

DOCKET: EXAMINER HEARING - WEDNESDAY - SEPTEMBER 5, 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 October, 1990, from fourteen prorated gas pools in Lea, Eddy, and Chaves Counties, New Mexico.
  - (2) Consideration of the allowable production of gas for October, 1990, from four prorated gas pools in San Juan, Rio Arriba, and Sandoval Counties, New Mexico.

CASE 10066: 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 10038: (Continued from August 22, 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 10058: (Continued from August 22, 1990, Examiner Hearing.)

Application of Phillips Petroleum Company for eight non-standard gas proration units and seven unorthodox coal gas well locations, San Juan County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval of eight non-standard gas spacing and proration units and seven unorthodox coal gas well locations within its San Juan 32-7 Unit located in Irregular Sections 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, and 18 of Township 31 North, Range 7 West. Said area is located along the Pinos Arm of the Navajo Lake approximately 8 miles north of its Dam.

CASE 10042: (Readvertised)

Application of Meridian Oil, Inc. for six non-standard gas proration units, Rio Arriba 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 10041: (Readvertised)

Application of Meridian Oil, Inc. for five non-standard gas proration units, Rio Arriba 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 10039: (Continued from August 8, 1990, Examiner Hearing.)

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: (Continued from August 8, 1990, Examiner Hearing.)

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 9.5 miles east of the Navajo Reservoir Dam.

CASE 10021: (Continued from August 22, 1990, Examiner Hearing.) (This case will be dismissed.)

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 E/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 10055: (Continued from August 22, 1990, Examiner Hearing.)

Application of Meridian Oil, Inc. for an unorthodox coal gas well location and a non-standard gas proration unit, 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. Said unit is located approximately 1.5 miles northeast of Cedar Hill, New Mexico.

CASE 10056: (Continued from August 22, 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 10062: (Continued from August 22, 1990, Examiner Hearing.)

Application of OXY USA Inc. for statutory unitization, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order unitizing, for the purpose of establishing a secondary recovery project, all mineral interests in the Central Corbin-Queen Pool, underlying 1561.19 acres, more or less, of Federal and Fee lands comprising portions of Sections 3, 4, 8, 9, and 10, Township 18 South, Range 33 East. Said Unit is to be designated the Central Corbin Queen Unit. Among the matters to be considered at the hearing will be the necessity of unit operations; the designation of a unit operator; the determination of horizontal and vertical limits of the unit area; the determination of the fair, reasonable, and equitable allocation of production and costs of production, including capital investment, to each of the various tracts in the unit area; the determination of credits and charges to be made among the various owners in the unit area for their investment in wells and equipment; and such other matters as may be necessary and appropriate for carrying on efficient unit operations; including but not limited to, unit voting procedures, selection, removal or substitution of unit operator, and time of commencement and termination of unit operations. Applicant also requests that any such order issued in this case include a provision for carrying any non-consenting working interest owner within the unit area upon such terms and conditions to be determined by the Division as just and reasonable. Said Unit Area is located approximately 8 miles southeast of Maljamar, New Mexico.

CASE 10063: (Continued from August 22, 1990, Examiner Hearing.)

Application of OXY USA Inc. for a waterflood project, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks authority to institute a waterflood project on its proposed Central Corbin Queen Unit Area (Division Case No. 10062) located in portions of Sections 3, 4, 8, 9, and 10, Township 18 South, Range 33 East, by the injection of water into the Central Corbin Queen Pool through 12 certain wells to be converted from producing Queen oil wells to injection wells. Said area is located approximately 8 miles southeast of Maljamar, New Mexico.

CASE 10064: (Continued from August 22, 1990, Examiner Hearing.)

Application of OXY USA Inc. for pool contraction and extension, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks the horizontal contraction of the Corbin-Queen Pool and the concomitant extension of the Central Corbin-Queen Pool underlying Lots 1 and 2 (N/2 NE/4 equivalent) of Section 4, Township 18 South, Range 33 East, which is located approximately 7 miles southeast of east of Maljamar, New Mexico.

