

THE STATE OIL AND GAS BOARD OF MISSISSIPPI

DOCKET NO. 264-68-102

ORDER NO. 339-68

O R D E R

This day this cause coming on to be heard on the petition of Eugene W. Tynes, of Natchez, Mississippi, requesting the State Oil and Gas Board to amend the Special Field Rules for the Beaver Branch Field, Adams County, Mississippi, so as to authorize the metering, measuring and commingling of production from the several reservoirs in the Beaver Branch Field, and the Board finding 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 the rules and regulations of this Board, and that due and proper proofs of all legal and required notices are on file with this Board in said cause; that the Board has full jurisdiction of the parties and the subject matter in this cause, and having heard the evidence of witnesses and arguments of counsel and being advised in the premises, is of the opinion that the relief sought in said petition should be granted in the manner and form hereinafter set out.

The Board further finds that heretofore, by Order No. 289-59 entered in Docket No. 214-59-102, this Board adopted Special Field Rules for the Beaver Branch Field, and that by Order No. 334-68 entered in Docket No. 259-68-102, this Board identified and defined the Walker Sand Oil Pool, the Blaney Sand Oil Pool, the Crosby Sand Oil Pool and the McKittrick Sand Oil Pool, all as encountered in petitioner's wells in the Beaver Branch Field.

The Board further finds that in order to prevent physical and economic waste and for the protection of the co-equal and correlative rights of all owners and parties in interest in said field, it is necessary to amend the Special Field Rules for the Beaver Branch Field so as to authorize the metering, measuring and commingling of production from the several reservoirs in said field.

IT IS, THEREFORE, HEREBY ORDERED AND ADJUDGED that the Special Field Rules for the Beaver Branch Field, Adams and Franklin Counties, Mississippi, be and they are hereby amended so as to authorize the metering, measuring and commingling of production from the several reservoirs in said field, as follows:

RULE 1 - MEASUREMENT OF PRODUCTION

The operator of each producing lease shall maintain proper separation equipment and stock tanks and/or metering devices and such connections thereto as are necessary to measure the total production from such lease. Where metering devices are used, the production may be commingled in a common storage system with production from other leases. And if, upon a sale therefrom, a variance exists between the measurement from the common storage system and the total measurement of the production of all leases commingled in such common storage system, then such variance shall be allocated back to each of the leases producing into such common storage system proportionately to the production measured from each lease.

RULE 2 - EQUIPMENT FOR TESTS

The operator of each producing lease on which there are two or more producing wells shall maintain proper separation equipment and stock tanks and/or metering devices and such connections thereto as will permit the adequate testing of each individual well under usual operating conditions without the necessity of closing in any other well. Such separation equipment, stock tanks and/or metering devices and connections thereto shall be subject to approval by the Supervisor.

RULE 3 - USE OF METERS

A. The use of meters for testing and for measurement of

lease production shall be subject to and in accordance with the following provisions:

1. Metering devices shall be of the positive displacement or positive volume type which register the volume of oil passed through it in barrels or multiples thereof.
2. All meters shall be downstream of the necessary separating or treating vessels. All meters shall be designed and installed in conformance with recognized metering practices and acceptable to the Oil and Gas Board.
3. No meter used for oil production measurement shall be directly or indirectly by-passed in such manner as to permit oil from separate leases to pass into common storage without first being measured by said meter including wells on test.
4. All meters and equipment affecting meter accuracy shall be kept in good working order. Each meter shall be calibrated monthly by means of a calibrated tank, a calibrated meter prover or a master meter. Any deviations found shall be corrected by use of a proper meter factor.

RULE 4 - APPLICABILITY OF STATEWIDE RULES

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

(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.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED AND ADJUDGED that petitioner, Eugene W. Tynes, be and he is hereby authorized to produce and operate his wells in the Beaver Branch Field in compliance with the Special Field Rules heretofore adopted and as amended by this order.

SO ORDERED, on this the 18th day of December, 1968.

STATE OIL AND GAS BOARD OF MISSISSIPPI

By Robert M. Farland
CHAIRMAN