## STATE OF NEW MEXICO

## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY & MINERALS

## OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

IN THE MATTER OF

Case No. 8/97

The Application of Elk Oil Company for Approval of an Unorthodox Well Location, Lea County, New Mexico.

## APPLICATION

COMES NOW Elk Oil Company, by and through its attorneys, Rodey, Dickason, Sloan, Akin & Robb, P.A., and seeks approval for an unorthodox well location for its Northeast Kemnitz No. 9 Well, located 1980 feet from the north line and 560 feet from the west line of Section 26, Township 16 South, Range 34 East, N.M.P.M., Lea County, New Mexico, and states:

- 1. Applicant proposes to drill an Atoka-Morrow Well at the above described location to test the Pennsylvanian Formation and to dedicate the  $N^{\frac{1}{2}}$  of Section 26 to that well.
- 2. The drilling of that well at that described location, and the granting of this Application therefor, would be in the best interests of conservation, prevention of waste and protection of correletive rights.
- 3. The names and addresses of the offsetting operators, all of whom are being sent copies of this Application, are:

Amoco Production Company P. O. Box 3092 Houston, Texas 77253

Atlantic Richfield Company P. O. Box 1610 Midland, Texas 79702

Jane S. Parker c/o Howard Parker Parker & Parsley Petroleum Company P. O. Box 3178 Midland, Texas 79702

Exxon Company, USA P. O. Box 1600 Midland, Texas 79702

Shell Oil Company P. O. Box 991 Houston, Texas 77001

WHEREFORE, Applicant requests that after notice and hearing, this Application be granted.

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