

Dockets Nos. 35-78 and 36-78 are tentatively set for hearing on November 8 and 21, 1978. Applications for hearing must be filed at least 22 days in advance of hearing date.

DOCKET: EXAMINER HEARING - WEDNESDAY - OCTOBER 25, 1978

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

The following cases will be heard before Daniel S. Nutter, Examiner, or Richard L. Stamets, Alternate Examiner:

CASE 6290: (Continued from September 13, 1978, Examiner Hearing)

In the matter of the hearing called by the Oil Conservation Division on its own motion to permit R. A. Crane, Jr., Great American Insurance Co., and all other interested parties to appear and show cause why the Donella Well No. 1 located in Unit P of Section 3, Township 29 North, Range 15 West, San Juan County, New Mexico, should not be plugged and abandoned in accordance with a Division-approved plugging program.

CASE 6339: (Continued from October 11, 1978, Examiner Hearing)

Application of Amoco Production Company for compulsory pooling, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests in the Pennsylvanian formation underlying the S/2 of Section 22, Township 23 South, Range 28 East, Eddy County, New Mexico, 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. Also to be considered will be the designation of applicant as operator of the well and a charge for risk involved in drilling said well.

CASE 6355: Application of Amoco Production Company for two unorthodox well locations, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval of the unorthodox locations of its South Mattix Unit Well No. 32 located 1535 feet from the North line and 330 feet from the East line and its South Mattix Unit Well No. 34 located 1650 feet from the North line and 2310 feet from the West line, both in Section 22, Township 24 South, Range 37 East, Fowler-Upper Yesso Pool, Lea County, New Mexico, the S/2 NE/4 and the E/2 NW/4 of Section 22 to be dedicated, respectively, to the wells.

CASE 6356: Application of Amoco Production Company for salt water disposal, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks authority to dispose of produced salt water into the Abo formation through the perforated interval from 8391 feet to 9100 feet in its State "E" Tract 18 Well No. 21 located in Unit B of Section 2, Township 17 South, Range 36 East, Lovington-Abo Pool, Lea County, New Mexico.

CASE 6357: Application of Enserch Exploration, Inc., for pool creation and special pool rules, Roosevelt County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order creating a new oil pool in the Pennsylvanian formation for its Lambirth Well No. 4 located in Unit O of Section 31, Township 5 South, Range 33 East, Roosevelt County, New Mexico, and for promulgation of special pool rules, including provision for 80-acre spacing and special well location requirements.

CASE 6358: Application of Jake L. Hamon for salt water disposal, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks authority to dispose of produced salt water into the Devonian formation through the perforated interval from 12,997 feet to 13,036 feet in his State K-33 Well No. 2 located in Unit N of Section 30, Township 16 South, Range 36 East, East Shoe Bar-Devonian Pool, Lea County, New Mexico.

CASE 6359: Application of Getty Oil Company for downhole commingling, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for the downhole commingling of Gallup and Dakota production in the wellbore of its Jicarilla "C" Well No. 27 located in Unit E of Section 33, Township 25 North, Range 5 West. Applicant further seeks provision for administrative approval for downhole commingling of the Gallup and Dakota formations in others of its wells on its Jicarilla "B" and Jicarilla "C" leases in Sections 5 and 6, Township 24 North, Range 5 West, and Sections 21, 22, 27, 28 and 31 thru 34, Township 25 North, Range 5 West, all in Rio Arriba County, New Mexico.

CASE 6368: Application of Getty Oil Company for the amendment of Order No. R-5388, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks the amendment of Order No. R-5388 to provide an administrative procedure to permit the downhole commingling of Pictured Cliffs and Chacra production in wells on its Jicarilla "B" and "C" Leases in Sections 21, 22, 27, 28, and 31 thru 34, Township 25 North, Range 5 West, and Sections 5 and 6, Township 24 North, Range 5 West, all in Rio Arriba County, New Mexico.