CASE 10067: 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.

**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, an 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 (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 Nava 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 NCT-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 10031:** (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.

Dockets Nos. 29-90 and 30-90 are tentatively set for October 17, 1990 and October 31, 1990. Applications for hearing must be filed at least 22 days in advance of hearing date.

DOCKET: EXAMINER HEARING - WEDNESDAY - OCTOBER 3, 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 Jim Morrow, Examiner, or David R. Catanach or Michael E. Stogner, Alternate Examiners:

CASE 10102: Application of Sage Energy Company for a unit agreement, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval of the North Vacuum (Abo) North Unit Agreement for an area comprising 1763 acres, more or less, of State lands in all or portions of Sections 35 and 36, Township 16 South, Range 34 East, and Sections 1, 2, and 12, Township 17 South, Range 34 East. This area is located approximately 4 miles north by west of Buckeye, New Mexico.

CASE 10103: Application of Sage Energy Company for a waterflood project, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks authority to institute a waterflood project on its proposed North Vacuum (Abo) North Unit located in all or portions of Sections 35 and 36, Township 16 South, Range 24 East and Sections 1, 2, and 12, Township 17 South, Range 34 East, by the injection of water into the North Vacuum-Abo Pool through 19 certain wells to be converted as injection wells. Said area is located approximately 4 miles north by west of Buckeye, New Mexico.

CASE 10083: (Continued from September 19, 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 10104: Application of BASF Corporation for amendment of Division Order No. R-9255, San Juan County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks to amend Division Order No. R-9255, which order authorized a horizontal directional drilling pilot project in the Undesignated Verde-Gallup Oil Pool underlying the S/2 SW/4 of Section 28, Township 31 North, Range 14 West, as projected into the unsurveyed Ute Mountain Indian Reservation, by moving the surface location of its proposed Ute Mt. Tribal "28" Well No. 14 to an unorthodox oil well location 1284 feet from the South line and 1112 feet from the West line (Unit M) of said Section 28. Said project area is located approximately 12 miles northwest by north of Farmington, New Mexico. IN THE ABSENCE OF OBJECTION, THIS CASE WILL BE TAKEN UNDER ADVISEMENT.

CASE 10099: (Continued from September 19, 1990, Examiner Hearing.)

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: (Continued from September 19, 1990, Examiner Hearing.)

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 10069: (Readvertised)

Application of Pacific Enterprises Oil Company (USA) to limit the rules governing the Fren-Pennsylvanian Gas Pool to its present horizontal boundary, or, in the alternative, to establish 320-acre spacing for said pool, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks to limit the Rules and Regulations governing the Fren-Pennsylvanian Gas Pool to its present horizontal boundary comprising the SW/4 of Section 15, the E/2 of Section 21, and the NW/4 of Section 22, all in Township 17 South, Range 31 East. Said pool was established in 1956 at which time statewide spacing for wells to this depth was 160 acres; these provisions are still applicable for the pool at this time. Further, the applicant requests that all wells drilled to the Pennsylvanian formation within one mile of the above-described area be exempt from the provisions of General Rule 104.A and be governed by the current Statewide Rules. IN THE ALTERNATIVE, the applicant seeks 320-acre spacing for said pool whereby the current General Rules regarding spacing (Rule 104) would be applicable. IN THE ABSENCE OF EVIDENCE TO THE CONTRARY, 320-ACRE SPACING WILL BE ESTABLISHED FOR THE SUBJECT POOL. Said pool is located approximately 7 miles east of Loco Hills, New Mexico.

