

IN THE STATE OIL AND GAS BOARD OF MISSISSIPPI

IN RE: SHELL WESTERN E&P INC., REQUESTING  
THE BOARD TO ADOPT SPECIAL FIELD RULES SO AS  
TO DEFINE THE UPPER BUCKNER AND NORPHLET GAS  
POOLS, TO ESTABLISH SPACING FOR SAID POOLS  
AND TO DEFINE THE GEOGRAPHIC LIMITS OF THE  
FIELD.

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STATE OIL AND GAS BOARD  
A. Richard Henderson, Supervisor

DOCKET NO. 431-89-490

ORDER NO. 54-90

ORDER

THIS MATTER came on this day to be heard on the sworn  
Petition of Shell Western E&P Inc., requesting the Board to adopt  
Special Field Rules so as to define the Upper Buckner and  
Norphlet Gas Pools, to establish spacing for said pools, and to  
define the geographic limits of the field, in the Hollybush Creek  
Field, Rankin County, Mississippi. George W. McKay, Sr., and  
Shelton E. McKay, through their attorney, Edmund L. Brunini, Jr.,  
appeared in opposition to this Petition. After hearing and  
considering all evidence, both documentary and oral, and  
arguments of counsel, the Board is of the opinion that the  
Petition of Shell Western E&P Inc., in this cause should be  
dismissed without prejudice, and the Board finds as follows:

(1)

The Board has complete jurisdiction of all of the matters  
presented in this cause and due and legal notice has been  
published in accordance with the law and the rules and  
regulations of this Board.

(2)

The Special Field Rules as submitted by Petitioner contain  
specific spacing of 1,280 acres for the proposed Upper Buckner  
Gas Pool and 640 acres for the proposed Norphlet Gas Pool.  
Petitioner has not sustained its burden of proof that the equal  
and correlative rights of all parties in interests will be  
protected by the manner in which Petitioner proposes to develop  
and exploit the involved carbon dioxide deposits.

(3)

The Petitioner has likewise not sustained its burden of proof that the subject Upper Buckner Gas Pool can be adequately and efficiently drained under the spacing sought in the proposed Special Field Rules as there has been only one commercial well drilled in the pool for which wider spacing is sought.

(4)

The Board makes no specific finding as to the remaining portions of the Special Field Rules herein. The Board notes that the Petitioner requested dismissal of this Petition in its entirety if full relief would not be granted and the Board has therefore dismissed this Petition without prejudice to the Petitioner.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED AND ADJUDGED that the Petition of Shell Western E&P Inc., in the subject docket, be dismissed without prejudice.

ORDERED AND ADJUDGED, this the 22nd day of February, 1990.

MISSISSIPPI STATE OIL AND GAS BOARD

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