CASE 6360: Application of Continental Oil Company for a non-standard gas proration unit and simultaneous dedication, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval of a 228-acre non-standard gas proration unit comprising the SW/4 and S/2 SE/4 of Section 18, Township 21 South, Range 36 East, Eumont Gas Pool, Lea County, New Mexico, to be simultaneously dedicated to applicant's Lockhart A-18 Wells Nos. 3 and 4, located in Units K and M, respectively, of said Section 18.

- CASE 6361: Application of Continental Oil Company for special pool rules, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks the promulgation of special pool rules for the Buffalo-Pennsylvanian Gas Pool, Lea County, New Mexico, to provide for 320-acre spacing rather than 160 acres. In the absence of objection, this pool will be placed on the standard 320-acre spacing for Wolfcamp and Pennsylvanian gas pools rather than the present 160-acre spacing.
- CASE 6362: Application of Continental Oil Company for an unorthodox gas well location and a non-standard proration unit, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval of a 294.9-acre non-standard gas proration unit comprising the S/2 of partial Section 19, Township 17 South, Range 29 East, Eddy County, New Mexico, to be dedicated to a well to be drilled 660 feet from the South line and 3300 feet from the East line of said Section 19 to test the Morrow formation.
- CASE 6363: Application of Phoenix Resources Company for an unorthodox gas well location, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for the unorthodox location of a well to be drilled 660 feet from the North and West lines of Section 16, Township 19 South, Range 21 East, Eddy County, New Mexico, to be drilled to the Mississippian formation, the W/2 of said Section 16 to be dedicated to the well.
- CASE 6364: Application of Adobe Oil 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 Ellenburger formation underlying the NW/4 SE/4 of Section 23, Township 20 South, Range 38 East, Lea County, New Mexico, to be dedicated to a proposed oil well to be drilled at a standard location thereon. Applicant seeks the pooling of the SE/4 of said Section 23 in the event said drilling results in a gas well. 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. Also to be considered will be the designation of applicant as operator of the well and a charge for risk involved in drilling said well.
- CASE 6365: Application of Michael P. Grace II for compulsory pooling, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests in the Wolfcamp and Pennsylvanian formations underlying the W/2 of Section 25, Township 21 South, Range 26 East, Burton Flat Field, Eddy County, New Mexico, 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. Also to be considered will be the designation of applicant as operator of the well and a charge for risk involved in drilling said well.
- CASE 6366: Application of Phillips Petroleum Company for statutory unitization, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order unitizing, for the purpose of a pressure maintenance project, all mineral interests in the East Vacuum Grayburg-San Andres Unit encompassing 7,025 acres, more or less, underlying all or portions of the following lands in Lea County, New Mexico: Section 24, Township 17 South, Range 34 East; Sections 18 thru 29 and 31 thru 35, Township 17 South, Range 35 East; and Sections 4 and 5, Township 18 South, Range 35 East.
- The unitized interval would be the Grayburg-San Andres Formation between the depths of 4,050 feet and 5,050 feet in Exxon's NM State "K" Well No. 19, located in Unit P of Section 28, Township 17 South, Range 35 East.
- Among the matters to be considered at the hearing will be the necessity of unit operations; the designation of a unit operator; the determination of the horizontal and vertical limits of the unit area; the determination of a fair, reasonable, and equitable allocation of production and costs of production, including capital investment, to each of the various tracts in the unit area; the determination of credits and charges to be made among the various owners in the unit area for their investment in wells and equipment; and such other matters as may be necessary and appropriate for carrying on efficient unit operations, including, but not necessarily limited to, unit voting procedures, selection, removal, or substitution of unit operator, and time of commencement and termination of unit operations.
- CASE 6367: Application of Phillips Petroleum Corporation for a pressure maintenance project, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks authority to institute a pressure maintenance project on its East Vacuum Grayburg-San Andres Unit, Lea County, New Mexico, by the injection of water into the Grayburg-San Andres formation; and the establishment of an administrative procedure for approval of injection and producing wells at unorthodox locations.