CASE 10067: (Continued from September 19, 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: (Continued from September 19, 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 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 10105: Application of Anadarko Petroleum Corporation for compulsory pooling, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests from the top of the Wolfcamp formation to the base of the Pennsylvanian formation, or to a depth of 11,500 feet, whichever is deeper, underlying the W/2 of Section 28, Township 17 South, Range 30 East, forming a standard 320-acre gas spacing and proration unit for any and all formations and/or pools developed on 320 acres within said vertical extent, which presently includes but is not necessarily limited to the Undesignated Loco Hills-Atoka Gas Pool, Undesignated Cedar Lake-Morrow Gas Pool, Undesignated Loco Hills-Morrow Gas Pool, and Undesignated South Loco Hills-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 approximately 1 mile south of Loco Hills, New Mexico.

CASE 10106: Application of Conoco, Inc. for a salt water disposal, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks authority to dispose of produced salt water into the San Andres formation through the perforated interval from approximately 4547 feet to 5092 feet in its SEMU Penn. Well No. 9, located 660 feet from the South line and 1980 feet from the East line (Unit O) of Section 23, Township 20 South, Range 37 East, Undesignated Eunice Monument Grayburg-San Andres Pool. Said well is located approximately 9.5 miles south of the Hobbs-Lea County Airport.

CASE 10107: Application of Conoco, Inc. for a salt water disposal, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks authority to dispose of produced salt water into the San Andres formation through the perforated interval from approximately 4160 feet to 5020 feet in its SEMU Drinkard Weir Well No. 95, located 2130 feet from the South line and 1980 feet from the East line (Unit J) of Section 23, Township 20 South, Range 37 East, Undesignated Eunice Monument Grayburg-San Andres Pool. Said well is located approximately 9.5 miles south of the Hobbs-Lea County Airport.

CASE 10066: (Continued from September 19, 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 10108: Application of Yates Petroleum Corporation to amend the special pool rules for the South Dagger Draw-Upper Pennsylvanian Associated Pool, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks a revision of the special rules and regulations for the South Dagger Draw-Upper Pennsylvanian Associated Pool, as promulgated by Division Order No. R-5353, as amended, to provide that each well, oil or gas, shall be located no closer than 660 feet to the outer boundary of the proration unit, nor closer than 330 feet to any quarter-quarter section or subdivision inner boundary, to increase the limiting gas-oil ratio to 10,000 cubic feet of gas for each barrel of oil, and for a special depth bracket oil allowable for oil wells on a 320-acre proration unit of 700 barrels of oil per day. Said pool comprises either all or portions of Sections 11, 14, 22, 23, 26, and 35, Township 20 South, Range 24 East, which is approximately 8 miles west-southwest of Seven Rivers, New Mexico.

Dockets Nos. 31-90 and 32-90 are tentatively set for October 31, 1990 and November 14, 1990. Applications for hearing must be filed at least 22 days in advance of hearing date.

DOCKET: EXAMINER HEARING - WEDNESDAY - OCTOBER 17, 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 or Jim Morrow, Alternate Examiners:

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

CASE 10103: (Readvertised)

Application of Sage Energy Company for a waterflood project, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks authority to institute a waterflood project on its proposed North Vacuum (Abo) North Unit located in all or portions of Sections 35 and 36, Township 16 South, Range 34 East and Sections 1, 2, and 12, Township 17 South, Range 34 East, by the injection of water into the North Vacuum-Abo Pool through 19 certain wells to be converted as injection wells. Said area is located approximately 4 miles north by west of Buckeye, New Mexico.

CASE 10114: 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 for an unorthodox coal gas well location for its Frost Well No. 500 to be located 2510 feet from the North line and 790 feet from the East line (Unit H) of Section 26, Township 27 North, Range 10 West, the N/2 of Section 26 to be dedicated to the subject well, forming a standard 320-acre gas spacing and proration unit for said pool. Said location is within the Angel Peak Recreation Area.

CASE 10006: (Continued from October 3, 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 10105: (Continued from October 3, 1990, Examiner Hearing.)

