STATE OF NEW MEXICO ENERGY, MINERALS AND NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

IN THE MATTER OF THE HEARING CALLED BY THE OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONSIDERING:

> CASE NO. 11982 ORDER NO. R-11046

APPLICATION OF POGO PRODUCING COMPANY FOR A PRESSURE MAINTENANCE PROJECT AND QUALIFICATION FOR THE RECOVERED OIL TAX CREDIT PURSUANT TO THE "NEW MEXICO ENHANCED OIL RECOVERY ACT," LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

ORDER OF THE DIVISION

BY THE DIVISION:

This case came on for hearing at 8:15 a.m. on June 11, 1998 at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner Michael E. Stogner.

NOW, on this <u>2nd</u> day of September, 1998, the Division Director, having considered the testimony, the record and the recommendations of the Examiner,

FINDS THAT:

(1) Due public notice has been given and the Division has jurisdiction of this case and its subject matter.

(2) The applicant, Pogo Producing Company ("Pogo"), is the operator of two Federai oil and gas leases in Sections 22, 26, and 27, all in Township 22 South, Range 32 East, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico: (a) the Red Tank "26" Federai Lease (U. S. Government Lease No. NM-86149), covering the W/2 of Section 26; and (b) the Prize Federai Lease (U. S. Government Lease No. NM-81272), covering the E/2 of Section 22 and the E/2 of Section 27. Pogo seeks authority to institute a cooperative leasehold pressure maintenance project by the injection of produced water into the Cherry Canyon and Brushy Canyon Members of the Delaware Mountain Group within the West Red Tank-Delaware Pool through the perforated interval from approximately 6,832 feet to 8,388 feet in its existing Prize Federal Well No. 4 (API No. 30-025-32436), located 1880 feet from the North line and 760 feet from the East line (Unit H) of Section 27.