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OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

Re: Application of Union Texas Petroleum Corporation for Approval of Infill Drilling, San Juan County, New Mexico.

Dear Mr. Stamets:

Enclosed in triplicate is the application of Union Texas Petroleum Corporation in the above-referenced case. Union Texas requests that this matter be placed on the docket for hearing at the Division's earliest possible date.

Your attention to this request is appreciated.

William F. Carr

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cc: Mr. Charles Sponberg
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BEFORE THE

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IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF UNION TEXAS PETROLEUM CORPORATION FOR APPROVAL OF INFILL DRILLING, SAN JUAN COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

Case No. 8408

APPLICATION

Comes now, UNION TEXAS PETROLEUM CORPORATION, by and through its undersigned attorneys, and hereby makes application to the Oil Conservation Division for an order approving the infill drilling in the Blanco Mesaverde Pool of its Culpepper-Martin Well No. 1E located in Unit P of Section 31, Township 32 North, Range 12 West, San Juan County, New Mexico, and in support thereof would show the Division:

- 1. Applicant is the operator of the proration unit comprised of the E/2 of Section 31, Township 32 North, Range 12 West, N.M.P.M., San Juan County, New Mexico.
- 2. Applicant has developed the above-described proration unit with three wells completed in the Blanco Mesaverde Pool: the Culpepper-Martin Well No. 1, drilled in 1951 and located in Unit P; the Culpepper-Martin Well No. 1A, drilled in 1981 and located in Unit G; and its Culpepper-Martin Well No. 1E, drilled in 1981 and located in Unit P.
- 3. That prior to producing gas from the Culpepper-Martin Well No. 1E, the Culpepper-Martin Well No. 1 was temporarily abandoned in the Blanco Mesaverde Pool and subsequently plugged.

4. The Blanco Mesaverde Pool underlying the E/2 of said Section 31 is currently being produced by the Culpeapper-Martin Wells Nos. 1E and 1A.

5. Applicant seeks an order approving the Culpepper-Martin Well No. 1E as an infill well under Section 103 of the Natural Gas Policy Act of 1978 and further finding the Culpepper-Martin Well No. 1E is necessary in order to efficiently and economically drain the proration unit.

6. That granting this application will be in the best interest of conservation, the prevention of waste and the protection of correlative rights.

WHEREFORE, applicant requests that this matter be set for hearing before the Division's duly appointed examiner, and that after notice and hearing as required by law, the Division enter its Order granting the relief sought herein.

Respectfully submitted,

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