Application of Anadarko Petroleum Corporation for compulsory pooling, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests from the top of the Wolfcamp formation to the base of the Pennsylvanian formation, or to a depth of 11,500 feet, whichever is deeper, underlying the W/2 of Section 28, Township 17 South, Range 30 East, forming a standard 320-acre gas spacing and proration unit for any and all formations and/or pools developed on 320 acres within said vertical extent, which presently includes but is not necessarily limited to the Undesignated Loco Hills-Atoka Gas Pool, Undesignated Cedar Lake-Morrow Gas Pool, Undesignated Loco Hills-Morrow Gas Pool, and Undesignated South Loco Hills-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 approximately 1 mile south of Loco Hills, New Mexico.

CASE 10115: Application of Marathon Oil Company for the assignment of a special depth bracket oil allowable, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks a special depth bracket oil allowable, pursuant to General Rule 505(d), of 460 barrels of oil per day for the Tamano-Bone Spring Pool in Township 18 South, Range 31 East, which is located approximately 8 miles southwest by south of Maljamar, New Mexico.

CASE 10116: Application of BTA Oil Producers for directional drilling, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks authorization to directionally drill its proposed Pardue "C", 8808 JV-P Well No. 1-Y from a surface location 611 feet from the South line and 1504 feet from the West line (Unit M) of Section 11, Township 23 South, Range 28 East, to a standard bottomhole oil well location in the Undesignated East Loving-Delaware Pool. Said well is to be dedicated to the 40-acre oil spacing and proration unit comprising the SE/4 SW/4 of said Section 11, which is located approximately 1/4 mile southwest of the Harroun Dam.

CASE 10117: 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 5, the S/2 NE/4, and SE/4 NW/4 (N/2 equivalent) of Section 6, Township 29 North, Range 11 West, forming a standard 288.18-acre gas spacing and proration unit for said pool, said unit to be dedicated to its FC Fed. Com Well No. 19 to be drilled at a standard coal gas well location in the NE/4 equivalent 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 1/2 mile north of the City of Bloomfield Nature Park.



- CASE 10118: 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 NE/4, and the N/2 SE/4 (E/2 equivalent) of Section 32, Township 29 North, Range 11 West, forming a standard 314.84-acre gas spacing and proration unit for said pool, said unit to be dedicated to its FC Fed. Com Well No. 43 to be drilled at a standard coal gas well location in the NE/4 of 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 2.5 miles southwest by south of Bloomfield, New Mexico.
- CASE 10119: 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 N/2 S/2 (S/2 equivalent) of Section 36, Township 29 North, Range 11 West, forming a standard 314.43-acre, more or less, gas spacing and proration unit for said pool, said unit to be dedicated to its FC State Com Well No. 23 to be drilled at a standard coal gas well location in the SW/4 equivalent 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 located approximately 3 miles southeast of Bloomfield, New Mexico.
- CASE 10120: 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 5, Township 29 North, Range 12 West, forming a standard 320-acre gas spacing and proration unit for said pool, said unit to be dedicated to its FC Fed Com Well No. 41 to be drilled at a standard coal gas well location in the SW/4 of said Section 5. 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 2.5 miles south of the San Juan Country Club.
- CASE 10121: 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 N/2 of Section 16, Township 29 North, Range 14 West, forming a standard 320-acre gas spacing and proration unit for said pool, said unit to be dedicated to its FC State Com Well No. 35 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 2.5 miles east of Kirtland, New Mexico.
- CASE 10122: 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 32, Township 30 North, Range 10 West, forming a standard 320-acre gas spacing and proration unit for said pool, said unit to be dedicated to its FC State Com Well No. 29 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 5 miles northwest of Blanco, New Mexico.
- CASE 10123: 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 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 FC State Com Well No. 31 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 located approximately 5 miles southeast by south of Aztec, New Mexico.
- CASE 10124: 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 12 West, forming a standard 320-acre gas spacing and proration unit for said pool, said unit to be dedicated to its FC State Com Well No. 24 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 located approximately 2.75 miles southeast of Flora Vista, New Mexico.
- CASE 10125: 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 5, the S/2 SW/4, and NE/4 SE/4 (S/2 equivalent) of Section 32, Township 31 North, Range 9 West, forming a standard 319.05-acre gas spacing and proration unit for said pool, said unit to be dedicated to its FC Fed. Com Well No. 42 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 located approximately 10.5 miles east by north of Aztec, New Mexico.



