

BEFORE THE
OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION
NEW MEXICO DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY AND MINERALS

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OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION
OF TEXACO INC., FOR COMPULSORY
POOLING, CHAVES COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

Case No. 8706

APPLICATION

COMES NOW, Texaco Inc., by and through its undersigned attorneys and, as provided By Section 70-2-17, N.M.S.A. (1978), hereby makes application for an order pooling all of the mineral interests in the Abo formation, in and under the SE/4 of Section 17, Township 6 South, Range 26, East, N.M.P.M., Chaves County, New Mexico, and in support thereof would show the Division:

1. Applicant owns 37.5% of the working interest in and under the SE/4 of said Section 17, and applicant has the right to drill thereon.

2. Applicant proposes to dedicate the above-referenced pooled unit to a well to be drilled at an orthodox location 1980 feet from the South line and 660 feet from the East line of said Section 17.

3. Applicant has sought and obtained either voluntary agreement for pooling or farmout from all other interest owners in the SE/4 of said Section 17, except for Stevens Oil Company, Post Office Box 2203, Roswell, New Mexico 87201; Curtis Stevens, Post Office Box 2203, Roswell, New Mexico 87201; Rio Petrol, Inc.,

300 Harbor Building, 100 Second Avenue South, Edmonds, Washington, 98020; and John D. Codigan, 300 Harbor Building, 100 Second Avenue South, Edmonds, Washington 98020, which interests collectively own or control a 28.13% working interest.

4. Said pooling of interests and well completion will avoid the drilling of unnecessary wells, will prevent waste and will protect correlative rights.

5. In order to permit the applicant to obtain its just and fair share of the oil and gas underlying the subject lands, the mineral interests should be pooled, and applicant should be designated the operator or the well to be drilled.

WHEREFORE, applicant prays that this application be set for hearing before a duly appointed Examiner of the Oil Conservation Division on September 25, 1985, and that after notice and hearing as required by law, the Division enter its order pooling the lands, including provisions for applicant to recover its costs of drilling, equippint and completing the well, its costs of supervision while drilling and after completion, including overhead charges, and imposing a risk factor for the risk assumed by the applicant in drilling, completing and equipping the well, approving the location of the well as proposed by applicant, and making such other and further provisions as may be proper in the premises.

Respectfully submitted,

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