

BEFORE THE OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION  
OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO

IN THE MATTER OF THE HEARING  
CALLED BY THE OIL CONSERVATION  
COMMISSION OF NEW MEXICO FOR  
THE PURPOSE OF CONSIDERING:

CASE No. 3812  
Order No. R-3460

APPLICATION OF TENNECO OIL COMPANY  
FOR APPROVAL OF THE SOUTHWEST HENSHAW  
(PREMIER) UNIT AGREEMENT, EDDY COUNTY,  
NEW MEXICO.

ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

BY THE COMMISSION:

This cause came on for hearing at 9 a.m. on July 24, 1968,  
at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner Daniel S. Nutter.

NOW, on this 1st day of August, 1968, the Commission, a  
quorum being present, 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 Commission has jurisdiction of this cause and the subject  
matter thereof.

(2) That the applicant, Tenneco Oil Company, seeks approval  
of the Southwest Henshaw (Premier) Unit Agreement comprising  
1720.00 acres, more or less, of Federal lands described as follows:

EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO  
TOWNSHIP 16 SOUTH, RANGE 30 EAST, NMPM  
Section 7: SE/4 and E/2 SW/4  
Section 8: S/2  
Section 17: N/2, SW/4, and NW/4 SE/4  
Section 18: E/2 and E/2 W/2  
Section 19: N/2 NE/4 and NE/4 NW/4  
Section 20: NW/4 NW/4

(3) That approval of the proposed unit agreement should  
promote the prevention of waste and the protection of correlative  
rights within the unit area.

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**IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:**

(1) That the Southwest Henshaw (Premier) Unit Agreement is hereby approved.

(2) That the plan contained in said unit agreement for the development and operation of the unit area is hereby approved in principle as a proper conservation measure; provided, however, that notwithstanding any of the provisions contained in said unit agreement, this approval shall not be considered as waiving or relinquishing, in any manner, any right, duty, or obligation which is now, or may hereafter be, vested in the Commission to supervise and control operations for the exploration and development of any lands committed to the unit and production of oil or gas therefrom.

(3) That the unit operator shall file with the Commission an executed original or executed counterpart of the unit agreement within 30 days after the effective date thereof; that in the event of subsequent joinder by any party or expansion or contraction of the unit area, the unit operator shall file with the Commission within 30 days thereafter counterparts of the unit agreement reflecting the subscription of those interests having joined or ratified.

(4) That this order shall become effective upon the approval of said unit agreement by the Director of the United States Geological Survey; that this order shall terminate ipso facto upon the termination of said unit agreement; and that the last unit operator shall notify the Commission immediately in writing of such termination.

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

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



STATE OF NEW MEXICO  
OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

DAVID F. CARGO, Chairman

*Guyton B. Hays*  
GUYTON B. HAYS, Member

*A. L. Porter, Jr.*  
A. L. PORTER, Jr. Member & Secretary

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