CASE 10136: Application of Marbob Energy Corporation for an unorthodox oil well location, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval of an unorthodox oil well location for its Holder "CB" Well No. 3 to be drilled 1295 feet from the North line and 990 feet from the West line (Unit O) of Section 17, Township 17 South, Range 30 East, Grayburg Jackson Pool. Said well is to be simultaneously dedicated, along with the Holder "CB" NCT-A Federal Well No. 2 located at a standard oil well location 660 feet from the North and West lines of said Section 17, to the existing 40-acre oil spacing and proration unit comprising the NW/4 NW/4 of said Section 17, which is located approximately 1.5 miles north-northwest of Loco Hills, New Mexico.

CASE 10137: (This case will be continued to November 14th.)

Application of C. W. Trainer for directional drilling and an unorthodox gas well location, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks authority to directionally drill from its existing Harris Federal Well No. 1 located 660 feet from the South line and 1980 feet from the East line (Unit O) of Section 5, Township 22 South, Range 34 East, in such a manner as to bottom the well in the Undesignated Grama Ridge-Morrow Gas Pool at a target point that is no closer to the South and East lines (Unit P) of said Section 5 than 330 feet, which is an unorthodox gas well location for said pool. Lots 1 and 2, S/2 NE/4, and SE/4 (E/2 equivalent) of said Section 5 is to be dedicated to said well forming a 321.58-acre gas spacing and proration unit for said pool. Said unit is located approximately 19 miles west by south of Eunice, New Mexico.

CASE 10116: (Continued from October 17, 1990, Examiner Hearing.)

Application of BTA Oil Producers for directional drilling, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks authorization to directionally drill its proposed Pardue "C", 8808 JV-P Well No. 1-Y from a surface location 611 feet from the South line and 1504 feet from the West line (Unit N) of Section 11, Township 23 South, Range 28 East, to a standard bottomhole oil well location in the Undesignated East Loving-Delaware Pool. Said well is to be dedicated to the 40-acre oil spacing and proration unit comprising the SE/4 SW/4 of said Section 11, which is located approximately 1/4 mile southwest of the Harroun Dam.

CASE 10138: Application of Arco Oil & Gas Company for amendment of the special rules and regulations for the Empire-Abo Pressure Maintenance Project, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks the amendment of the special rules and regulations for the Empire-Abo Pressure Maintenance Project Area, as promulgated by Division Orders No. R-4549 through R-4549-F, to permit the withdrawal of extraneous gas during winter months and the make-up of amounts withdrawn by injection of additional gas during the succeeding months. Said Pressure Maintenance Project Area is located in Townships 17 and 18 South, Ranges 27, 28 and 29 East.

CASE 10139: Application of Pacific Enterprises Oil Company (USA) 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 top of the Mississippian Chester Limestone formation or to a depth of 11,200 feet, whichever is deeper, underlying the N/2 of Section 12, 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 which presently includes but is not necessarily limited to the Undesignated Grayburg-Morrow Gas Pool, said unit 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 3.5 miles northwest of Loco Hills, New Mexico.

CASE 10115: (Continued from October 17, 1990, Examiner Hearing.)

Application of Marathon Oil Company for the assignment of a special depth bracket oil allowable, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks a special depth bracket oil allowable, pursuant to General Rule 505(d), of 460 barrels of oil per day for the Tamano-Bone Spring Pool in Township 18 South, Range 31 East, which is located approximately 8 miles southwest by south of Maljamar, New Mexico.

