, Inc. for an unorthodox coal gas well location, San Juan County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval of an unorthodox coal gas well location for its existing Feasel "A" Well No. 3 located 990 feet from the North line and 1070 feet from the West line (Unit D) of Section 34, Township 28 North, Range 10 West, the W/2 of said Section 34 to be dedicated to the well to form a standard 320-acre gas spacing and proration unit for said pool. Said well is located approximately 7.25 miles south-southwest of Blanco, New Mexico.

CASE 10039: Application of Meridian Oil, Inc. for an unorthodox coal gas well location, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval of its Rosa Unit Well No. 222 drilled at an unorthodox coal gas well location 1910 feet from the North line and 635 feet from the East line (Unit H) of Section 15, Township 31 North, Range 6 West, Basin-Fruitland Coal (Gas) Pool, the E/2 of said Section 15 dedicated to said well forming a standard 320-acre gas spacing and proration unit for said pool. This application should also serve to correct all previous well records which had the subject well located at a standard coal gas well location, based upon an original survey made by Northwest Pipeline Corporation, 1880 feet from the North line and 830 feet from the East line (Unit H) of said Section 15. Said proration unit is located approximately 9.5 miles east by south of the Navajo Reservoir Dam.

CASE 10040: Application of Meridian Oil, Inc. for an unorthodox coal gas well location, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval of its Rosa Unit Well No. 201 drilled at an unorthodox coal gas well location 1640 feet from the North line and 420 feet from the East line (Unit H) of Section 22, Township 31 North, Range 6 West, Basin-Fruitland Coal (Gas) Pool, the E/2 of said Section 22 dedicated to said well forming a standard 320-acre gas spacing and proration unit for said pool. This application should also serve to correct all previous well records which had the subject well located at a standard coal gas well location, based upon an original survey made by Northwest Pipeline Corporation, 1230 feet from the North line and 1330 feet from the East line (Unit B) of said Section 22. Said proration unit is located approximately 9.25 miles east of the Navajo Reservoir Dam.

CASE 10041: Application of Meridian Oil, Inc. for five non-standard gas proration units, San Juan County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an exception to Rule 6 of Division Order No. R-8768 to establish five non-standard gas spacing and proration units for Basin-Fruitland Coal (Gas) Pool production in Irregular Sections 12, 13, 24, 25, and 36, Township 30 North, Range 6 West. Said row of Sections are located approximately 5 to 9 miles north by west of Gobernador, New Mexico.

CASE 10042: Application of Meridian Oil, Inc. for six non-standard gas proration units, San Juan County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an exception to Rule 6 of Division Order No. R-8789 to establish six non-standard gas spacing and proration units for Basin-Fruitland Coal (Gas) Pool production in Irregular Sections 30 and 31, Township 30 North, Range 7 West and Irregular Sections 6, 7, 18, and 19, Township 29 North, Range 7 West. Said row of Sections are located approximately 18 miles east of Blanco, New Mexico.

CASE 8350: (Reopened) (Continued from March 30, 1987, Commission Hearing.)

In the matter of Case 8350 being reopened pursuant to the provisions of Commission Order No. R-7745, which order promulgated temporary special rules and regulations for the Gavilan Greenhorn-Graneros-Dakota Oil Pool in Rio Arriba County, including a provision for 320-acre spacing units. Operators in said pool may appear and show cause why said pool should not be developed on 40-acre spacing units.

CASE 10043: Application of D. J. Simmons Company for compulsory pooling, San Juan County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests in the Basin-Fruitland Coal (Gas) Pool underlying all of Section 7, Township 28 North, Range 10 West, forming a standard 257.95-acre gas spacing and proration unit for said pool, to be dedicated to a well to be drilled at a standard coal gas well location in the SW/4 (equivalent) of said Section 7. Also to be considered will be the cost of drilling and completing said well and the allocation of the cost thereof as well as actual operating costs and charges for supervision, designation of applicant as operator of the well and a charge for risk involved in drilling said well. Said unit is located approximately 4 miles southeast of Bloomfield, New Mexico.

CASE 10044: Application of D. J. Simmons Company for compulsory pooling, San Juan County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests in the Basin-Fruitland Coal (Gas) Pool underlying the E/2 of Section 20, Township 28 North, Range 10 West, forming a standard 320-acre gas spacing and proration unit for said pool, to be dedicated to a well to be drilled at a standard coal gas well location in the NE 1/4 of said Section 20. Also to be considered will be the cost of drilling and completing said well and the allocation of the cost thereof as well as actual operating costs and charges for supervision, designation of applicant as operator of the well and a charge for risk involved in drilling said well. Said unit is located approximately 5.5 miles southeast of Bloomfield, New Mexico.

