

DOCKET: EXAMINER HEARING - WEDNESDAY - MAY 9, 1973

9 A.M. - OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION CONFERENCE ROOM
STATE LAND OFFICE BUILDING - SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

The following cases will be heard before Daniel S. Nutter, Examiner, or Elvis A. Utz, Alternate Examiner:

- ALLOWABLE: (1) Consideration of the allowable production of gas for June, 1973, from seventeen prorated pools in Lea, Eddy, Roosevelt and Chaves Counties, New Mexico;
- (2) Consideration of the allowable production of gas from nine prorated pools in San Juan, Rio Arriba, and Sandoval Counties, New Mexico, for June, 1973.

CASE 4943: (Continued from the April 11, 1973 Examiner Hearing)

Application of M. W. Staples for an unorthodox oil well location, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks authority to produce oil from his Vanderverter Well No. 2 located 1310 feet from the North line and 1330 feet from the East line of Section 20, Township 18 South, Range 28 East, Artesia Pool, Eddy County, New Mexico. Said well was drilled as an injection well at said location pursuant to authority granted by Order No. R-3341.

CASE 4928: (Continued from the April 11, 1973, Examiner Hearing)

Application of Union Oil Company of California for compulsory pooling, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests in the Morrow formation underlying all of Section 11, Township 21 South, Range 25 East, Catclaw Draw-Morrow Gas Pool, Eddy County, New Mexico, to be dedicated to the Atlantic Richfield Oil Company Pure-Federal Well No. 11 located in Unit K of said Section 11. Applicant further seeks a provision for the payment of proper costs to be borne by applicant for such well and the related well equipment, a provision for allocation of actual operating costs, and the establishment of charges for supervision of such well and the designation of an operator thereof; and for such other relief as proper. Also to be considered will be the risk involved in drilling the subject well.

CASE 4932: (Continued from the April 11, 1973, Examiner Hearing)

Application of Atlantic Richfield Company for a non-standard proration unit, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for a 340.94-acre non-standard gas proration unit comprising the W/2 of Section 11, Township 21 South, Range 25 East, Catclaw Draw-Morrow Gas Pool, Eddy County, New Mexico, to be dedicated to its Pure Federal Well No. 1 located in Unit K of said Section 11.

- CASE 4959: Application of Tamarack Petroleum Company, Inc. for a unit agreement, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval of the Bronco Wolfcamp Unit Area, comprising 762 acres, more or less, of fee lands in Section 35, Township 12 South, and Section 2, Township 13 South, both Range 38 East, Lea County, New Mexico.
- CASE 4960: Application of Tamarack Petroleum Company, Inc. for a waterflood project, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks authority to institute a waterflood project by the injection of water into the Wolfcamp formation through three wells in its Bronco Wolfcamp Unit Area, Bronco-Wolfcamp Pool, Lea County, New Mexico.
- CASE 4961: Application of Amoco Production Company for down-hole commingling, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks authority to commingle production from the Blinebry and Drinkard Oil Pools and the Tubb Gas Pool in the well-bore in its Southland Royalty "A" Well No. 4 located in Unit X of Section 4, Township 21 South, Range 37 East, Lea County, New Mexico.
- CASE 4962: Application of Amoco Production Company for special pool rules, Roosevelt County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks the promulgation of special pool rules for the Peterson-Pennsylvanian Pool, Roosevelt County, New Mexico, including a provision for classification of oil wells and gas wells, 160-acre spacing for oil wells, 320-acre spacing for gas wells, and a limiting gas-oil ratio of 4,000 to one.
- CASE 4963: Application of Texaco Inc. for a unit agreement, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval of the North Benson Queen Unit Area comprising 1800 acres, more or less, of Federal and State lands in Township 18 South, Range 30 East, Eddy County, New Mexico.
- CASE 4964: Application of Texaco Inc. for a waterflood project, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks authority to institute a waterflood project in its North Benson Queen Area, North Benson-Queen Pool, Eddy County, New Mexico, by the injection of water into the Queen formation through 20 wells in said unit area.
- CASE 4965: Application of Read & Stevens, Inc. for a dual completion, contraction of vertical limits, creation of a new pool and special pool rules, Chaves County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks the contraction of the vertical limits of the Buffalo Valley-Pennsylvanian Pool, Chaves County, New Mexico, to exclude the producing interval from 8548 feet to 8578 feet as found in its Langley Com Well No. 1 located in Unit C of Section 13, Township 15 South, Range 27 East, and to redesignate said pool as the Buffalo Valley Lower-Pennsylvanian Gas Pool, and for the creation of a new pool for the

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above-described producing interval to be designated Buffalo Valley Upper-Pennsylvanian Gas Pool. Applicant also seeks the adoption of special rules for said proposed new pool similar to the pool rules for the presently existing pool; applicant further seeks approval for the dual completion of the above-described well to produce from both of the aforesaid two pools.

CASE 4966: Application of Read & Stevens, Inc. for compulsory pooling, Chaves County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests underlying the N/2 of Section 36, Township 12 South, Range 30 East, Chaves County, New Mexico, to be dedicated to a well to be drilled to the Queen formation in Unit B of said Section 36, in the Southeast Chaves Queen Gas Area. Also to be considered will be the cost of drilling and completing said well and the allocation of such costs as well as actual operating costs and charges for supervision. Also to be considered is the designation of applicant as operator of the well and a 200 percent charge for risk involved in drilling said well.

CASE 4967: Application of John M. Etcheverry for dissolution of a standard proration unit and the creation of two non-standard proration units, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks the dissolution of the standard 160-acre proration unit comprising the SW/4 of Section 29, Township 14 South, Range 34 East, West Tres Papalotes-Pennsylvanian Pool, Lea County, New Mexico, dedicated to the Mark Production Company Etcheverry Well No. 1 located in Unit L of said Section 29, and the creation of two non-standard 80-acre proration units, one comprising the N/2 and the other the S/2 of the SW/4 of said Section 29; the first unit would be dedicated to the aforesaid Etcheverry Well No. 1 and the second unit would be dedicated to a well proposed to be drilled in Unit P of said Section 29.

CASE 4968: Application of Benjamin K. Horton for the amendment of Order No. R-1814, San Juan County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks the amendment of Order No. R-1814 to provide for the dissolution of the 344.28-acre non-standard unit approved by paragraph 4 of said order which unit comprises all of partial Section 11 plus Lot 4 and the SW/4 SW/4 of partial Section 12, Township 28 North, Range 13 West, Basin-Dakota Pool, San Juan County, New Mexico. Applicant proposes the creation of a 275.36-acre non-standard unit comprising all of the aforesaid partial Section 11 only to be dedicated to his Federal Well No. 2 located 1190 feet from the South line and 2210 feet from the East line of said Section 11.

CASE 4946: (Continued and Readvertised)

Application of Union Texas Petroleum for special pool rules, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks

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the promulgation of special pool rules for the Crosby-Fusselman Pool, Lea County, New Mexico, including a provision for classification of oil wells and gas wells, 320-acre spacing for all wells, and a limiting gas-oil ratio of 5000 to one. (This case will be continued to the May 23rd Examiner Hearing.)

CASE 4885: (Continued and Readvertised)

In the matter of the hearing called by the Oil Conservation Commission on its own motion to permit John Lemley and Juanita Franks and Aetna Casualty and Surety Company and all other interested parties to appear and show cause why the Lemley and Franks Greathouse Well No. 1, located in Unit F of Section 10, Township 23 North, Range 1 West, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico, should not be plugged and abandoned in accordance with a Commission-approved plugging program.