

CASE 9376: (Continued from May 11, 1988, Examiner Hearing)

Application of Nearburg Producing Company to amend Division Order No. R-8605 and the assignment of an oil allowable retroactive to April 1, 1988, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks to amend Division Order No. R-8605, dated March 8, 1988, by changing the non-standard oil proration unit to include Lots 3 and 4 of Section 19, Township 16 South, Range 37 East, to be dedicated to its Soledad "19M" Well No. 1 located at an unorthodox location 1000 feet from the South and West lines of said Section 19 thereby forming a non-standard oil spacing and proration unit consisting of 100.81 acres. Applicant also seeks the assignment of an oil allowable for said well to be made retroactive to April 1, 1988 based on the new acreage factor. Said well is located approximately 4.25 miles southeast of Lovington, New Mexico.

CASE 9353: (Continued from April 27, 1988, Examiner Hearing)

Application of Read & Stevens, Inc. for an unorthodox gas well location, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for an unorthodox gas well location 660 feet from the North and East lines (Unit A) of Section 19, Township 19 South, Range 29 East, Undesignated Turkey Track-Morrow Gas Pool or Undesignated West Parkway-Morrow Gas Pool, the E/2 of said Section 19 to be dedicated to said well forming a standard 320-acre gas spacing and proration unit for either pool. Said location is approximately 7.5 miles southeast by east of the old Illinois Camp.

CASE 9366: (Readvertised)

Application of Exxon Corporation for an unorthodox oil well location, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for an unorthodox oil well location 990 feet from the South line and 330 feet from the East line (Unit P) of Section 9, Township 17 South, Range 37 East, Undesignated Shipp-Strawn Pool, the S/2 SE/4 of said Section 9 to be dedicated to the well forming a standard 80-acre oil spacing and proration unit for said pool. Said location is approximately 3.8 miles northwest by north of Humble City, New Mexico.

CASE 9387: Application of Exxon Corporation for an unorthodox gas well location, downhole commingling, hydrocarbon storage authority, and relief from the reporting requirements of Division General Rule 1131, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval to commingle gas production from the Happy Valley-Morrow Gas Pool with the Undesignated Northeast Sheep Draw-Strawn Gas Pool in the wellbore of its Happy Valley "B" Federal Com Well No. 1 located at a previously approved unorthodox gas well location for the Morrow zone (NSL-2152) 1471 feet from the South line and 1908 feet from the West line (Unit K) of Section 28, Township 22 South, Range 26 East. Applicant further requests approval to utilize the Strawn zone in said well for storage of gas from the Morrow zone and an exemption from the reporting requirements of Division General Rule 1131. Said well is located approximately 1 mile northwest by west of the Carlsbad City Dump.

CASE 9362: (Continued from April 27, 1988, Examiner Hearing)

Application of Meridian Oil Inc. for the extension of the vertical limits of the Cedar Hill-Fruitland Basal Coal Pool and the concomitant contraction of the Mount Nebo-Fruitland Pool, San Juan County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks the extension of the vertical limits of the Cedar Hill-Fruitland Basal Coal Pool to include any and all coal zones of the Fruitland formation, from approximately 2,579 feet to 2,878 feet, in Sections 3 through 6, Township 31 North, Range 10 West, and Sections 19 through 22 and 27 through 34, Township 37 North, Range 10 West. Applicant also seeks the concomitant contraction of said zones from the Mount Nebo-Fruitland Pool. Said area consists of 16 square miles in the form of a square centered approximately 5.5 miles east by north of Cedar Hill, New Mexico.

CASE 9388: Application of Curtis J. Little Oil and Gas for compulsory pooling, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests from the surface to a depth of approximately 8,300 feet underlying the SE/4 of Section 1, Township 25 North, Range 3 West, to form a standard 160-acre, more or less, gas spacing and proration unit for any and all formations and/or pools within said vertical limits developed on 160-acre spacing 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 located approximately one quarter mile south of the Ojito Post Office.