CASE 10045: Application of D. J. Simmons Company for compulsory pooling, San Juan County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests in the Basin-Fruitland Coal (Gas) Pool underlying the W/2 of Section 22, Township 28 North, Range 10 West, forming a standard 320-acre gas spacing and proration unit for said pool, to be dedicated to a well to be drilled at a standard coal gas well location in the SW/4 of said Section 22. Also to be considered will be the cost of drilling and completing said well and the allocation of the cost thereof as well as actual operating costs and charges for supervision, designation of applicant as operator of the well and a charge for risk involved in drilling said well. Said unit is located approximately 6 miles southwest by south of Blanco, New Mexico.

CASE 10046: Application of D. J. Simmons Company for compulsory pooling, San Juan County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests in the Basin-Fruitland Coal (Gas) Pool underlying the E/2 of Section 27, Township 28 North, Range 10 West, forming a standard 320-acre gas spacing and proration unit for said pool, to be dedicated to a well to be drilled at a standard coal gas well location in the NE/4 of said Section 27. Also to be considered will be the cost of drilling and completing said well and the allocation of the cost thereof as well as actual operating costs and charges for supervision, designation of applicant as operator of the well and a charge for risk involved in drilling said well. Said unit is located approximately 6.5 miles south-southwest of Blanco, New Mexico.

CASE 10047: Application of D. J. Simmons Company for compulsory pooling, San Juan County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests in the Basin-Fruitland Coal (Gas) Pool underlying Lots 1 through 4 and the E/2 W/2 (W/2 equivalent) of Section 30, Township 28 North, Range 10 West, forming a standard 329.40-acre gas spacing and proration unit for said pool, to be dedicated to a well to be drilled at a standard coal gas well location in the SW/4 (equivalent) of said Section 30. Also to be considered will be the cost of drilling and completing said well and the allocation of the cost thereof as well as actual operating costs and charges for supervision, designation of applicant as operator of the well and a charge for risk involved in drilling said well. Said unit is located approximately 6 miles south-southeast of Bloomfield, New Mexico.

CASE 9973: (Continued from July 25, 1990, Examiner Hearing.)

Application of Manzano Oil Corporation for compulsory pooling and an unorthodox gas well location, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests from the surface to the base of the Morrow formation underlying the following described acreage in Section 14, Township 19 South, Range 33 East, and in the following described manner: the E/2 to form a standard 320-acre gas spacing and proration unit for any and all formations and/or pools developed on 320-acre spacing within said vertical extent (which presently includes but is not necessarily limited to the Undesignated Tonto-Atoka Gas Pool, Undesignated Quail Ridge-Morrow Gas Pool, Undesignated North Quail Ridge-Morrow Gas Pool, and Undesignated East Gem-Morrow Gas Pool) and the NE/4 to form a standard 160-acre gas spacing and proration unit for any and all formations and/or pools developed on 160-acre spacing within said vertical extent. Said units are to be dedicated to a single well to be drilled at an unorthodox gas well location 1980 feet from the North line and 2310 feet from the East line (Unit G) of said Section 14. Also to be considered will be the cost of drilling and completing said well and the allocation of the cost thereof as well as actual operating costs and charges for supervision, designation of applicant as operator of the well and a charge for risk involved in drilling said well. Said well location is approximately 7 miles southwest by west of the old Hobbs Army Air Corps Auxiliary Airfield No. 4.

CASE 9980: (Continued and Readvertised.)

Application of Mesa Operating Limited Partnership for compulsory pooling, San Juan County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests in the Basin-Fruitland Coal Gas Pool underlying the E/2 of Section 16, Township 29 North, Range 8 West, forming a standard 320-acre gas spacing and proration unit for said pool, said unit to be dedicated to its proposed F. C. State Com Well No. 10 to be drilled at a standard coal gas well location in the NE/4 of said Section 16. Also to be considered will be the cost of drilling and completing said well and the allocation of the cost thereof as well as actual operating costs and charges for supervision, designation of applicant as operator of the well and a charge for risk involved in drilling said well. Said unit is located approximately 9 miles east of Blanco, New Mexico.

CASE 10024: (Continued from July 25, 1990, Examiner Hearing.)

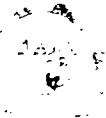
Application of Meridian Oil, Inc. for an unorthodox coal gas well location, San Juan County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval of an unorthodox coal gas well location for its existing Morris Well No. 3 located 420 feet from the South line and 400 feet from the East line (Unit P) of Section 14, Township 27 North, Range 10 West, the S/2 of said Section 14 to be dedicated to said pool. Said unit is located approximately 10.5 miles south by west of Blanco, New Mexico.

CASE 10025: (Continued from July 25, 1990, Examiner Hearing.)

Application of McKenzie Methane Corporation for an unorthodox coal gas well location, San Juan County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval of an unorthodox coal gas well location for its Angel Peak "14-L" Well No. 6 to be drilled 1835 feet from the South line and 640 feet from the West line (Unit L) of Section 14, Township 27 North, Range 10 West, the W/2 of said Section 14 to be dedicated to said well forming a standard 320-acre gas spacing and proration unit for said pool. Said unit is located approximately 10.5 miles south by west of Blanco, New Mexico.

