

BEFORE THE OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION  
OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO

CASE NO. 6167  
Order No. R-5694

IN THE MATTER OF THE HEARING CALLED BY THE OIL  
CONSERVATION COMMISSION ON ITS OWN MOTION TO  
PERMIT SAGUARO OIL COMPANY AND ALL OTHER INTERESTED  
PARTIES TO APPEAR AND SHOW CAUSE WHY THE TENNECO  
SANTA FE WELL NO. 1 LOCATED IN UNIT D OF SECTION  
31, TOWNSHIP 18 NORTH, RANGE 8 WEST, MCKINLEY COUNTY,  
NEW MEXICO, SHOULD NOT BE PLUGGED AND ABANDONED IN  
ACCORDANCE WITH A COMMISSION-APPROVED PLUGGING PROGRAM.

ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

BY THE COMMISSION:

This cause came on for hearing at 9 a.m. on March 8, 1978,  
at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner, Daniel S. Nutter.

NOW, on this 11th day of April, 1978, the Commission, a  
quorum being present, having considered the testimony, the record,  
and the recommendations of the Examiner, and being fully advised  
in the premises,

FINDS:

(1) That due public notice having been given as required by  
law, the Commission has jurisdiction of this cause and the subject  
matter thereof.

(2) That Saguaro Oil Company is the owner and operator of  
the Tenneco Santa Fe Well No. 1, located in Unit D of Section 31,  
Township 18 North, Range 8 West, NMPM, McKinley County, New Mexico.

(3) That in order to prevent waste and protect correlative  
rights said Tenneco Santa Fe Well No. 1 should be plugged and  
abandoned in accordance with a program approved by the Aztec  
District Office of the Oil Conservation Division of the New Mexico  
Energy and Minerals Department on or before June 1, 1978, or the  
well should be returned to active drilling status or placed on  
production.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

(1) That Saguaro Oil Company is hereby ordered to plug and  
abandon the Tenneco Santa Fe Well No. 1, located in Unit D of  
Section 31, Township 18 North, Range 8 West, NMPM, McKinley County,  
New Mexico, or in the alternative, to return the well to active  
drilling status or place the well on production on or before  
June 1, 1978.