BEFORE THE NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

APPLICATION OF BHP PETROLEUM (AMERICAS) INC. FOR AN UNORTHODOX OIL WELL LOCATION, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

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APPLICATION

OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

BHP Petroleum (Americas) Inc. hereby applies for an order approving an unorthodox oil well location, and in support thereof states:

 Applicant is the working interest owner of the SW\2SE\2 of Section 20, Township 17 South, Range 37 East, N.M.P.M., Lea County, New Mexico.

2. Applicant proposes to drill its Kimbrough State Well No. 1 at a location 1,250 feet from the South line and 1,725 feet from the East line of Section 20 to a depth sufficient to test the Strawn formation (approximately 11,200 feet).

3. The SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 20 shall be dedicated to the well.

4. The granting of this Application is in the interests of conservation, the prevention of waste, and the protection of correlative rights.

5. Applicant requests that this matter be heard at the October 17, 1990 Examiner Hearing.

WHEREFORE, Applicant requests that, after hearing, the Division enter its Order approving the requested unorthodox oil well location.

Respectfully Submitted,

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