CASE 10008: (Continued from July 25, 1990, Examiner Hearing.)

Application of Doyle Hartman for a non-standard gas proration unit, compulsory pooling, and an unorthodox gas well location, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests in the Jalmat Gas Pool underlying Lots 3 and 4, the SE/4 NW/4, and the E/2 SW/4 of Section 6, Township 24 South, Range 37 East, forming a 197.75-acre non-standard gas spacing and proration unit in the Jalmat Gas Pool to be dedicated to a well to be drilled at an unorthodox gas well location 660 feet from the North line and 924 feet from the West line (Unit D) of said Section 6. Also to be considered will be the cost of drilling and completing said well and the allocation of the cost thereof as well as actual operating costs and charges for supervision, designation of applicant as operator of the well and a charge for risk involved in drilling said well. Said unit is located approximately 10 miles north-northeast of Jal, New Mexico.



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MEMORANDUM

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SUBJECT: REGULATORY INITIATIVES TO INCREASE NEW MEXICO'S OIL PRODUCTION

DATE: SEPTEMBER 6, 1990

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In response to the crisis in the Middle East, the Secretary of the Energy has asked oil producing states to take initiatives to increase domestic oil production.

To meet the Secretary's request, the New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission has placed on the **September 24, 1990**, docket a hearing to receive comments and suggestions from the oil industry on steps which the Division or the Commission might take to increase New Mexico's oil production immediately, and in the short term (3 to 6 months) and longer time frames.

The Commission is particularly interested to learn if producers see any Oil Conservation Division regulatory impediments which hinder drilling and/or production, whether oil allowables could be increased or eliminated, without violating correlative rights or creating waste, if there are any rule changes which could promote additional oil production and suggestions from industry relating to the Energy Secretary's directive. The Commission is soliciting comments only on actions which it or the Division might take and not on legislative initiatives or actions which would necessarily have to be taken by other governmental agencies, such as the Bureau of Land Management or Internal Revenue Service.

While no order will be issued as a result of this hearing, the Commission will utilize industry input in the implementation of regulatory policy which will allow or encourage higher production levels, either from existing wells or from new developments, without causing waste or impairing correlative rights.

PROPOSED NEW RULE 1135

Each gas transporter from a prorated gas well shall give notice to the Division within 30 days of new connection, reconnection or disconnection of a well to, or from, the gathering transportation system by filing Form C-135, in duplicate, with the appropriate District office of the Division, as required by the appropriate order of the Division (Order R-8170, as amended).

**PLEASE NOTE THAT THE SEPTEMBER 19, 1990, EXAMINER HEARING WILL BE HELD IN THE STATE HIGHWAY AUDITORIUM, 1120 CERRILLOS ROAD, SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO.**

DOCKET NO. 26-90

Dockets Nos. 28-90 and 29-90 are tentatively set for October 3, 1990 and October 17, 1990. Applications for hearing must be filed at least 22 days in advance of hearing date.

DOCKET: EXAMINER HEARING - WEDNESDAY - SEPTEMBER 19, 1990

8:15 A.M. - STATE HIGHWAY AUDITORIUM, 1120 CERRILLOS ROAD,  
SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

The following cases will be heard before David R. Catanach, Examiner, or Michael E. Stogner, Alternate Examiner:

CASE 10089: Application of Merrion Oil & Gas Corporation to amend the special rules and regulations for the Dufers Point Gallup-Dakota Oil Pool, San Juan County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks a revision of the special rules and regulations for the Dufers Point Gallup-Dakota Oil Pool, as promulgated by Division Order No. R-7435, to increase the limiting gas/oil ratio to 5000 cubic feet of gas per barrel of oil. Said pool is located in Townships 24, 25 and 26 North, Ranges 8 and 9 West.

CASE 10090: Application of Yates Energy Corporation for compulsory pooling, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests from the surface to the base of the Bone Spring formation underlying the SW/4 SW/4 (Unit M) of Section 1, Township 18 South, Range 31 East, forming a standard 40-acre oil spacing and proration unit for any and all formations and/or pools within said vertical extent developed on 40-acre spacing (which presently includes the Undesignated Tamano-San Andres and Undesignated Tamano-Bone Spring Pools). Said unit is to be dedicated to a well to be drilled at a standard oil well location thereon. Also to be considered will be the cost of drilling and completing said well and the allocation of the cost thereof as well as actual operating costs and charges for supervision, designation of applicant as operator of the well and a charge for risk involved in drilling said well. Said unit is approximately 5.5 miles south by west of New Mexico State Highway No. 529's intersection with the Lea/Eddy County line.