CASE 9389: Application of Robert N. Enfield for compulsory pooling and an unorthodox gas well location, Chaves County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests from the surface to the base of the Devonian formation underlying the NW/4 of Section 29, Township 7 South, Range 31 East, to form a standard 160-acre gas spacing and proration unit for any and all formations and/or pools developed on 160-acre spacing within said vertical limits or the W/2 of said Section 29 to form a standard 320-acre gas spacing and proration unit for any and all formations and/or pools developed on 320-acre spacing within said vertical limits, both aforementioned units to be dedicated to its E. McCombs Well No. 1 drilled at an unorthodox gas well location (for a 320-acre dedication) 1650 feet from the North line and 990 feet from the West line (Unit E) of said Section 29. 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 units are located approximately 11 miles south by west of Kenna, New Mexico.

CASE 9390: Application of Robert N. Enfield for pool creation and special pool rules, Chaves County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks the creation of a new pool for the production of gas from the Devonian formation comprising the W/2 of Section 29, Township 7 South, Range 31 East, and for the promulgation of special rules and regulations for said pool including a provision for 160-acre spacing and proration units and designated well locations. Said area is located approximately 11 miles south by west of Kenna, New Mexico.

CASE 9391: 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 in the Strawn formation underlying the E/2 SE/4 of Section 7, Township 16 South, Range 37 East, forming a standard 80-acre oil spacing and proration unit for the Northeast Lovington-Pennsylvanian Pool, to be dedicated to a well to be drilled at a standard oil well location in the NE/4 SE/4 (Unit I) of said Section 7. 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 4 miles east by south of the junction of U.S. Highway 82 and New Mexico State 18 in Lovington, New Mexico.

CASE 9392: Application of Foran Oil Company for compulsory pooling and non-standard gas proration unit, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests from the surface to either the base of the Morrow formation or to a depth of 13,000 feet, whichever is deeper, underlying the SE/4, E/2 SW/4, and Lots 3 and 4 of Section 30, Township 21 South, Range 35 East, forming a 312.05-acre, more or less, non-standard gas spacing and proration unit for any and all formations and/or pools within said vertical limits developed on 320-acre spacing, and the SE/4 of said Section 30 forming a standard 160-acre gas spacing and proration unit for any and all formations and/or pools within said vertical limits developed on 160-acre gas well spacing, both aforementioned units 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 area is approximately 2.5 miles south of the junction of New Mexico State Road 176 and County Road 32.

CASE 9393: Application of Tenneco Oil Company for exceptions to Rule 2(b) of the special rules governing the Blanco-Mesaverde Pool, infill well findings, and five unorthodox gas well locations, San Juan County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an exception to Rule 2(b) of the special rules and regulations for the Blanco-Mesaverde Pool as promulgated by Division Order No. R-8170, as amended, allowing a third well to be drilled and produced within 16 certain proration units, each well to be drilled within the quarter section that contains the original well in the unit, five of which are unorthodox (as listed below), and for an effective and efficient finding on each well, pursuant to F.E.R.C. Rule 271.305.

1. 1720' FSL & 1610' FWL, Section 28, T30N, R8W
2. 1620' FSL & 1005' FWL, Section 27, T30N, R8W
3. 300' FNL & 1230' FEL, Section 27, T30N, R8W
4. 2160' FNL & 395' FEL, Section 3, T31N, R11W
5. 1125' FNL & 1828' FEL, Section 27, T29N, R8W

CASE 9394: In the matter of the hearing called by the Oil Conservation Division on its own motion for an order creating and extending certain pools in Chaves and Eddy Counties, New Mexico.

