STATE OF NEW MEXICO ENERGY AND MINERALS DEPARTMENT OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

IN THE MATTER OF THE HEARING CALLED BY THE OIL CONSERVATION DIVISON ON ITS OWN MOTION FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONSIDERING THE RESCISSION OF ORDER NO. R-2788, CHAVES COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

> CASE NO. 8240 Order No. R-7597

ORDER OF THE DIVISION

BY THE DIVISION:

This cause came on for hearing at 8 a.m. on July 11, 1984, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner Richard L. Stamets.

NOW, on this <u>23rd</u> day of July, 1984, the Division Director, having considered the testimony, the record, and the recommendations of the Examiner, and being fully advised in the premises,

FINDS:

(1) That due public notice having been given as required by law, the Division has jurisdiction of this cause and the subject matter thereof.

(2) That on October 21, 1964, the Division entered its Order No. R-2788.

(3) That said order limited disposal of waters produced in conjunction with the production of oil and gas within Townships 6 and 7 South, Range 26 East, NMPM, Chaves County, New Mexico.

(4) That on May 1, 1967, Division Order No. R-3221 was entered controlling the disposal of such waters produced in all of Chaves, Eddy, and Lea Counties, New Mexico.

(5) That the purpose of both orders is to protect designated fresh waters from the potentially harmful effects of such disposal.

(6) That the terms and conditions of said orders differ.

(7) That Division Order No. R-2788 should be rescinded in order to provide consistent protection for fresh waters in all of Chaves County.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

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(1) That effective at 7:00 o'clock a.m. on August 1, 1984, Division Order No. R-2788 is hereby rescinded.

(2) That jurisdiction of this cause is retained for the entry of such further orders as the Division may deem necessary.

DONE at Santa Fe, New Mexico, on the day and year hereinabove designated.



STATE OF NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION JOE D. RAMEY Director