

Dockets Nos. 1-88 and 2-88 are tentatively set for January 6, and January 20, 1988. Applications for hearing must be filed at least 22 days in advance of hearing date.

DOCKET: EXAMINER HEARING - WEDNESDAY - DECEMBER 16, 1987

8:15 A.M. - OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION CONFERENCE ROOM,
STATE LAND OFFICE BUILDING, SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

The following cases will be heard before David R. Catanach, Examiner, or Michael E. Stogner, Alternate Examiner:

- ALLOWABLE:
- (1) Consideration of the allowable production of gas for January, 1988, from fourteen prorated pools in Lea, Eddy, and Chaves Counties, New Mexico.
 - (2) Consideration of the allowable production of gas for January, 1988, from four prorated pools in San Juan, Rio Arriba, and Sandoval Counties, New Mexico.

CASE 9238: (Continued from December 2, 1987, Examiner Hearing)

Application of Yates Petroleum Corporation for downhole commingling, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval to commingle production from the Sarmal-Queen and the Undesignated Maljamar Grayburg-San Andres Pools in the wellbore of its Hoover "ADR" State Well No. 6 located 330 feet from the South line and 990 feet from the West line (Unit M) of Section 11, Township 17 South, Range 33 East. Said well is located approximately 8 miles south of Maljamar, New Mexico.

CASE 9275: Application of Sun Exploration and Production Company for amendment of Division Order No. R-6483, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks to amend Division Order No. R-6483 by authorizing its proposed State "A" A/C-2 Well No. 73 to be drilled at an unorthodox gas well location 990 feet from the South line and 660 feet from the East line (Unit P) of Section 11, Township 22 South, Range 36 East, Jalmat Gas Pool. Said well is to be simultaneously dedicated, along with the State "A" A/C-2 Wells Nos. 14, 36, 42 and 62 located in Units B, M, E, and K, respectively, of said Section 11, to the 640-acre standard Jalmat gas proration unit comprising all of said Section 11, previously authorized by said Order No. R-6483. The subject well location is approximately 5 miles southwest of Eunice, New Mexico.

CASE 9240: (Continued from December 2, 1987, Examiner Hearing)

Application of Jerome P. McHugh for compulsory pooling or, in the alternative, an unorthodox oil well location and a non-standard oil proration unit, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests in the West Puerto Chiquito-Mancos Oil Pool underlying all of Section 35, Township 24 North, Range 1 West, forming a standard 640-acre oil spacing and proration unit in said 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. In the alternative, applicant seeks approval of a 320-acre non-standard oil spacing and proration unit in said pool consisting of the E/2 of said Section 35 to be dedicated to a well to be drilled at an unorthodox oil well location 890 feet from the North line and 840 feet from the East line (Unit A) of said Section 35. Said location is approximately 7 miles east-southeast of Lindrith, New Mexico.

CASE 9235: (Reopened) (Continued from December 2, 1987, Examiner Hearing)

Application of Conoco Inc. for an exception to Division Order No. R-3221, as amended, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an exception to the provisions of Division Order No. R-3221, as amended, to permit the disposal of water produced in conjunction with the production of oil and gas from its Buffalo Federal Lease into an unlined pit located in the NW/4 SW/4 of Section 18, Township 18 South, Range 32 East. Said area is located on the Lea County side of the Lea/Eddy County line approximately 3.75 miles south of Mile Post No. 4 located on New Mexico Highway 529.

CASE 9276: Application of Marathon Oil Company for an unorthodox gas well location and a non-standard gas proration unit, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval of an unorthodox gas well location 560 feet from the South line and 1550 feet from the West line (Unit N) of Section 20, Township 21 South, Range 24 East, Indian Basin-Morrow Gas Pool, all of said Section 20 to be dedicated to said well forming a non-standard 631.58-acre gas spacing and proration unit for said pool which is developed on 640-acre spacing. Said location is approximately 2.5 miles east of the Marathon Oil Company's Indian Basin Gas Plant.

CASE 9123: (Continued from November 18, 1987, Examiner Hearing)

Application of Curtis J. Little for a non-standard gas proration unit and for an exception to Rule 5(a)2(2) of Division Order No. R-8170, as amended, San Juan County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for a 160-acre non-standard gas spacing and proration unit comprising the SE/4 of Section 14, Township 27 North, Range 13 West, Basin-Dakota Pool, to be dedicated to the applicant's Fairfield Well No. 1-E, located 1850 feet from the South line and 800 feet from the East line (Unit I) of said Section 14. Applicant further seeks an exception to Rule 5(a)2(2) of the General Rules for the Prorated Gas Pools of New Mexico as promulgated by Division Order No. R-8170, as amended, permitting the application of a full deliverability factor in the formula utilized in determining the allowable for said non-standard gas proration unit.