CASE 10067: (Continued from September 5, 1990, Examiner Hearing.)

Application of Bird Creek Resources, Inc. for compulsory pooling, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests from the surface to the base of the Delaware formation or to a depth of 6,250 feet, whichever is deeper, underlying the SW/4 SE/4 of Section 15, Township 23 South, Range 28 East, forming a standard 40-acre oil spacing and proration unit for either the Undesignated East Loving-Delaware Pool or Undesignated South Loving-Delaware Pool, to be dedicated to a well to be drilled at a standard oil well location thereon. Also to be considered will be the cost of drilling and completing said well and the allocation of the cost thereof as well as actual operating costs and charges for supervision, designation of applicant as operator of the well and a charge for risk involved in drilling said well. Said unit is located approximately 1.5 miles northeast of Loving, New Mexico.

CASE 10091: Application of Bird Creek Resources, Inc. for compulsory pooling, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests from the surface to the base of the Delaware formation or to a depth of 6250 feet, whichever is deeper, underlying the NW/4 SE/4 (Unit J) of Section 15, Township 23 South, Range 28 East, forming a standard 40-acre oil spacing and proration unit for any and all formations and/or pools within said vertical extent developed on 40-acre oil spacing, which presently includes but is not necessarily limited to the Undesignated Loving-Cherry Canyon Pool and Undesignated East Loving-Delaware Pool. Said unit is to be dedicated to a well to be drilled at a standard oil well location thereon. Also to be considered will be the cost of drilling and completing said well and the allocation of the cost thereof as well as actual operating costs and charges for supervision, designation of applicant as operator of the well and a charge for risk involved in drilling said well. Said unit is located approximately 2 miles east-northeast of Loving, New Mexico.

CASE 10055: (Readvertised)

Application of Meridian Oil, Inc. for a non-standard gas proration unit, an unorthodox coal gas well location, and directional drilling, San Juan County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval of an unorthodox coal gas well location for its Payne Well No. 271, to be drilled 65 feet from the North line and 300 feet from the East line (Unit A) of Section 27, Township 32 North, Range 10 West, Cedar Hill-Fruitland Basal Coal Pool, Lots 1 through 8 (E/2 equivalent) of said Section 27 to be dedicated to said well to form a non-standard 305.03-acre gas spacing and proration unit for said pool. ALTERNATELY, the applicant seeks to directionally drill said well from the above-described surface location to a standard bottomhole coal gas well location within the NE/4 equivalent of said Section 27. Said unit is located approximately 1.5 miles northeast of Cedar Hill, New Mexico.

CASE 10056: (Continued from September 5, 1990, Examiner Hearing.)

Application of Meridian Oil, Inc. for three non-standard gas proration units, San Juan County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an exception to Rule 6 of Division Order No. R-8768 to establish three non-standard gas spacing and proration units for Basin-Fruitland Coal (Gas) Pool production in Irregular Sections 6, 7, 18, 19, and 30, Township 31 North, Range 8 West. Said row of Sections are located approximately 8.5 miles northwest of the Navajo Reservoir Dam.



CASE 10066: (Continued from September 5, 1990, Examiner Hearing.)

Application of Matador Petroleum Corporation for compulsory pooling, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests from the surface to the base of the Morrow formation or to a depth of 13,600 feet, whichever is deeper, underlying the following described acreage in Section 5, Township 20 South, Range 34 East, and in the following manner: Lots 3 and 4, the S/2 NW/4, and SW/4 (W/2 equivalent) to form a standard 320-acre, more or less, gas spacing and proration unit for any and all formations and/or pools developed on 320-acre spacing within said vertical extent (which presently includes but is not necessarily limited to the Undesignated Quail Ridge-Morrow Gas Pool); Lots 3 and 4 and the S/2 NW/4 (NW/4 equivalent) to form a standard 160-acre, more or less, gas spacing and proration unit for any and all formations and/or pools developed on 160-acre spacing within said vertical extent; and the SW/4 NW/4 to form a standard 40-acre oil spacing and proration unit for any and all formations and/or pools developed on 40-acre spacing within said vertical extent (which presently includes but is not necessarily limited to the Undesignated South Quail Ridge-Bone Spring Pool). Said units are to be dedicated to a single well to be drilled at a standard location thereon. Also to be considered will be the cost of drilling and completing said well and the allocation of the cost thereof as well as actual operating costs and charges for supervision, designation of applicant as operator of the well and a charge for risk involved in drilling said well. Said unit underlies the area underneath Mile Marker No. 77 on U.S. Highway 62/180.