CASE 10140: Application of OXY USA, Inc. for a waterflood project, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks authority to institute a waterflood project on its State "BN" Lease underlying the SW/4 of Section 14, Township 10 South, Range 32 East, by the injection of water into the Mescalero-San Andres Pool, through a well to be drilled 1410 feet from the South line and 1405 feet from the West line (Unit K) of said Section 14. Said lease is located approximately 5 miles northeast of Caprock, New Mexico.

CASE 10066: (Continued from October 17, 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 10114: (Continued from October 17, 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 for an unorthodox coal gas well location for its Frost Well No. 500 to be located 2510 feet from the North line and 790 feet from the East line (Unit H) of Section 26, Township 27 North, Range 10 West, the N/2 of Section 26 to be dedicated to the subject well, forming a standard 320-acre gas spacing and proration unit for said pool. Said location is within the Angel Peak Recreation Area.

CASE 10102: (Readvertised)

Application of Sage Energy Company for statutory unitization, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order unitizing, for the purpose of establishing a secondary recovery project, all mineral interests in the North Vacuum-Abo Pool, underlying 1763 acres, more or less, of State land comprising all or portions of Sections 35 and 36, Township 16 South, Range 34 East. Said Unit is to be designated the North Vacuum (Abo) North Unit. Among the matters to be considered at the hearing will be the necessity of unit operations; the designation of a unit operator; the determination of horizontal and vertical limits of the unit area; the determination of the fair, reasonable, and equitable allocation of production tracts in the unit area; the determination of the fair, reasonable, and equitable allocation of production and costs of production, including capital investment, to each of the various tracts in the unit area; the determination of credits and charges to be made among the various owners in the unit area for their investment in wells and equipment; and such other matters as may be necessary and appropriate for carrying on efficient unit operations, including but not limited to, unit voting procedures, selection, removal or substitution of unit operator, and time of commencement and termination of unit operations. Applicant also requests that any such order issued in this case include a provision for carrying any non-consenting working interest owner within the unit area upon such terms and conditions to be determined by the Division as just and reasonable. Said Unit Area is located approximately 4 miles north by west of Buckeye, New Mexico.

CASE 10103: (Readvertised) (Continued from October 17, 1990, Examiner Hearing.)

Application of Sage Energy Company for a waterflood project, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks authority to institute a waterflood project on its proposed North Vacuum (Abo) North Unit located in all or portions of Sections 35 and 36, Township 16 South, Range 34 East and Sections 1, 2, and 12, Township 17 South, Range 34 East, by the injection of water into the North Vacuum-Abo Pool through 19 certain wells to be converted as injection wells. Said area is located approximately 4 miles north by west of Buckeye, New Mexico.

CASE 10099: (Readvertised) (Continued from October 17, 1990, Examiner Hearing.)

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 450 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 northwesterly 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 10127: (Readvertised)

Application of Samuel Gary Jr. & Associates, Inc. for a non-standard oil proration unit, horizontal directional drilling 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 Lots 2 and 3, S/2 NW/4, and SW/4 (W/2 equivalent) of Section 6, Township 20 North, Range 2 West, forming a non-standard 297.79-acre oil spacing and proration unit in the Rio Puerco-Mancos Oil Pool. The applicant proposes to commence its SGA Johnson "6" Well No. 14 to be located on the surface 500 feet from the South line and 2100 feet from the West line (Unit N) of said Section 6, drill vertically and kick-off in a northwesterly 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 7.5 miles west by south of Cuba, New Mexico.

CASE 10128: (Readvertised)

Application of Samuel Gary Jr. and Associates, Inc. for a horizontal directional drilling 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 12, 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 its SGA San Isidro "12" Well No. 16 to be located on the surface 1200 feet from the South line and 1800 feet from the West line (Unit N) of said Section 12, drill vertically and kick-off in a northwesterly 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 9 miles west-southwest of Cuba, New Mexico.