(a) CREATE a new pool in Eddy County, New Mexico, classified as a gas pool for Wolfcamp production and designated as the Sulphate Draw-Wolfcamp Gas Pool. The discovery well is the Enron Oil and Gas Harkey 35 State Well No. 1 located in Unit J of Section 35, Township 24 South, Range 27 East, NMPM. Said pool would comprise:

TOWNSHIP 24 SOUTH, RANGE 27 EAST, NMPM
Section 35: E/2

(b) EXTEND the East Avalon-Bone Spring Pool in Eddy County, New Mexico, to include therein:

TOWNSHIP 21 SOUTH, RANGE 27 EAST, NMPM
Section 11: NW/4

(c) EXTEND the Benson-Bone Spring Pool in Eddy County, New Mexico, to include therein:

TOWNSHIP 19 SOUTH, RANGE 30 EAST, NMPM
Section 11: SE/4

(d) EXTEND the Benson-Strawn Gas Pool in Eddy County, New Mexico, to include therein:

TOWNSHIP 19 SOUTH, RANGE 30 EAST, NMPM
Section 4: E/2

CASE 9409: (Readvertised)

Application of Conoco Inc. for an unorthodox oil well location and simultaneous dedication, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval of an unorthodox oil well location 1550 feet from the North line and 2460 feet from the West line (Unit F) of Section 19, Township 26 South, Range 37 East, Scarborough Yates-Seven Rivers Pool, to be simultaneously dedicated to the existing 40-acre proration unit consisting of the SE/4 NW/4 of said Section 19 to the above-described well and to its Eaves A. Well No. 4 located 1980 feet from the North line and 1650 feet from the West line of said Section 19. Said unit is approximately 2 miles north of Mile Corner 8 on the Texas/New Mexico State line.

CASE 8822: (Reopened)

In the matter of Case No. 8822 being reopened pursuant to the provisions of Division Order No. R-8188-A, which promulgated temporary special rules and regulations for the Northeast Ojito Gallup-Dakota Oil Pool in Rio Arriba County, New Mexico, including a provision for 160-acre spacing units. Operators in the subject pool may appear and show cause why the Northeast Ojito Gallup-Dakota Oil Pool should not be developed on standard statewide 40-acre proration unit.

CASE 9418: Application of Inexco Oil Company 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 1200 feet from the North line and 500 feet from the West line (Unit D) of Section 17, Township 16 South, Range 36 East, Undesignated West Lovington-Pennsylvanian Pool, the NW/4 NW/4 of said Section 17 to be dedicated to said well. Said location is approximately 2 miles west-northwest of Lovington, New Mexico.

CASE 9387: (Readvertised)

Application of Exxon Corporation for an unorthodox gas well location, downhole commingling, hydrocarbon storage authority, and relief from the reporting requirements of Division General Rule 1131, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval to commingle gas production from the Happy Valley-Morrow Gas Pool with the Northeast Sheep Draw-Strawn Gas Pool in the wellbore of its Happy Valley Federal Com Well No. 1 located at a previously approved unorthodox gas well location for the Morrow zone (NSL-2010) 1780 feet from the North line and 1830 feet from the East line (Unit G) of Section 28, Township 22 South, Range 26 East. Applicant further requests approval to utilize the Strawn zone in said well for storage of gas from the Morrow zone and an exemption from the reporting requirements of Division General Rule 1131. Said well is located approximately 1.25 miles northwest by north of the Carlsbad City Dump.

CASE 9389: (Continued from May 25, 1988, Examiner hearing)

Application of Robert N. Enfield for compulsory pooling and an unorthodox gas well location, Chaves County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests from the surface to the base of the Devonian formation underlying the NW/4 of Section 29, Township 7 South, Range 31 East, to form a standard 160-acre gas spacing and proration unit for any and all formations and/or pools developed on 160-acre spacing within said vertical limits or the W/2 of said Section 29 to form a standard 320-acre gas spacing and proration unit for any and all formations and/or pools developed on 320-acre spacing within said vertical limits, both aforementioned units to be dedicated to its E. McCombs Well No. 1 drilled at an unorthodox gas well location (for a 320-acre dedication) 1650 feet from the North line and 990 feet from the West line (Unit E) of said Section 29. 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 units are located approximately 11 miles south by west of Kenna, New Mexico.