CASE 10092: Application of Chevron U.S.A., Inc. for acreage rededication, two non-standard gas proration units, simultaneous dedication, and two unorthodox gas well locations, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval to rededicate certain Eumont Gas Pool acreage in portions of Sections 4 and 9, Township 21 South, Range 36 East, thereby forming: a 160-acre non-standard gas spacing and proration unit for said pool comprising Lots 12 and 13 and the W/2 SW/4 of said Section 4, to be simultaneously dedicated to its existing Bell Ramsay MCT-A Well No. 5 located at a standard gas well location 660 feet from the South and West lines (Unit U) and to Well No. 8 located at an unorthodox gas well location 3258 feet from the North line and 660 feet from the West line (Unit L) both in said Section 4; and, a 240-acre non-standard gas spacing and proration unit comprising the NW/4 and E/2 SW/4 of said Section 9, to be dedicated to a well to be drilled at an unorthodox gas well location 990 feet from the South line and 1980 feet from the West line (Unit N) of said Section 9. Said area is located approximately 1 mile west of Oil Center, New Mexico.

CASE 9962: (Continued and Readvertised)

Application of Stevens & Tull, Inc. for downhole commingling, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks blanket approval for the downhole commingling of Abo, Drinkard, Tubb and Blinbry production in the wellbore of all existing wells and all wells subsequently drilled on its Carter "23" Prospect acreage, which includes the N/2 SE/4 of Section 23, Township 20 South, Range 38 East. Said area is located approximately 4.75 miles south by east of Nadine, New Mexico.

~~CASE 10032:~~ (Readvertised) (Continued from September 5, 1990, Examiner Hearing.)

Application of Nearburg Producing Company for a non-standard oil proration unit, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for an 80-acre non-standard oil spacing and proration unit comprising the W/2 NE/4 of Section 31, Township 19 South, Range 25 East, Undesignated North Dagger Draw-Upper Pennsylvanian Pool. Said unit is to be dedicated to a well to be drilled at a standard oil well location thereon. Said unit is located approximately 9 miles west by south of Lakewood, New Mexico.

CASE 10093: Application of Nearburg Producing Company for compulsory pooling and a non-standard gas proration unit, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests in the Morrow formation underlying all of Section 31, Township 19 South, Range 36 East, forming a 636.79-acre non-standard gas spacing and proration unit for the North Osudo-Morrow Gas Pool, said unit to be dedicated to a well to be drilled at a standard location thereon. Also to be considered will be the cost of drilling and completing said well and the allocation of the cost thereof as well as actual operating costs and charges for supervision, designation of applicant as operator of the well and a charge for risk involved in drilling said well. Said unit is located approximately 8.5 miles west by south of Monument, New Mexico.

CASE 10094: Application of Chevron U.S.A., Inc. for an unorthodox oil well location, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for an unorthodox oil well location for its Lea "YL" Tate Well No. 2 to be drilled 2230 feet from the South line and 2310 feet from the East line (Unit J) of Section 2, Township 17 South, Range 37 East, Shipp-Strawn Pool, the W/2 SE/4 of said Section 2 to be dedicated to said well forming a standard 80-acre oil spacing and proration unit for said pool. Said unit is located approximately 4.5 miles north of Humble City, New Mexico.

CASE 10095: Application of Texaco Inc. for salt water disposal, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks authority to dispose of produced salt water into the Moore-Devonian and Moore Permo-Pennsylvanian Pools through the perforated interval from approximately 10,440 feet to 10,700 feet in its New Mexico 80 State Well No. 2 located 1980 feet from the North line and 660 feet from the West line (Unit E) of Section 24, Township 11 South, Range 32 East, which is located approximately 3.25 miles southeast by south of Caprock, New Mexico.

CASE 10096: Application of Texaco Producing Inc. for an unorthodox oil well location, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for an unorthodox oil well location for its West Dollarhide Drinkard Unit Well No. 111 to be drilled 2630 feet from the South line and 130 feet from the East line (Unit J) of Irregular Section 33, Township 24 South, Range 38 East, Dollarhide Tubb-Drinkard Pool, Skelly West Dollarhide Drinkard Waterflood Project Area, said well to be dedicated to an existing 47.26-acre non-standard oil spacing and proration unit comprising Lot 3 and the NE/4 SW/4 of said Section 33, which is presently dedicated to the West Dollarhide Drinkard Unit Well No. 58 located 1980 feet from the South line and 630 feet from the East line (Unit K) of said Section 33. Said unit is located approximately 3 miles north of New Mexico State Highway No. 128 at that point where it meets the New Mexico/Texas Stateline.

CASE 10097: Application of Texaco Producing Inc. for an unorthodox oil well location, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for an unorthodox oil well location for its West Dollarhide Drinkard Unit Well No. 112 to be drilled 54 feet from the North line and 130 feet from the East line (Unit B) of Irregular Section 4, Township 25 South, Range 38 East, Dollarhide Tubb-Drinkard Pool, Skelly West Dollarhide Drinkard Waterflood Project Area, said well to be dedicated to an existing 47.26-acre non-standard oil spacing and proration unit comprising Lot 1 and the NE/4 NW/4 of said Section 4, which is presently dedicated to the West Dollarhide Drinkard Unit Well No. 74 located 667 feet from the North line and 631 feet from the East line (Unit C) of said Section 4. Said unit is located approximately 3 miles north of New Mexico State Highway No. 128 at that point where it meets the New Mexico/Texas Stateline.