CASE 10066: (Continued from October 31, 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 10151: Application of Hal J. Rasmussen Operating, Inc. to amend Division Order No. R-9073, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks to amend Paragraph No. (7) in Exhibit "A" of Division Order No. R-9073 by the deletion of 40 acres comprising the SE/4 SW/4 (Unit N) of Section 9 from the existing 440-acre non-standard gas spacing and proration unit, thereby resulting in the formation of a 400-acre non-standard gas spacing and proration unit comprising the SW/4 of Section 4 and the N/2 NW/4, SW/4 NW/4, N/2 SW/4, and SW/4 SW/4 of Section 9, all in Township 23 South, Range 36 East, Jalmat Gas Pool. Said unit is located approximately 10 miles southwest of Eunice, New Mexico. IN THE ABSENCE OF OBJECTION THIS MATTER WILL BE TAKEN UNDER ADVISEMENT.

CASE 10152: 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 Undesignated North Osudo-Morrow Gas Pool, underlying all of Section 30, Township 19 South, Range 36 East, forming a non-standard 631.76-acre gas spacing and proration unit for said pool, said unit 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 the drilling of said well. Said unit is located approximately 5 miles south-southwest of Arkansas Junction, New Mexico.

CASE 10153: Application of Chevron U.S.A. Inc. to reinstate Order No. R-4224 and for simultaneous dedication, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks to reinstate Division Order No. R-4224 which authorized a 320-acre non-standard Eumont gas spacing and proration unit comprising the S/2 N/2 and N/2 S/2 of Section 29, Township 20 South, Range 37 East and had dedicated thereto its A.B. Reeves Wells Nos. 1 and 2 located in Units L and E, respectively. Applicant further seeks to simultaneously dedicate Eumont Gas Pool production from its A.B. Reeves Well No. 3 located at a standard gas well location 1980 feet from the North and East lines (Unit G) of said Section 29 with production from both the A.B. Reeves Wells Nos. 1 and 2 to said unit. Also, the applicant requests that previous Division Administrative Orders NSP-1408 and 1473(SD) be rescinded at this time. Said unit is located approximately 3 miles north by west of Oil Center, New Mexico.

CASE 10154: Application of Greenhill Petroleum Corporation for waterflood expansion, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks authority to expand its Lovington San Andres Unit Waterflood Project, Lovington-San Andres Pool, located in Townships 16 and 17 South, Ranges 36 and 37 East, by converting 18 producing wells into water injection wells. Said project area is located approximately 6 miles south-southeast of Lovington, New Mexico.

CASE 10155: Application of Union Oil Company of California for determination of permanent allocation of downhole commingled production and for the amendment of Division Order No. R-6375, as amended, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks to amend Division Order No. R-6375, as amended, by determining the proper permanent allocation of production from the Basin-Dakota and Largo-Gallup Pools for its Rincon Unit Well No. 164 located 1840 feet from the South line and 1090 feet from the West line (Unit L) of Section 2, Township 26 North, Range 7 West, which is approximately 21.25 miles southeast of Blanco, New Mexico.

CASE 10156: Application of ARCO Oil and Gas Company 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 Ellenburger formation, underlying the S/2 of Section 32, Township 20 South, Range 37 East, forming a standard 320-acre gas spacing and proration unit for any and all formations and/or pools developed on 320-acre spacing, said unit 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 the drilling of said well. Said unit is located approximately 2 miles north-northwest of Oil Center, New Mexico.

CASE 10116: (Continued from October 31, 1990, Examiner Hearing.)

Application of BTA Oil Producers for directional drilling, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks authorization to directionally drill its proposed Pardue "C", 8808 JV-P Well No. 1-Y from a surface location 611 feet from the South line and 1504 feet from the West line (Unit M) of Section 11, Township 23 South, Range 28 East, to a standard bottomhole oil well location in the Undesignated East Loving-Delaware Pool. Said well is to be dedicated to the 40-acre oil spacing and proration unit comprising the SE/4 SW/4 of said Section 11, which is located approximately 1/4 mile southwest of the Harroun Dam.