CASE 9353: (Continued from June 8, 1988, Examiner Hearing)

Application of Read & Stevens, Inc. for an unorthodox gas well location, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for an unorthodox gas well location 660 feet from the North and East lines (Unit A) of Section 19, Township 19 South, Range 29 East, Undesignated Turkey Track-Morrow Gas Pool or Undesignated West Parkway-Morrow Gas Pool, the E/2 of said Section 19 to be dedicated to said well forming a standard 320-acre gas spacing and proration unit for either pool. Said location is approximately 7.5 miles southeast by east of the old Illinois Camp.

CASE 9397: (Readvertised)

Application of Petrus Oil Company, L. P. for an unorthodox oil well location, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval of an unorthodox oil well location 1650 feet from the South line and 1310 feet from the West line (Unit L) of Section 11, Township 17 South, Range 33 East, Undesignated Sannal-Queen Pool, the NW/4 SW/4 of said Section 11 to be dedicated to said well. Said location is approximately 7 miles east of Maljamar, New Mexico.

CASE 9394 (Reopened and Readvertised)

In the matter of the hearing called by the Oil Conservation Division on its own motion for an order extending a certain pool in Chaves County, New Mexico.

TOWNSHIP 10 SOUTH, RANGE 27 EAST, NMPM
Section 21: S/2 NE/4 and NW/4 NE/4

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CASE 9413: (Continued from June 22, 1988, Examiner Hearing)

Application of Yates Petroleum Company for special pool rules, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks the promulgation of temporary special pool rules for the Avalon-Delaware Pool located in portions of Township 20 South, Ranges 27 and 28 East, including a provision to increase the gas-oil ratio limitation to 5,000 cubic feet of gas per barrel of oil. Said area is located approximately 9 miles north of Carlsbad, New Mexico.

CASE 9389: (Continued from June 22, 1988, Examiner Hearing)

Application of Robert N. Enfield for compulsory pooling and an unorthodox gas well location, Chaves County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests from the surface to the base of the Devonian formation underlying the NW/4 of Section 29, Township 7 South, Range 31 East, to form a standard 160-acre gas spacing and proration unit for any and all formations and/or pools developed on 160-acre spacing within said vertical limits or the W/2 of said Section 29 to form a standard 320-acre gas spacing and proration unit for any and all formations and/or pools developed on 320-acre spacing within said vertical limits, both aforementioned units to be dedicated to its E. McCombs Well No. 1 drilled at an unorthodox gas well location (for a 320-acre dedication) 1650 feet from the North line and 990 feet from the West line (Unit E) of said Section 29. 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 units are located approximately 11 miles south by west of Kenna, New Mexico.

CASE 9359: (Continued from May 25, 1988, Examiner Hearing)

Application of Dugan Production Corporation for a non-standard oil proration unit, Sandoval County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an exception to the Special Rules and Regulations for the Rio Puerco-Mancos Oil Pool as promulgated by Division Order No. R-7471, as amended, to form a 160-acre non-standard oil spacing and proration unit for said pool comprising the NW/4 of Section 25, Township 21 North, Range 4 West, to be dedicated to the existing Husky Federal Well No. 2 located at a standard location 990 feet from the North and West lines (Unit D) of said Section 25. Said well is located approximately 3.25 miles south of Milepost 75 on New Mexico Highway No. 44.

CASE 9422: Application of Meridian Oil Company for central-point gas measurement, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval to install a central meter run at the end of El Paso Natural Gas Company's pipeline lateral 2C-90, thereby allowing 17 Ballard-Pictured Cliffs producing wells in the Canyon Large Unit to be commingled on the surface and their combined volumes to be metered at one central point. Said metering location is to be in the SE/4 of Section 4, Township 25 North, Range 7 West, being approximately 6 miles northeast by north of Nagese1, New Mexico.

CASE 9423: Application of Meridian Oil Company for central-point gas measurement, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval to install a central meter run at the end of El Paso Natural Gas Company's pipeline laterals 2C-18 and 2C-151, which are looped together, thereby allowing 26 Blanco Pictured Cliffs producing wells in the Lindrith Unit to be commingled on the surface and their combined volumes to be metered at one point. Said metering location to be in the NW/4 of Section 13, Township 24 North, Range 3 West, being approximately 4 miles west of Lindrith, New Mexico.

