# COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCES OIL AND GAS DIVISION

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF FELMONT OIL CORPORATION TO EXTEND THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF SPACING ORDER DOCKET NO. 10 FOR THE UNDRILLED UNITS TO MARCH 20, 1980. SUCH UNITS IN THE PINETON ORISKANY GAS POOL, PINE AND GREEN TOWNSHIPS, INDIANA COUNTY, AND BARR AND SUSQUEHANNA TOWNSHIPS, CAMBRIA COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA

SPACING ORDER DOCKET NO. 10 PETITION (SPACING ORDER MODIFICATION DOCKET NO. 10-A)

## SPACING ORDER MODIFICATION (SPACING ORDER DOCKET NO. 10-A)

#### HISTORY OF THE CASE

- 1. A petition dated October 30, 1974 was presented to the Oil and Gas Conservation Advisory Committee at their meeting on November 6, 1974 by Felmont Oil Corporation requesting that Spacing Order No. 10 be amended by extending the time for drilling undrilled units for an additional five (5) years from March 20, 1975.
- 2. The Oil and Gas Conservation Advisory Committee held a discussion on the above petition during their November 6, 1974 meeting.

#### QUESTIONS AT ISSUE

- 1. Is a modification of Spacing Order No. 10 necessary and reasonable under the circumstances?
- 2. If a modification of Spacing Order No. 10 is necessary and reasonable, what is the length of extension which would be appropriate?

#### FINDINGS OF FACT

- 1. It appears that there are thirteen (13) undrilled units in Spacing Order
  No. 10 which would be subject to the proposed extension of five (5) years.
- 2. It appears that production from those units drilled under Spacing Order
  No. 10 commenced about May 2, 1974 due to the time required to construct
  a gathering system. This short period of production make it impossible
  to properly evaluate these wells at this time. This evaluation is necessary
  to determine which others to drill.
- 3. It is common knowledge at present that the availability of pipe needed for the drilling of additional wells is uncertain.

#### CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

- 1. The Division of Oil and Gas, Department of Environmental Resources has been properly petitioned for an extension of drilling time for undrilled units in Spacing Order Docket No. 10.
- 2. An extension of time to drill the undrilled units of the Pineton Oriskany Pool appears to be necessary to continue this orderly development of the said gas pool.
- 3. Five (5) years appears to be an unreasonable long extension of drilling time as an undrilled unit could be held inactive for a period as long as ten years.

#### ORDER

The Division of Oil and Gas, Department of Environmental Resources hereby order that Spacing Order No. 10 be modified by extending the time for

drilling undrilled units for an additional two (2) years from March 20, 1975. Said modified Spacing Order is to be designated as Spacing Order Docket No. 10-A.

By the Department of Environmental Resources Division of Oil and Gas

Bruce E. Ziegler Chief

Dated December 18, 1974

I hereby certify that this is a true and correct copy of the original Order on file with the Division of Oil and Gas, Room 1205, Kossman Building, 100 Forbes Avenue, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

Bruce E. Ziegler, Chief Division of Oil and Gas

STATE OF PENNSYLVANIA	
COUNTY OF ALLEXHENY	,

### ACKNOWLEDGMENT

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appeared _	Bruce E.	Ziegler o	f the Sta	te of Pe	ennsylvani	<u>ia</u>
known to r	me to be ti	he person descri	bed in th	e foregoir	ng instrum	ment, and
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for the p	urposes th	erein contained.				
	In witnes	s whereof, I her	eunto set	, my hand a	and offic	ial seal.

EURBARA L. CERASO. Notary Public Pittsburgh, Aliecheny County, Pa. My Commission Expires February 3, 1976

COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA, DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCES

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF FELMONT OIL CORPORATION TO EXTEND THE TIME FOR DRILLING UNDRILLED UNITS UNDER SPACING ORDER NO. 10 TO MARCH 20, 1980. SUCH UNITS ARE LOCATED IN THE PINETON ORISKANY GAS POOL, PINE AND GREEN TOWNSHIPS, INDIANA COUNTY, AND BARR AND SUSQUEHANNA TOWNSHIPS, CAMBRIA COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA.

Notice is hereby given that pursuant to the provisions of the Act of July 25, 1961 (P.L. 825), and the Act of December 3, 1970 (P.L. 834), the Department of Environmental Resources, Division of Oil and Gas, has issued a modification of Spacing Order No. 10, listed as Docket No. 10-A, extending the time for drilling undrilled units to March 20, 1977.

A copy of the Order may be inspected at the Division of Oil and Gas, Room 1205, Kossman Building, 100 Forbes Avenue, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, between 8:00 A.M. and 4:00 P.M. Monday through Friday. Copies of the Order are also recorded in the Indiana County Recorders Office in Deed Book 684 at page 442 and in the Cambria County Recorders Office in Deed Book 981 at page 240.

Any person aggrieved by the issuance of this Order may appeal to the Environmental Hearing Board, First Floor Annex, Blackstone Building, 112 Market Street, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania 17101 (717-787-3483) within 30 days of first publication of this notice. Copies of the appeal form and regulations governing practice and procedure before the Board may be obtained from the Board.

Bruce E. Ziegler, Chief Oil and Gas Division

Dated: December 18, 1974