CASE 9124: (Continued from November 18, 1987, Examiner Hearing)

Application of Rocanville Corporation for a non-standard gas proration unit and for an exception to Rule 5(a)2(2) of Division Order No. R-8170, as amended, San Juan County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for a 160-acre non-standard gas spacing and proration unit comprising the NE/4 of Section 14, Township 27 North, Range 13 West, Basin-Dakota Pool, to be dedicated to the applicant's Fairfield Well No. 1, located 1100 feet from the North line and 990 feet from the East line (Unit A) of said Section 14. Applicant further seeks an exception to Rule 5(a)2(2) of the General Rules for the Prorated Gas Pools of New Mexico as promulgated by Division Order No. R-8170, as amended, permitting the application of a full deliverability factor in the formula utilized in determining the allowable for said non-standard gas proration unit.

CASE 9277: Application of Reading and Bates Petroleum Company for compulsory pooling, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests in the Gavilan-Mancos Oil Pool underlying all of Section 10, Township 25 North, Range 2 West, forming a standard 640-acre oil spacing and proration unit for said 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 approximately 7 miles north of Lindrieth, New Mexico.

CASE 9278: Application of Texaco Producing, Inc. for an unorthodox oil well location, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval of an unorthodox oil well location to be drilled 1350 feet from the South line and 2410 feet from the East line (Unit J) of Section 32, Township 16 South, Range 37 East, Undesignated East Lovington-Pennsylvanian Pool, the NW/4 SE/4 of said Section 32 to be dedicated to the well forming a standard 40-acre oil spacing and proration unit for said pool. Said location is approximately 5.5 miles southeast of Lovington, New Mexico.

CASE 9279: Application of Texaco Inc. for a non-standard gas proration unit, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for an 80-acre non-standard gas spacing and proration unit comprising the E/2 SE/4 of Section 15, Township 17 South, Range 32 East, Undesignated Maljamar-Queen Gas Pool, to be dedicated to its Federal U.S.A. "C" Well No. 2 located at a standard gas well location 1650 feet from the South line and 660 feet from the East line (Unit I) of said Section 15. Said well is located approximately 2 miles South-Southeast of Maljamar, New Mexico.

CASE 9280: Application of Lewis B. Burlison, Inc. for an unorthodox gas well location and simultaneous dedication, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval of an unorthodox gas well location for existing State A-7 Well No. 2 located 1650 feet from the South and East lines (Unit J) of Section 7, Township 19 South, Range 37 East, Eumont Gas Pool, and the simultaneous dedication of the previously approved 168.9-acre non-standard gas spacing and proration unit consisting of Lot 3, NE/4 SW/4, and N/2 SE/4 of said Section 7 (Division Order No. R-4481, dated February 14, 1973), to this well and to the existing State A-7 Well No. 1 located 1980 feet from the South line and 660 feet from the East line (Unit I) of said Section 7. Said unit is located approximately 1 mile south of the Northern Natural Gas Company (ENRON) Hobbs Gasoline Plant.

Dockets Nos. 2-88 and 3-88 are tentatively set for January 20 and February 3, 1988. Applications for hearing must be filed at least 22 days in advance of hearing date.

DOCKET: EXAMINER HEARING - WEDNESDAY - JANUARY 6, 1988

8:15 A.M. - OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION CONFERENCE ROOM,
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CASE 9281:

Application of H. L. Brown, Jr. for an unorthodox oil well location, Roosevelt County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval of an unorthodox oil well location to be drilled 1650 feet from the North line and 330 feet from the East line (Unit H) of Section 28, Township 7 South, Range 37 East, Undesignated North Bluit Siluro-Devonian Pool, the S/2 NE/4 of said Section 28 to be dedicated to the well forming a standard 80-acre spacing and proration unit for said pool. Said location is approximately 3 miles North of the Perkins Memorial Cemetery.

CASE 9282:

Application of Mobil Producing Texas and New Mexico Inc. for the expansion of the West Lindrith Gallup-Dakota Oil Pool, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks the expansion of the West Lindrith Gallup-Dakota Oil Pool to include all of Sections 6, 7, 8, and 9, Township 24 North, Range 2 West. Said area is approximately one-half mile north of Lindrith, New Mexico.

CASE 8874: (Reopened) (Continued from November 18, 1987, Examiner Hearing)

In the matter of Case 8874 being reopened pursuant to the provisions of Division Order No. R-639-C, which order reclassified the Crosby-Devonian Gas Pool in Lea County as an associated pool. Interested parties may appear and show cause why the Crosby-Devonian Associated Pool should not be reclassified as a gas pool to be governed by the rules set forth by Division Orders Nos. R-639, as amended, and R-8170, as amended.

CASE 9283:

Application of Nearburg Producing Company for compulsory pooling and unorthodox gas well location, 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 Mississippian formation underlying the E/2 of Section 15, Township 20 South, Range 25 East, forming a standard 320-acre gas spacing and proration unit to be dedicated to a well to be drilled at an unorthodox gas well location 1755 feet from the North line and 660 feet from the East line (Unit H) of said Section 15. 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 proposed well is approximately 3 miles southeast of the townsite of Seven Rivers.

CASE 9277: (Continued from December 16, 1987, Examiner Hearing)

Application of Reading and Bates Company for compulsory pooling, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests in the Gavilan-Mancos Oil Pool underlying all of Section 10, Township 25 North, Range 2 West, forming a standard 640-acre oil spacing and proration unit for said 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 approximately 7 miles north of Lindrith, New Mexico.