CASE 10036: (Continued from September 5, 1990, Examiner Hearing.)

Application of Texaco, Inc. for amendment of Division Order No. R-8170, as amended, to establish a minimum gas allowable for the Eumont Gas Pool, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks to amend the "General Rules For The Prorated Gas Pools of New Mexico/Special Rules and Regulations for the Eumont Gas Pool" as promulgated by Division Order No. R-8170, as amended, to provide for a minimum natural gas allowable for the Eumont Gas Pool for a three-year period of time equal to 600 m.c.f. of gas per day for an Acreage Factor of 1.00 or 2400 m.c.f. of gas per day for a standard Eumont 640-acre gas spacing and proration unit.

CASE 10038: (Continued from September 5, 1990, Examiner Hearing.)

Application of Nassau Resources, Inc. for infill drilling in the Basin-Fruitland Coal Gas Pool on its Carracas Canyon Unit, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an exception to Division General Rule 104.C.II., pursuant to Division Memorandum dated July 27, 1988, by instituting an infill drilling program within its Carracas Canyon Unit Area located in portions of Townships 31 and 32 North, Ranges 4 and 5 West, to drill, complete and produce a second coal gas well within an existing 320-acre gas spacing and proration unit in the Basin-Fruitland Coal (Gas) Pool. Said unitized area is located approximately 17 miles west by north of Dulce, New Mexico.

CASE 10098: Application of Santa Fe Energy Operating Partners, L. P. for directional drilling, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks authorization to directionally drill from a surface location 900 feet from the North line and 1980 feet from the West line (Unit C) of Section 9 to a standard bottomhole gas well location to test the Undesignated Los Medanos-Morrow Gas Pool in the SE/4 SW/4 (Unit N) of Section 4, both in Township 23 South, Range 31 East. Said well is to be dedicated to the S/2 of said Section 4 forming a standard 320-acre gas spacing and proration unit for said pool. Said unit is located approximately 3 miles north of Mile Post No. 15 on New Mexico State Highway No. 128.

CASE 10099: Application of Samuel Gary Jr. and Associates, Inc. for a horizontal directional drilling pilot project and special operating rules therefor, Sandoval County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks authority to institute a horizontal directional drilling pilot project in the W/2 of Section 11, Township 20 North, Range 3 West, forming a standard 320-acre oil spacing and proration unit in the Rio Puerco-Mancos Oil Pool. The applicant proposes to commence a well to be located on the surface 934 feet from the South line and 1975 feet from the West line (Unit N) of said Section 11, drill vertically and kick-off in a north-westerly direction, build angle to approximately 90 degrees, and drill horizontally in the Mancos formation. Applicant further requests that special operating provisions be established for said project area including the designation of a prescribed area limiting the horizontal extent of said wellbore such that it can be no closer than 660 feet to the outer boundary of said spacing unit. Said project area is located approximately 6.5 miles south of New Mexico State Highway No. 44 at Mile Post 76.

CASE 10100: Application of Samuel Gary Jr. and Associates, Inc. for a gas reinjection/pressure maintenance project and special rules therefor, Sandoval County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks authority to institute a gas reinjection/pressure maintenance project in its San Isidro (Shallow) Unit Area located in Townships 20 and 21 North, Ranges 2 and 3 West, by the injection of gas into the Rio Puerco-Mancos Oil Pool through the open hole interval from approximately 3793 feet to 4188 feet in its San Isidro 11 Well No. 16 located 660 feet from the South line and 630 feet from the East line (Unit P) of Section 11, Township 20 South, Range 3 West. Applicant further seeks the promulgation of special rules for the operation of said project, including provisions for administrative authorization of horizontal/high angle wellbores, the formation of oversized proration units to accommodate such wellbores, and assignment of special allowables to wells in the project area. Said area is located approximately 5 to 13 miles west-southwest of Cuba, New Mexico.

CASE 10075: (Continued from September 5, 1990, Examiner Hearing.)

Application of Mesa Operating Limited Partnership for compulsory pooling, San Juan County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests in the Basin-Fruitland Coal Gas Pool underlying Lots 1 and 2, the S/2 NW/4 and the SW/4 (W/2 equivalent) of Section 2, Township 27 North, Range 8 West, forming a standard 321.36-acre gas spacing and proration unit for said pool, said unit to be dedicated to its proposed "F.C." State Com Well No. 34 to be drilled at a standard coal gas well location in the SW/4 of said Section 2. Also to be considered will be the cost of drilling and completing said well and the allocation of the cost thereof as well as actual operating costs and charges for supervision, designation of applicant as operator of the well and a charge for risk involved in drilling said well. Said unit is approximately 4 miles east of Huerfanito Park.

