

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 9408: Application of J. R. Cone for determination of permanent allocation of downhole commingled production and for the amendment of Division Administrative Order DHC-473, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks to amend Administrative Order DHC-473, dated June 27, 1984, by determining the permanent allocation of production from the Blinebry, Tubb, and Drinkard Pools and for the adjustment of said production allocation retroactive to August 16, 1984 for its J. R. Cone Eubanks Well No. 2 located 1980 feet from the South line and 660 feet from the West line (Unit L) of Section 14, Township 21 South, Range 37 East. Said well is located approximately 3 miles north-northeast of Eunice, New Mexico.

CASE 9362: (Continued from May 25, 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 32 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 8834: (Reopened and Readvertised)

In the matter of Case No. 8834 being reopened pursuant to the provisions of Division Order No. R-8222, which promulgated temporary special pool rules and regulations for the Alston Ranch-Upper Pennsylvanian Pool in Lea County, New Mexico, including a provision for 80-acre spacing units. Operators in the subject pool may appear and show cause why the Alston Ranch-Upper Pennsylvanian Pool should not be developed on 40-acre proration units. The present horizontal extent of said pool consists of the W/2 of Section 25, Township 13 South, Range 34 East, which is located approximately 9 miles west by north of McDonald, New Mexico.

CASE 9409: 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 1650 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 9410: Application of Tipperary Oil & Gas Corporation for an unorthodox oil well location and directional drilling, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval to plug back its Monsanto "30" State Well No. 2, located 1830 feet from the South line and 660 feet from the East line (Unit I) of Section 30, Township 16 South, Range 37 East, to 8,230 feet and then commence drilling directionally to penetrate the top of the Undesignated Northeast Lovington-Pennsylvanian Pool at a true vertical depth of approximately 11,050 feet and within a 150-foot radius of an unorthodox subsurface location 1200 feet from the South line and 660 feet from the East line of Section 30, Township 16 South, Range 37 East, the E/2 SE/4 of said Section 30 to be dedicated to the well forming a standard 80-acre oil spacing and proration unit for said pool. Said well is approximately 5.5 miles southeast of Lovington, New Mexico.

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CASE 9392: (Continued from May 25, 1988, Examiner Hearing)

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 9376: (Continued and Readvertised from May 25, 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 9403: Application of Nearburg Producing Company for an unorthodox oil well location, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for an unorthodox oil well location 400 feet from the South and East lines (Unit P) of Section 24, Township 16 South, Range 36 East, Northeast Lovington-Pennsylvanian Pool, the S/2 SE/4 of said Section 24 to be dedicated to said well. This location is approximately 4 miles southeast of Lovington, New Mexico.

CASE 9404: Application of Nearburg Producing Company for a non-standard oil proration unit and an unorthodox oil well location, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for an unorthodox oil well location 330 feet from the North and West lines (Unit D) of Section 30, Township 16 South, Range 37 East, Undesignated Northeast Lovington-Pennsylvanian Pool, said well to be dedicated to Lots 1 and 2 of said Section 30 thereby forming a 100.49-acre non-standard oil proration and spacing unit for said pool. Said location is approximately 4.3 miles southeast of Lovington, New Mexico.

CASE 9405: Application of Nearburg Producing Company for an unorthodox gas well location, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for an unorthodox gas well location 1200 feet from the South line and 750 feet from the West line (Unit M) of Section 26, Township 19 South, Range 25 East, Undesignated Cemetery-Morrow Gas Pool, the S/2 of said Section 26 to be dedicated to the well. Said location is approximately 4.8 miles west by south of Lakewood, New Mexico.

CASE 9406: Application of Nearburg Producing Company 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 South line and 1650 feet from the West line (Unit N) of Section 1, Township 22 South, Range 24 East, Undesignated McKittrick Hills-Morrow Gas Pool, the S/2 of said Section 1 to be dedicated to said well. This location is approximately 13 miles west of Carlsbad, New Mexico.

CASE 9407: Application of Nearburg Producing Company for an unorthodox gas well location, Eddy County, New Mexico. 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.

CASE 9373: (Continued and Readvertised from May 25, 1988, Examiner Hearing)

Application of Texaco Producing Inc. for salt water disposal, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks authority to dispose of produced salt water into the Brushy Draw-Delaware Pool in the perforated interval from approximately 5417 feet to 6170 feet in its Salt Mountain "36" State Well No. 1 located 660 feet from the North and West lines (Unit D) of Section 36, Township 26 South, Range 29 East, which is located approximately 2.25 miles east by north of where the Pecos River crosses the Texas/New Mexico Stateline.

CASE 9385: (Continued from May 25, 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 9350: (Continued from May 25, 1988, Examiner Hearing)

Application of Amerind Oil Company for a non-standard oil proration unit, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for an 80-acre non-standard oil proration unit for production from the Strawn and Atoka formations comprising the SE/4 NE/4 and NE/4 SE/4 of Section 2, Township 17 South, Range 37 East, Undesignated Shipp-Strawn Pool, Undesignated Humble City-Strawn Pool, and Undesignated Humble City-Atoka Pool, said unit to be dedicated to a well to be drilled at a standard oil well location thereon. Said unit is located approximately 4.5 miles north of Humble City, New Mexico.



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(Case 9392)

Dear Mr. Foran:

After reviewing the notice of the forced pool hearing on the Merchant State 1-30 well in S2 of Section 30, T21S, R35E of Lea County we have decided the following:

(a) We will lease our 6.47 acre interest for three years with a 1/5 royalty for \$1,000.00. This is just slightly higher than the price you paid the State for similar property in February of 1987.

(b) We will sell you our interest for \$5,000.00.

The Bank is prohibited by law and policy from participating in the drilling of the well. We are an active oil and gas lender and do cooperate in the development of oil and gas properties in New Mexico. We would ask simply that we receive a reasonable price for our property. We would much rather lease or sell under these terms than oppose the well in the upcoming hearing.

Please let us know your decision as soon as possible.

Sincerely,

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Vice President

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cc: Mr. William J. LeMay ✓
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