CASE 9284:

Application of Enron Oil and Gas Company for compulsory pooling, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests in the Atoka formation underlying the N/2 of Section 17, Township 24 South, Range 35 East, forming a standard 320-acre gas spacing and proration unit for said formation, or pooling all mineral interests in the Morrow formation underlying all of said Section 17 forming a standard 640-acre gas spacing and proration unit in the Cinta Roja-Morrow Gas Pool for said formation, both units 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 well is located approximately 26 miles west of Jal, New Mexico.

CASE 9285: (This case will be continued to the January 20, 1987, Examiner Hearing.)

Application of Bettis Brothers, Inc. for an unorthodox gas well location, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval of an unorthodox gas well location 660 feet from the North line and 860 feet from the East line (Unit A) of Section 8, Township 25 South, Range 29 East, to test the Delaware, Wolfcamp, Strawn, Atoka and Morrow formations, the N/2 of said Section 8 to be dedicated to said well forming a standard 320-acre gas spacing and proration unit for said pool. Said location is approximately 8 miles southeast of Malaga, New Mexico.

CASE 9286:

Application of Curtis J. Little for a non-standard oil proration unit, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for a 160-acre non-standard oil spacing and proration unit comprising the S/2 NE/4 and N/2 SE/4 of Section 2, Township 25 North, Range 3 West, West Lindrith Gallup-Dakota Oil Pool, to be dedicated to a well to be drilled at a standard oil well location thereon. Said unit is located approximately 1 mile west of the Ojito Post Office.

CASE 9276: (Continued from December 16, 1987, Examiner Hearing)

Application of Marathon Oil Company for an unorthodox gas well location and a non-standard gas proration unit, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval of an unorthodox gas well location 560 feet from the South line and 1550 feet from the West line (Unit N) of Section 20, Township 21 South, Range 24 East, Indian Basin-Morrow Gas Pool, all of said Section 20 to be dedicated to said well forming a non-standard 631.58-acre gas spacing and proration unit for said pool which is developed on 640-acre spacing. Said location is approximately 2.5 miles east of the Marathon Oil Company's Indian Basin Gas Plant.

CASE 9279: (Continued from December 16, 1987, Examiner Hearing)

Application of Texaco Inc. for a non-standard gas proration unit, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for an 80-acre non-standard gas spacing and proration unit comprising the E/2 SE/4 of Section 15, Township 17 South, Range 32 East, Undesignated Maljamar-Queen Gas Pool, to be dedicated to its Federal U.S.A. "C" Well No. 2 located at a standard gas well location 650 feet from the South line and 660 feet from the East line (Unit I) of said Section 15. Said well is located approximately 2 miles South-Southeast of Maljamar, New Mexico.

CASE 9287:

Application of Penroc Oil Corporation for salt water disposal, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks authority to dispose of produced salt water into the Vacuum Grayburg-San Andres Pool in the perforated interval from approximately 4790 feet to 5086 feet in its George McGonagill Well No. 1 located 330 feet from the North line and 990 feet from the East line (Unit A) of Section 2, Township 18 South, Range 35 East. Said well is approximately 6 miles southeast of Buckeye, New Mexico.

CASE 9288:

Application of Primary Fuels, Inc. for compulsory pooling, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests below the top of the Wolfcamp formation underlying the N/2 of Section 19, Township 22 South, Range 26 East, forming a standard 320-acre gas spacing and proration unit for any and all formations and/or pools within this vertical extent, 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 5 miles Southwest of Carlsbad, New Mexico.

CASE 9289:

Application of Foran Oil Company for compulsory pooling and unorthodox well location, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests underlying the following described acreage in Section 5, Township 16 South, Range 36 East, in the following described manner:

Lots 11 through 14 and SW/4 of Section 5 to form a 320-acre, more or less, gas spacing and proration unit for any and all formations and/or pools within said vertical limits developed on 320-acre spacing; and

Lots 11 and 14 to form an 80-acre, more or less, oil spacing and proration unit for any and all formations and/or pools within said vertical limits developed on 80-acre spacing; and

Lot 14 to form a 40-acre, more or less, oil spacing and proration unit for any and all formations and/or pools within said vertical limits developed on 40-acre spacing.

All of the above described units are to be dedicated to a well to be drilled at an unorthodox well location 3950 feet from the North line and 1550 feet from the West line (Unit K) 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 approximately one-half mile West of Lovington, New Mexico.

CASE 9290:

Application of Foran Oil Company for compulsory pooling, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests underlying the following described acreage in Section 8, Township 16 South, Range 37 East, in the following described manner:

W/2 SW/4 to form an 80-acre, more or less, oil spacing and proration unit for any and all formations and/or pools within said vertical limits developed on 80-acre spacing; and

NW/4 SW/4 to form a 40-acre, more or less, oil spacing and proration unit for any and all formations and/or pools within said vertical limits developed on 40-acre spacing.