CASE 10076: (Continued from September 5, 1990, Examiner Hearing.)

Application of Mesa Operating Limited Partnership for compulsory pooling, San Juan County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests in the Basin-Fruitland Coal Gas Pool underlying the W/2 of Section 16, Township 29 North, Range 8 West, forming a standard 320-acre gas spacing and proration unit for said pool, said unit to be dedicated to its proposed "F.C." State Com Well No. 27 to be drilled at a standard coal gas well location in the SW/4 of said Section 16. Also to be considered will be the cost of drilling and completing said well and the allocation of the cost thereof as well as actual operating costs and charges for supervision, designation of applicant as operator of the well and a charge for risk involved in drilling said well. Said unit is approximately 6.5 miles southwest by south of the Navaajo Reservoir Dam.

CASE 10078: (Continued from September 5, 1990, Examiner Hearing.)

Application of Mesa Operating Limited Partnership for compulsory pooling, San Juan County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests in the Basin-Fruitland Coal Gas Pool underlying the E/2 of Section 36, Township 29 North, Range 10 West, forming a standard 320-acre gas spacing and proration unit for said pool, said unit to be dedicated to its proposed "F.C." State Com Well No. 22 to be drilled at a standard coal gas well location in the NE/4 of said Section 36. Also to be considered will be the cost of drilling and completing said well and the allocation of the cost thereof as well as actual operating costs and charges for supervision, designation of applicant as operator of the well and a charge for risk involved in drilling said well. Said unit is approximately 2.5 miles south of Blanco, New Mexico.

CASE 10079: (Continued from September 5, 1990, Examiner Hearing.)

Application of Mesa Operating Limited Partnership for compulsory pooling, San Juan County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests in the Basin-Fruitland Coal Gas Pool underlying the S/2 of Section 36, Township 30 North, Range 8 West, forming a standard 320-acre gas spacing and proration unit for said pool, said unit to be dedicated to its proposed "F.C." State Com Well No. 26 to be drilled at a standard coal gas well location in the SW/4 of said Section 36. Also to be considered will be the cost of drilling and completing said well and the allocation of the cost thereof as well as actual operating costs and charges for supervision, designation of applicant as operator of the well and a charge for risk involved in drilling said well. Said unit is approximately 2.75 miles south-southwest of the Navaajo Reservoir Dam.

CASE 10080: (Continued from September 5, 1990, Examiner Hearing.)

Application of Mesa Operating Limited Partnership for compulsory pooling, San Juan County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests in the Basin-Fruitland Coal Gas Pool underlying Lots 7 through 13 and the NE/4 SE/4 (S/2 equivalent) of Section 14, Township 30 North, Range 11 West, forming a standard 313.81-acre gas spacing and proration unit for said pool, said unit to be dedicated to its proposed "F.C." Federal Com Well No. 39 to be drilled at a standard coal gas well location in the SW/4 equivalent of said Section 14. Also to be considered will be the cost of drilling and completing said well and the allocation of the cost thereof as well as actual operating costs and charges for supervision, designation of applicant as operator of the well and a charge for risk involved in drilling said well. Said unit is approximately 2 miles southeast by east of Aztec, New Mexico.

CASE 10081: (Continued from September 5, 1990, Examiner Hearing.)

Application of Mesa Operating Limited Partnership for compulsory pooling, San Juan County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests in the Basin-Fruitland Coal Gas Pool underlying Lots 5, 6, and 7, and the NW/4, and the NE/4 SW/4 (W/2 equivalent) of Section 15, Township 30 North, Range 11 West, forming a standard 323.42-acre gas spacing and proration unit for said pool, said unit to be dedicated to its proposed "F.C." Federal Com Well No. 16 to be drilled at a standard coal gas well location in the SW/4 equivalent of said Section 15. Also to be considered will be the cost of drilling and completing said well and the allocation of the cost thereof as well as actual operating costs and charges for supervision, designation of applicant as operator of the well and a charge for risk involved in drilling said well. Said unit is approximately 1 mile southeast of Aztec, New Mexico.

CASE 10082: (Continued from September 5, 1990, Examiner Hearing.)

Application of Mesa Operating Limited Partnership for compulsory pooling, San Juan County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests in the Basin-Fruitland Coal Gas Pool underlying the W/2 of Section 16, Township 30 North, Range 11 West, forming a standard 320-acre gas spacing and proration unit for said pool, said unit to be dedicated to its proposed "F.C." State Com Well No. 30 to be drilled at a standard coal gas well location in the SW/4 of said Section 16. Also to be considered will be the cost of drilling and completing said well and the allocation of the cost thereof as well as actual operating costs and charges for supervision, designation of applicant as operator of the well and a charge for risk involved in drilling said well. Said unit is approximately 1 mile south by west of Aztec, New Mexico.

