

THE APPLICATION OF EXXON MOBIL CORPORATION TO BALANCE THE EVETTS (PENNSYLVANIAN) FIELD, WINKLER AND LOVING COUNTIES, TEXAS

Heard by: Donna K. Chandler, Technical Examiner

Hearing Date: October 31, 2008

Appearances:

Representing:

Tim George
William T. Duncan, Jr.

Exxon Mobil Corporation

EXAMINER'S REPORT AND RECOMMENDATION

STATEMENT OF THE CASE

Exxon Mobil Corporation requests that the Evetts (Pennsylvanian) Field be balanced. This application was unopposed and the examiner recommends approval.

DISCUSSION OF THE EVIDENCE

The Evetts (Pennsylvanian) Field was discovered in 1974 at a depth of approximately 15,475 feet. The field is a non-associated prorated gas field which operates under rules providing for 1,867'-3,735' well spacing, 640 acre density and allocation based on 100% acreage. The field has been balanced four times since 1996, the last in January, 2007.

There are two operators in the field with 6 wells on the October 2008 proration schedule. D. K. Boyd Oil and Gas has one inactive well; Exxon has four producing wells and one inactive well. One of Exxon's wells, the Haley Unit No. 502, is overproduced.

Since the last field balancing, several negative forecast correction adjustments have been made in the field, resulting in field allowable ranging from 61,220 MCF to over 90,000 MCF per month. For Exxon's Haley Unit No. 502, the best well in the field, the allowable has fluctuated significantly from 20,360 MCF in April 2007 up to 50,809 MCF in July, August and October 2007. As of September 1, this well is 48,694 MCF overproduced. The well consistently produces 45-50 MMCF per month and has a G-10 of 1,600 MCFD.

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. Notice was issued to all affected persons at least ten (10) days prior to the date of the hearing. The hearing was unopposed.
2. The Evetts (Pennsylvanian) Field is a non-associated gas field which has 4 active producing wells. Exxon Mobil operates all of the active wells in the field.
3. The field has been balanced four times since 1996, the last in January 2007.
4. As a result of several negative forecast correction adjustments, allowable in the field have fluctuated significantly. Exxon has one overproduced well which consistently produces 45-50 MMCF per month.
5. Balancing the field will not harm correlative rights. No one appeared at the hearing in protest of the application.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

1. Proper notice was timely issued to all persons legally entitled to notice.
2. All things have been accomplished to give the Commission jurisdiction in this matter.
3. Balancing the Evetts (Pennsylvanian) Field will not harm correlative rights and will not cause waste.

EXAMINER'S RECOMMENDATION

Based on the above findings and conclusions of law, the examiner recommends that the Evetts (Pennsylvanian) Field be balanced.

Respectfully submitted,

Donna K. Chandler
Technical Examiner