CASE 9415: (Continued from June 22, 1988, Examiner Hearing)

Application of Manzano Oil Corporation for compulsory pooling, 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 Undesignated Santo Nino-Bone Spring Pool underlying either the SW/4 SE/4 of Section 30, Township 18 South, Range 30 East, to form a standard statewide 40-acre oil spacing and proration unit within said vertical limits or the W/2 SE/4 of said Section 30, to form a standard 80-acre oil spacing and proration unit for any and all formations and/or pools within said vertical limits developed on 80-acre spacing, both aforementioned units 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 risk involved in drilling said well. Said units are located 7.5 miles south by west of Loco Hills, New Mexico.

CASE 9424: (This case will be continued to July 20, 1988)

Application of Horizon Oil and Gas Company for a non-standard oil proration unit and downhole commingling, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an approval to commingle production from the Monument-Paddock, Monument-Blinebry, and Undesignated Monument-Tubb Pools within the wellbore of its Anderson Well No. 1 located at a standard oil well location for said zones 330 feet from the South line and 1980 feet for the East line (Unit O) of Section 8, Township 20 South, Range 37 East. Applicant further seeks approval for a 40-acre non-standard oil spacing and proration unit for the Monument-Tubb Pool production for said well comprising the SW/4 SE/4 of said Section 8. Said well is located approximately three miles south of Monument, New Mexico.

CASE 9402: (Continued from June 8, 1988, Examiner Hearing)

Application of Union Texas Petroleum Corporation for an infill well finding, San Juan County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order, pursuant to FERC Rule 271.305 of the Natural Gas Policy Act of 1978 and to Rule 16.A.5 of Division Order No. R-5878-B, as amended, showing that its State Com Well No. 1-A located 1028 feet from the North line and 1120 feet from the East line (Unit A) of Section 16, Township 28 North, Range 9 West, Basin-Dakota Pool, is needed to effectively and efficiently drain the existing 320-acre gas spacing and proration unit comprising the E/2 of said Section 16 which could not otherwise be produced by either the existing well or any other such well which has produced from the Basin-Dakota Pool within said unit. This unit is located approximately 4.75 miles southeast by south of Blanco, New Mexico.

CASE 9385: (Continued from June 22, 1988, Examiner Hearing)

Application of Blackwood & Nichols Co., Ltd. for salt water disposal, San Juan County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks authority to dispose of produced salt water into the Ojo Alamo or Kirtland formation in the perforated interval from approximately 2422 feet to 2531 feet in its Northeast Blanco Unit Well No. 206 located 790 feet from the South line and 1190 feet from the West line (Unit M) of Section 10, Township 31 North, Range 7 West. Said well is approximately 8 miles north-northeast of the Navajo Lake Dam.

CASE 9425: Application of Nearburg Producing Company for an unorthodox gas well location and simultaneous dedication, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for an unorthodox gas well location for its B & B Well No. 2 to be drilled 660 feet from the South and East lines (Unit P) of Section 22, Township 19 South, Range 25 East, Boyd-Morrow Gas Pool, the E/2 of said Section 22 to be simultaneously dedicated to said well and to the existing B & B Well No. 1 located at a standard gas well location 1980 feet from the North and East lines (Unit G) of said Section 22. Said unit is located approximately 4.5 miles northwest of north of Seven Rivers, New Mexico.

CASE 9426: Application of Nearburg Producing Company for compulsory pooling and an unorthodox gas well location, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests in the Pennsylvanian formations underlying the N/2 of Section 26, Township 19 South, Range 25 East, to form a standard 320-acre gas spacing and proration unit to be dedicated to a well to be drilled at an unorthodox gas well location 990 feet from the North and West lines (Unit D) in said Section 26. 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 located approximately 5 miles west of Lakewood, New Mexico.