CASE 10083: (Continued from September 5, 1990, Examiner Hearing.)

Application of Mesa Operating Limited Partnership for compulsory pooling, San Juan County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests in the Basin-Fruitland Coal Gas Pool underlying Lots 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5, the S/2 SW/4 and the NE/4 SE/4 (S/2 equivalent) of Section 32, Township 31 North, Range 9 West, forming a standard 320-acre gas spacing and proration unit for said pool, said unit to be dedicated to its proposed "F.C." State Com Well No. 25 to be drilled at a standard coal gas well location in the SW/4 equivalent of said Section 32. Also to be considered will be the cost of drilling and completing said well and the allocation of the cost thereof as well as actual operating costs and charges for supervision, designation of applicant as operator of the well and a charge for risk involved in drilling said well. Said unit is approximately 10.5 miles east by north of Aztec, New Mexico.

CASE 10084: (Continued from September 5, 1990, Examiner Hearing.)

Application of Mesa Operating Limited Partnership for compulsory pooling, San Juan County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests in the Cedar Hill-Basal Fruitland Coal Gas Pool underlying Lots 1, 2, 3, and 5 and the S/2 N/2 (N/2 equivalent) of Section 5, Township 31 North, Range 10 West, forming a standard 320-acre gas spacing and proration unit for said pool, said unit to be dedicated to its proposed "F.C." Fee Com Well No. 1 to be drilled at a standard coal gas well location thereon. Also to be considered will be the cost of drilling and completing said well and the allocation of the cost thereof as well as actual operating costs and charges for supervision, designation of applicant as operator of the well and a charge for risk involved in drilling said well. Said unit is approximately 1 mile southwest of Cedar Hill, New Mexico.

CASE 10085: (Continued from September 5, 1990, Examiner Hearing.)

Application of Mesa Operating Limited Partnership for compulsory pooling, San Juan County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests in the Basin-Fruitland Coal Gas Pool underlying Lots 1 and 2, the S/2 NE/4, and the NW/4 (N/2 equivalent) of Section 33, Township 31 North, Range 11 West, forming a standard 315.61-acre gas spacing and proration unit for said pool, said unit to be dedicated to its proposed "F.C." Federal Com Well No. 38 to be drilled at a standard coal gas well location in the NE/4 equivalent of said Section 33. Also to be considered will be the cost of drilling and completing said well and the allocation of the cost thereof as well as actual operating costs and charges for supervision, designation of applicant as operator of the well and a charge for risk involved in drilling said well. Said unit is approximately 2.25 miles north of Aztec, New Mexico.

CASE 10087: (Continued from September 5, 1990, Examiner Hearing.)

Application of Mesa Operating Limited Partnership for compulsory pooling, San Juan County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests in the Basin-Fruitland Coal Gas Pool underlying Lots 1 through 4 and the E/2 W/2 (W/2 equivalent) of Section 30, Township 32 North, Range 11 West, forming a standard 309.03-acre gas spacing and proration unit for said pool, said unit to be dedicated to its proposed "F.C." Fee Com Well No. 2 to be drilled at a standard coal gas well location in the SW/4 equivalent of said Section 32. Also to be considered will be the cost of drilling and completing said well and the allocation of the cost thereof as well as actual operating costs and charges for supervision, designation of applicant as operator of the well and a charge for risk involved in drilling said well. Said unit is approximately 8 miles north of the Aztec Municipal Airport.

PLEASE NOTE THAT THE COMMISSION HEARING WILL BE HELD ON MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 1990, INSTEAD OF ON THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 27, 1990, AS PREVIOUSLY SCHEDULED.

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CASE 10009: (Continued and Readvertised)

In the matter of the hearing called by the Oil Conservation Division (OCD) on its own motion to consider revisions to Division Order No. R-8170, as amended. The OCD on the recommendation of the Gas Proration Rules Committee seeks to amend the General Rules for the Prorated Gas Pools of New Mexico, as promulgated by Division Order No. R-8170, as amended. Such changes include provisions for two 6-month allocation periods beginning April and October, three month classification periods, and for any other changes deemed adequate and necessary for said Gas Proration Rules at this time.

CASE 10101: In the matter of the hearing called by the Oil Conservation Division on its own motion to adopt new Rule 1135 of the General Rules and Regulations of the Oil Conservation Division to provide for the filing of Form C-135 for new connections, reconnections or disconnections of prorated gas wells.

OPEN MEETING AFTER THE COMMISSION HEARING INITIATED BY THE OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION FOR THE PURPOSE OF RECEIVING COMMENTS ON INITIATIVES WHICH THE COMMISSION OR THE OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION MIGHT MAKE FOR THE PURPOSE OF INCREASING LEVELS OF OIL PRODUCTION IN THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO.