

BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL, GAS AND MINING
DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES
IN AND FOR THE STATE OF UTAH

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLI-)	
CATION OF BELCO PETROLEUM)	
CORPORATION FOR AN ORDER)	
ESTABLISHING 160-ACRE)	ORDER
DRILLING AND SPACING UNITS)	
FOR UINTA FORMATION UNDER)	Cause No. 191-3
LANDS IN THE BRENNAN BOTTOM)	
AREA, UINTAH COUNTY, UTAH.)	

This cause was heard before the Board of Oil, Gas and Mining pursuant to due and proper application and notice at the Board's regular meeting on August 27, 1981, in the conference room of the Utah Division of Wildlife Resources, 1596 West North Temple, Salt Lake City, Utah. The following Board Members (constituting a quorum of the Board) were present and participated in the hearing:

Herm Olson, Presiding
Charles R. Henderson
Edward T. Beck
Margaret Bird
E. Steele McIntyre

Also present and participating in the hearing were:

Cleon B. Feight, Director
Michael Minder, Engineer

The Applicant was represented by Robert G. Pruitt, Jr., who advised the Board that the original application and the notice sent out by the Board erroneously referred to "320-acre" spacing, whereas it should have referred to "160-acre" spacing. The Applicant and the Board agreed to proceed with the testimony and evidence, with any Order resulting to be contingent upon response to an Order to Show Cause being sent to all parties requiring notice, giving opportunity to object to the Board's ruling.

Correspondence from Getty Oil Company and Jerry Chambers Oil Co., concurring in the 320-acre spacing application, was read into the proceedings of the hearing.

Based upon the testimony and evidence presented by the applicant, and advice from the Division staff, the Board makes and enters the following Findings of Fact and Order:

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. Due and proper notice was given to all interested parties, and the Board has jurisdiction to hear this matter and enter the Order set forth herein.

2. The following lands are underlain by the Uinta formation comprising a gas reservoir which can be efficiently produced from wells which will effectively drain 160 acres:

Township 7 South, Range 20 East, SLM

Section 14: W $\frac{1}{2}$
Section 15: All
Section 16: All
Section 17: E $\frac{1}{2}$

3. Since Belco's Gulf Federal No. 1-15 well in the SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 15 contained no oil shows in the Green River formation, the Order in Cause No. 191-1 establishing 80-acre spacing units for the Green River formation in the N $\frac{1}{2}$ of Section 15, Township 7 South, Range 20 East, should be vacated.

Pursuant to the foregoing Findings of Fact, the Board hereby makes the following

ORDER

1. Drilling and spacing units for production of gas from the Uinta formation shall be comprised of each quarter section, containing 160 acres each, for the following lands:

Township 7 South, Range 20 East, SLM

Section 14: W½
Section 15: All
Section 16: All
Section 17: E½

with the permitted well location for each unit to be within each said quarter section so long as the completion zone is not closer than 500 feet from the boundary of said spacing unit.

2. The Order entered by this Board on February 26, 1981, in Cause No. 191-1 is hereby vacated.

3. This Order shall become effective on September 25, 1981, in the absence of objection or other response on or before September 24, 1981, to the Order to Show Cause served by the Board upon all parties required to be notified of the original application.

4. The Board retains continuing jurisdiction over all matters covered by this Order and over all parties affected thereby, and the Board may permit exception locations or variances by administrative action before the Director without the necessity of a further hearing before the Board.

Entered this 27th day of August, 1981.

BOARD OF OIL, GAS AND MINING

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