CASE 9427: Application of Nearburg Producing Company for an unorthodox gas well location, and simultaneous dedication, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for an unorthodox gas well location for its Parino Well No. 2 to be drilled 1500 feet from the South and West lines (Unit K) of Section 23, Township 19 South, Range 25 East, Boyd-Morrow Gas Pool, the S/2 of said Section 23 to be simultaneously dedicated to said well and to the existing Parino Well No. 1 located at a previously approved unorthodox gas well location (R-7381) 1980 feet from the South and East lines (Unit I) of said Section 23. Said unit is located approximately 4 miles northwest by north of Seven Rivers, New Mexico.

CASE 9407: (Continued from June 22, 1988, Examiner Hearing)

Application of Nearburg Producing Company for an unorthodox gas well location, Eddy County. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for an unorthodox gas well location 2310 feet from the South line and 960 feet from the East line (Unit I) of Section 11, Township 22 South, Range 24 East, Undesignated McKittrick Hills-Morrow Gas Pool, the S/2 of said Section 11 to be dedicated to said well. This location is approximately 14.5 miles west of Carlsbad, New Mexico.

Dockets Nos. 23-88 and 24-88 are tentatively set for August 3 and 17, 1988. Applications for hearing must be filed at least 22 days in advance of hearing date.

DOCKET: EXAMINER HEARING - WEDNESDAY - JULY 20, 1988

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

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

CASE 9420: (Continued from July 6, 1988, Examiner Hearing)

In the matter of the hearing called by the Oil Conservation Division (OCD) on its own motion for pool creation and Special Pool Rules, San Juan, Rio Arriba, McKinley and Sandoval Counties, New Mexico. The OCD on the recommendation of the Fruitland Coalbed Methane Committee, seeks the creation of a new pool for the production of gas from the coalbed seams within the Fruitland formation underlying the following described area:

Township 19 North, Ranges 1 West through 6 West;
Township 20 North, Ranges 1 West through 8 West;
Township 21 North, Ranges 1 West through 9 West;
Township 22 North, Ranges 1 West through 11 West;
Township 23 North, Ranges 1 West through 14 West;
Township 24 North, Ranges 1 East through 16 West;
Township 25 North, Ranges 1 East through 16 West;
Township 26 North, Ranges 1 East through 16 West;
Township 27 North, Ranges 1 West through 16 West;
Township 28 North, Ranges 1 West through 16 West;
Township 29 North, Ranges 1 West through 15 West;
Township 30 North, Ranges 1 West through 15 West;
Township 31 North, Ranges 1 West through 15 West; and
Township 32 North, Ranges 1 West through 13 West.

Also to be considered is the promulgation of special rules, regulations and operating procedures for said pool including, but not limited to, provisions for 320-acre spacing units, designated well locations, limited well density, horizontal wellbore and deviated drilling procedures, venting and flaring rules, and gas well testing requirements.

CASE 9431: Application of Yates Petroleum Corporation for directional drilling and unorthodox gas well locations, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks authority to directionally drill its Eland "AFC" Federal Com. Well No. 1 from a surface location 330 feet from the South line and 1650 feet from the West line (Unit N) of Section 12, Township 20 South, Range 29 East, wherein the applicant proposes to deviate said well to within 100 feet of the following targeted locations (both of which are unorthodox):

1. In the Undesignated East Burton Flat-Strawn Gas Pool - 660 feet from the North and West lines of said Section 13; and,
2. In the Undesignated Getty-Morrow Gas Pool - 991 feet from the North line and 329 feet from the West line of said Section 13.

Both zones are to be dedicated to the W/2 of said Section 13 forming a standard 320-acre gas spacing and proration unit. Said location is approximately 3.75 miles north-northwest of the junction of U.S. Highway 62/180 and State Highway 31.

CASE 9413: (Continued from July 6, 1988, Examiner Hearing)

Application of Yates Petroleum Company for special pool rules, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks the promulgation of temporary special pool rules for the Avalon-Delaware Pool located in portions of Township 20 South, Ranges 27 and 28 East, including a provision to increase the gas-oil ratio limitation to 5,000 cubic feet of gas per barrel of oil. Said area is located approximately 9 miles north of Carlsbad, New Mexico.

