## Gulf Oil Company-U.S.

HOBBS PRODUCTION AREA

C. D. Borland AREA PRODUCTION MANAGER January 28, 1970

P. O. Box 670 Hobbs, New Mexico 88240

Re: Application of Gulf Oil Corporation for an Exemption to the Requirements of Rule 4 of the Special Rules and Regulations for the Hobbs Drinkard Pool, Lea County, New Mexico

Oil Conservation Commission State of New Mexico P. O. Box 2088 Santa Fe, New Mexico 87501

Attention: Mr. A. L. Porter, Jr.

Dear Sir:

Gulf Oil Corporation respectfully requests your approval to drill a development well in the Hobbs Drinkard Pool at an unorthodox location. It is proposed to drill W. D. Grimes (NCT-B) Well No. 7, 450' from the north line and 2160' from the east line of Section 33, Township 18 South, Range 38 East, Lea County, New Mexico as shown on the attached plat. In support of this application, the following facts are submitted:

1. The temporary operating rules for the Hobbs Drinkard Pool were established by Order No. R-3811 in Case No. 4173 on July 23, 1969.

2. Applicant believes the drilling of this well represents reasonable development of the Hobbs Drinkard Pool.

3. As shown by the attached plat, the unorthodox location is necessitated by the proximity of homes, City streets, and plugged and abandoned well, W. D. Grimes (NCT-B) No. 5.

4. This application is in the interest of conservation and the prevention of waste.

5. Waivers of objection to this application by the offset operators, Continental Oil Company, Pan American Petroleum Corporation and Shell Oil Company are attached.\*

Respectfully submitted, C. D. BORLAND

Area Production Manager

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Att'd. Oil Conservation Commission, Hobbs, New Mexico

- M. I. Taylor, Roswell, New Mexico
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\*Waiver from Shell Oil Company mailed direct to Santa Fe