BEFORE THE STATE OIL AND GAS BOARD OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI

RE: SOUTHWEST GAS PRODUCING CO., INC.

SPECIAL FIELD RULES

CENTER POINT FIELD

LINCOLN COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI

DOCKET NO. 21-73-336

order no. <u>24-73</u>

ORDER REAPPROVING SPECIAL FIELD RULES

This cause coming on this day to be heard upon application of Southwest Gas Producing Company, Inc., upon proof of publication of notice as required by statute and the rules of this Board, and upon oral and documentary proof introduced at the hearing on this matter and the Board being of the opinion that the relief asked should be granted, does find as follows:

I.

The Board does find and adjudicate that proper, due and legal notice for the meeting of this Board to consider this application has been given as required by law and the rules of this Board and that due, legal and sufficient proofs of publication of notice are on file with this Board. The Board does further adjudicate that it has full and complete jurisdiction of the subject matter to hear and determine this application at this time and place.

II.

Special Field Rules were adopted by this Board for this field by Order No. 16-72, entered January 19, 1972. Since the entry of this order, three (3) wells, off-sets to the discovery well in the field, the Southwest Gas Producing Company, Inc. - Quinn 33-7

Well, have been drilled but dry and abandoned. The Board does find that none of the development in the field has indicated that any change in the Special Field Rules previously adopted is necessary at this time.

III.

The Board does also find that it is necessary and proper for this Board to readopt and reapprove the Special Field Rules previously adopted in this field and that to do so will promote the proper development of the Center Point Field, protect the co-equal and correlative rights of all owners in said field and the oil pool underlying the same, promote conservation, avoid waste, prevent the drilling of unnecessary wells and permit the recovery of the maximum amount of oil from the Lower Tuscaloosa Oil Pool in said field.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that the following Special Field
Rules be and they are hereby readopted and reapproved for the Center
Point Field, Lincoln County, Mississippi.

FIELD LIMITS:

The Center Point Field as used herein is that area consisting of all that part of the S^{1}_{2} of the SW^{1}_{4} of Section 27; the S^{1}_{2} of the S^{1}_{2} of Section 28; all of Section 33; the W^{1}_{2} of Section 34; all in Township 6 North, Range 6 East; and the NW^{1}_{4} of Section 3 and the NV^{1}_{2} of Section 4; all in Township 5 North, Range 6 East, Lincoln County, Mississippi, underlain by the Lower Tuscaloosa Oil Pool as herein defined and all productive extensions thereof.

LOWER TUSCALOOSA OIL POOL DEFINED:

The Lower Tuscaloosa Oil Pool in the Center Point Field shall be construed to mean those strata of the Lower Tuscaloosa

Formation productive of oil in the interval between 10,685 feet and 10,733 feet in the Southwest Gas Producing Company, Inc., Quinn 33-7 Well, located 1,895 feet from the East line and 1,980 feet from the North line of Section 33, Township 6 North, Range 6 East, Lincoln County, Mississippi, as indicated on the electrical log of said well and all intervals correlative of said strata productive of hydrocarbons.

RULE 1 - SPACING OF OIL WELLS:

Every well drilled as an oil well:

- (a) Shall be located on a drilling unit consisting of eighty (80) surface contiguous acres, or two governmental quarter-quarter sections containing not less than seventy-two (72) acres or more than eighty-eight (88) acres, upon which no other drilling or producible well is located;
- (b) Any drilling unit not composed of two governmental quarter-quarter sections must be completely encompassed by the perimeter of a rectangle 1600 feet by 2725 feet. Provided, however, no unit shall be permitted which will create island acreage;
- (c) The well shall be located at least 1,000 feet from every other drilling or producible well located in conformity with this rule; and
- (d) The well shall be located at least 500 feet from every exterior boundary of the drilling unit.

RULE 2 - APPLICABILITY OF STATEWIDE RULES:

A. All rules and regulations contained in Statewide Order No. 201-51 and all amendments thereto, not specifically covered in the foregoing Special Field Rules are hereby adopted and shall apply to said field.

B. The Board expressly reserves the right after notice and hearing to alter, amend or repeal any and all of the foregoing rules and regulations.

ORDERED this the 17th day of January, 1973.

MISSISSIPPI STATE OIL AND GAS BOARD

By Chairman