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Application of Read & Stevens, Inc. for an unorthodox gas well location, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for an unorthodox gas well location 660 feet from the North and East lines (Unit A) of Section 19, Township 19 South, Range 29 East, Undesignated Turkey Track-Morrow Gas Pool or Undesignated West Parkway-Morrow Gas Pool, the E/2 of said Section 19 to be dedicated to said well forming a standard 320-acre gas spacing and proration unit for either pool. Said location is approximately 7.5 miles southeast by east of the old Illinois Camp.

CASE 9389: (Continued from July 6, 1988, Examiner Hearing)

Application of Robert N. Enfield for compulsory pooling and an unorthodox gas well location, Chaves County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests from the surface to the base of the Devonian formation underlying the NW/4 of Section 29, Township 7 South, Range 31 East, to form a standard 160-acre gas spacing and proration unit for any and all formations and/or pools developed on 160-acre spacing within said vertical limits or the W/2 of said Section 29 to form a standard 320-acre gas spacing and proration unit for any and all formations and/or pools developed on 320-acre spacing within said vertical limits, both aforementioned units to be dedicated to its E. McCombs Well No. 1 drilled at an unorthodox gas well location (for a 320-acre dedication) 1650 feet from the North line and 990 feet from the West line (Unit E) of said Section 29. 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 units are located approximately 11 miles south by west of Kenna, New Mexico.

CASE 9432: Application of Leonard Resource Corporation for an unorthodox gas well location, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval of an unorthodox gas well location 510 feet from the North line and 660 feet from the East line (Unit A) of Section 24, Township 26 South, Range 24 East, to test the Pennsylvanian formation, the N/2 of said Section 24 to be dedicated to the well. Said location is approximately 2.25 miles north of Mile Corner 81 located on the Texas/New Mexico stateline.

CASE 9433: Application of Santa Fe Energy Operating Partners, L. P. for compulsory pooling, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests from the surface to the base of the Bone Spring formation underlying the SW/4 SE/4 (Unit O) of Section 14, Township 18 South, Range 32 East, forming a standard statewide 40-acre oil spacing and proration unit, to be dedicated to a 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 unit is located approximately 8 miles south by east of Maljamar, New Mexico.

CASE 9434: Application of Inexco Oil Company, a wholly owned subsidiary of The Louisiana Land and Exploration Company, for compulsory pooling, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests from the surface to the base of the Shipp-Strawn Pool underlying the W/2 SE/4 of Section 35, Township 16 South, Range 37 East, to form a standard 80-acre spacing and proration unit for any and all formations and/or pools developed on 80-acre spacing within said vertical limits or the SW/4 SE/4 of said Section 35 to form a standard 40-acre spacing and proration unit for any and all formations and/or pools developed on 40-acre spacing within said vertical limits, both aforementioned units to be dedicated to a 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 8 miles southwest of the old Hobbs Army Air Corps Auxiliary Airfield No. 1.

CASE 8822: (Reopened) (Continued from June 22, 1988, Examiner Hearing)

In the matter of Case No. 8822 being reopened pursuant to the provisions of Division Order No. R-8188-A, which promulgated temporary special rules and regulations for the Northeast Ojito Gallup-Dakota Oil Pool in Rio Arriba County, New Mexico, including a provision for 160-acre spacing units. Operators in the subject pool may appear and show cause why the Northeast Ojito Gallup-Dakota Oil Pool should not be developed on standard statewide 40-acre proration units.

CASE 9415: (Continued from July 6, 1988, Examiner Hearing)

Application of Manzano Oil Corporation for compulsory pooling, 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 Undesignated Santo Nino-Bone Spring Pool underlying either the SW/4 SE/4 of Section 30, Township 18 South, Range 30 East, to form a standard statewide 40-acre oil spacing and proration unit within said vertical limits or the W/2 SE/4 of said Section 30 to form a standard 80-acre oil spacing and proration unit for any and all formations and/or pools within said vertical limits developed on 80-acre spacing, both aforementioned units 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 units are located 7.5 miles south by west of Loco Hills, New Mexico.