CASE 10157: Application of Grand Production Company 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 Atoka Formation underlying the E/2 SE/4 of Section 10, Township 17 South, Range 37 East, forming a standard 80-acre oil spacing and proration unit for any and all formations and/or pools developed on 80-acre spacing within said vertical extent, which includes, but is not necessarily limited to the Humble City-Strawn and Undesignated Humble City-Atoka 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 the drilling of said well. Said unit is located approximately 3.5 miles north by west of Humble City, New Mexico.

CASE 10158: Application of Morgan Richardson Operating 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 N/2 of Section 17, Township 28 North, Range 8 West, forming a standard 320-acre gas spacing and proration unit for said pool, said unit to be dedicated to a well to be drilled at a standard coal gas well location in the NE/4 of said Section 17. 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 8 miles east-southeast of Blanco, New Mexico.

CASE 10159: Application of Morgan Richardson Operating 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 S/2 of Section 17, Township 28 North, Range 8 West, forming a standard 320-acre gas spacing and proration unit for said pool, said unit to be dedicated to a well to be drilled at a standard coal gas well location in the SW/4 of said Section 17. 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 8 miles southeast by south of Blanco, New Mexico.

CASE 10160: (This case will be dismissed.)

Application of Bannon Energy Inc. for an unorthodox oil well location, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval of an unorthodox oil well location for its Federal 31 Well No. 4 to be drilled 1286 feet from the North line and 129 feet from the East line (Unit A) of Section 31, Township 24 North, Range 7 West, the NE/4 NE/4 of said Section 31 to be dedicated to said well forming a standard 40-acre oil spacing and proration unit for said pool. Said unit is located approximately 7.5 miles east of Nageesi, New Mexico.

CASE 10127: (Readvertised) (Continued from October 31, 1990, Examiner Hearing.)

Application of Samuel Gary Jr. & Associates, Inc. for a non-standard oil proration unit, horizontal directional drilling 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 Lots 2 and 3, S/2 NW/4, and SW/4 (W/2 equivalent) of Section 6, Township 20 North, Range 2 West, forming a non-standard 297.79-acre oil spacing and proration unit in the Rio Puerco-Mancos Oil Pool. The applicant proposes to commence its SGA Johnson "6" Well No. 14 to be located on the surface 500 feet from the South line and 2100 feet from the West line (Unit N) of said Section 6, drill vertically and kick-off in a northwesterly 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 7.5 miles west by south of Cuba, New Mexico.

CASE 10128: (Readvertised) (Continued from October 31, 1990, Examiner Hearing.)

Application of Samuel Gary Jr. and Associates, Inc. for a horizontal directional drilling 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 12, 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 its SGA San Isidro "12" Well No. 16 to be located on the surface 1200 feet from the South line and 1800 feet from the West line (Unit N) of said Section 12, drill vertically and kick-off in a northwesterly 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 9 miles west-southwest of Cuba, New Mexico.

CASE 10129: (Readvertised) (Continued from October 31, 1990, Examiner Hearing.)

Application of Samuel Gary Jr. and Associates, Inc. for a non-standard oil proration unit, horizontal directional drilling 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 Section 13, Township 20 North, Range 3 West, forming a non-standard 640-acre oil spacing and proration unit in the Rio Puerco-Mancos Oil Pool. The applicant proposes to commence its SGA San Isidro "13" Well No. 14 to be located on the surface 660 feet from the South line and 1980 feet from the East line (Unit O) of said Section 13, drill vertically and kick-off in a northwesterly 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 and for special allowable provisions for the proposed double sized oil proration unit. Said project area is located approximately 9.5 miles west-southwest of Cuba, New Mexico.