

BEFORE THE OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION  
OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO

CASE NO. 5769  
Order No. R-5307

IN THE MATTER OF THE HEARING CALLED BY THE OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION ON ITS OWN MOTION TO PERMIT JUANITA FRANK, THE AETNA CASUALTY AND SURETY COMPANY, AND ALL OTHER INTERESTED PARTIES TO APPEAR AND SHOW CAUSE WHY THE GREATHOUSE FRANK WELL NO. 2, LOCATED IN UNIT C OF SECTION 10, TOWNSHIP 23 NORTH, RANGE 1 WEST, RIO ARriba 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 September 29, 1976, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner Daniel S. Nutter.

NOW, on this 27th day of October, 1976, 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 Juanita Frank is the owner and operator of the Greathouse Frank Well No. 2, located in Unit C of Section 10, Township 23 North, Range 1 West, NMPM, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico.
- (3) That The Aetna Casualty and Surety Company is the surety on the Oil Conservation Commission plugging bond on which Juanita Frank is principal.
- (4) That the purpose of said bond is to assure the state that the subject well will be properly plugged and abandoned when not capable of commercial production.
- (5) That in order to prevent waste and protect correlative rights said Greathouse Frank Well No. 2 should be plugged and abandoned in accordance with a program approved by the Aztec District Office of the New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission on or before December 1, 1976, or the well should be returned to active drilling status or placed on production.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

(1) That Juanita Frank and The Aetna Casualty and Surety Company are hereby ordered to plug and abandon the Greathouse Frank Well No. 2, located in Unit C of Section 10, Township 23 North, Range 1 West, NMPM, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico, on or before December 1, 1976.

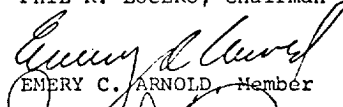
(2) That Juanita Frank and The Aetna Casualty and Surety Company, prior to plugging and abandoning the above-described well, shall obtain from the Aztec office of the Commission, a Commission-approved program for said plugging and abandoning, and shall notify said Aztec office of the date and hour said work is to be commenced whereupon the Commission may, at its option, witness such work.

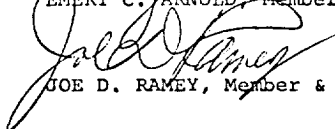
(3) That jurisdiction of this cause is retained for the entry of such further orders as the Commission may deem necessary.

DONE at Santa Fe, New Mexico, on the day and year hereinabove designated.

STATE OF NEW MEXICO  
OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

PHIL R. LUCERO, Chairman

  
EMERY C. ARNOLD, Member

  
JOE D. RAMEY, Member & Secretary

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