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STATE OIL AND GAS BOARD  
Clyde R. Davis, State Oil & Gas Supervisor

## THE STATE OIL AND GAS BOARD OF MISSISSIPPI

DOCKET NO. 180-77-161

ORDER NO. 392-77ORDER

This day this cause came on to be heard on the petition of Biglane Operating Company, of Natchez, Mississippi, requesting the Board to make permanent the Special Field Rules for the Johnston Station Field in Lincoln and Pike Counties, Mississippi, insofar as said rules pertain to the lands hereinafter described, and the Board finds that due and legal notice of the meeting of this Board for the purpose of considering the above petition has been given in the manner and form provided by law and the rules and regulations of this Board and that proper proofs of publication are on file with this Board, and the Board has full jurisdiction of the parties and the subject matter in said cause, and having heard the evidence of witnesses and arguments of counsel and being fully advised in the premises, this Board is of the opinion that said Special Field Rules should be made permanent.

The Board further finds that by Order No. 147-73 dated June 28, 1973, entered in Docket No. 67-73-161, said temporary Special Field Rules for the Johnston Station Field were adopted, which said Rules established drilling units of eighty contiguous surface acres or two governmental quarter-quarter sections containing not less than seventy-two acres or more than eighty-eight acres as therein defined for the Lower Tuscaloosa Oil Pool as defined in said Special Field Rules.

The Board further finds that in order to comply with the opinion rendered by the Supreme Court of Mississippi, it is now necessary to make permanent the Special Field Rules for the Johnston Station Field insofar as said Rules pertain to the following described land, to-wit:

S $\frac{1}{2}$  of NW $\frac{1}{4}$  of SW $\frac{1}{4}$  and SW $\frac{1}{4}$  of SW $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 36, Township 5 North, Range 7 East, Lincoln County, Mississippi, and the N $\frac{1}{2}$  of NW $\frac{1}{4}$  of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ , Section 1, Township 4 North, Range 7 East, Pike County, Mississippi, and all productive extensions thereof underlain by the Lower Tuscaloosa Oil Pool.

The Board further finds that for the prevention of waste and the protection of the correlative rights of all owners in the field, the Special Field Rules for the Johnston Station Field, Lincoln and Pike Counties, Mississippi, should be made permanent rules insofar as said rules pertain to the above described land.

IT IS, THEREFORE, HEREBY ORDERED AND ADJUDGED that the following Special Field Rules be and the same are hereby made permanent for the Johnston Station Field, Lincoln and Pike Counties, Mississippi.

SPECIAL FIELD RULES  
FOR THE JOHNSTON STATION FIELD  
LINCOLN AND PIKE COUNTIES, MISSISSIPPI

The Johnston Station Field, as used herein, is that area consisting of the S $\frac{1}{2}$  of NW $\frac{1}{4}$  of SW $\frac{1}{4}$  and SW $\frac{1}{4}$  of SW $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 36, Township 5 North, Range 7 East, Lincoln County, Mississippi, and the N $\frac{1}{2}$  of NW $\frac{1}{4}$  of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ , Section 1, Township 4 North, Range 7 East, Pike County, Mississippi, and all productive extensions thereof underlain by the Lower Tuscaloosa Oil Pool, as hereinafter defined.

I. The Lower Tuscaloosa Oil Pool in the Johnston Station Field shall be construed to mean those strata of the Tuscaloosa Formation productive of oil in the interval between the electric log depths of 10,798 feet to 10,829 feet in the Biglane Operating Company - Gall-Brown, et al, No. 1 Well, and all sands correlative of these strata productive of oil, said well being located 482 feet North of the South line and 380 feet West of the East line of the SW $\frac{1}{4}$  of SW $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 36, Township 5 North, Range 7 East, Lincoln County, Mississippi.

II. The characteristics of said Lower Tuscaloosa Oil Pool in said field are such that a well located as hereinafter prescribed and drilled upon a drilling unit containing approximately 80 contiguous surface acres conforming to the requirements of the rules herein contained will efficiently drain and produce the recoverable oil from such units in said pool without avoidable waste.

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) contiguous surface 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 660 feet from every other drilling or producible well located in conformity with this rule; and
- (d) the well shall be located at least 330 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 any amendments thereto, not specifically covered by 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 AND ADJUDGED this 21st day of December, 1977,  
effective March 19, 1976.

STATE OIL AND GAS BOARD OF MISSISSIPPI  
By Joe R. Sanchez, Jr.  
CHAIRMAN