

BEFORE THE STATE OIL AND GAS BOARD OF ALABAMA

PURSUANT TO A DECISION RENDERED  
DURING A REGULAR SESSION OF THE  
STATE OIL AND GAS BOARD OF ALABAMA  
ON AUGUST 21, 1981, THE FOLLOWING  
ORDER IS HEREBY PROMULGATED:

IN RE: ORDER 81-165

DOCKET NO. 8-21-8113

This cause came on for hearing before the State Oil and Gas Board of Alabama on the petition of Belden and Blake Corporation, a foreign corporation authorized to do and doing business in the State of Alabama, requesting the Board to enter an order creating a 40-acre drilling unit as an exception to the Special Field Rules for the Gilberttown Field, Choctaw County, Alabama, and the Board finds that due, proper and legal notice of the hearing of said cause has been given in the manner and form and for the time required by law and the rules and regulations of this Board, and that the Board has full jurisdiction of this cause, and that due and legal proofs of publication of notice are on file with the Board, and the Board having heard the evidence of witnesses and argument of counsel, and being fully advised in the premises finds:

I.

That Petitioner proposes to drill a Selma Chalk Well in an effort to recover remaining oil reserves thought to be remaining following abandonment of the C. H. Utsey No. 1 Well and the H. G. Smith No. 1 Well, both located in the Gilberttown Field; and

II.

That in order to recover additional oil and reserves it will be necessary to create a 40-acre drilling unit comprised of the E/2 of the SW/4 of the SE/4 and the W/2 of the SE/4 of the SE/4 all in Section 34, Township 11 North, Range 4 West, Choctaw County, Alabama, and said new well on said unit would be approximately equidistant from other wells producing in the field in the SE/4 of said Section 34; and

III.

That the Special Field Rules for the Gilberttown Field, Choctaw County, Alabama, require drilling units to be located on governmental quarter-quarter sections containing approximately 40 acres; and

IV.

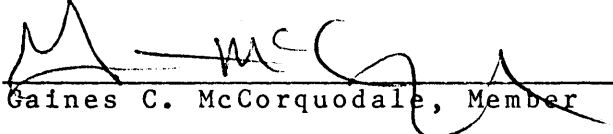
Petitioner avers that a well completed on the proposed unit should efficiently and economically drain and produce the remaining recoverable hydrocarbons from said unit without avoidable waste, and will protect the coequal and correlative rights of all owners in the unit.


IT IS, THEREFORE, HEREBY ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED by the State Oil and Gas Board of Alabama that a 40-acre drilling unit consisting of the E/2 of the SW/4 of SE/4 and the W/2 of the SE/4 of SE/4, all in Section 34, Township 11 North, Range 4 West, Choctaw County, Alabama, be and hereby is approved as an exception to the Special Field Rules for the Gilbertown Field, Choctaw County, Alabama.

ORDERED this 21st day of August, 1981.

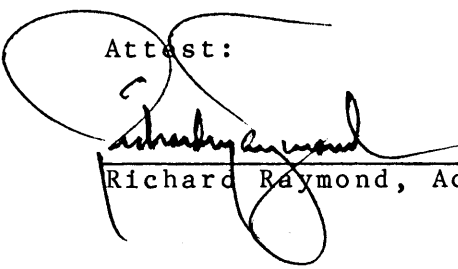
STATE OIL AND GAS BOARD OF ALABAMA

BY:   
Dr. Ralph Adams, Chairman

BY:   
Gaines C. McCorquodale, Member

BY:   
James G. Lee, Member

Attest:

  
Richard Raymond, Acting Secretary