CASE 5824: RAYMOND EAVES FOR AN EXCEPTION TO ORDER NO. R-3221, EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

CASE NO.

5824

APPlication, Transcripts, Small Exhibits,

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DIRECTOR

JOE D. RAMEY

OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

STATE OF NEW MEXICO P. O. BOX 2088 - SANTA FE 87501

LAND COMMISSIONER PHIL R. LUCERO January 18, 1977



STATE GEOLOGIST EMERY C. ARNOLD

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Hobbs, New Mexico 88240		Raymond Eaves				
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BEFORE THE OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO

IN THE MATTER OF THE HEARING CALLED BY THE OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION OF NEW MEXICO FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONSIDERING:

CASE NO. 5824 Order No. R-5346

APPLICATION OF RAYMOND EAVES FOR AN EXCEPTION TO ORDER NO. R-3221, EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

BY THE COMMISSION:

This cause was set for hearing at 9 a.m. on January 4, 1977, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before the Oil Conservation Commission of New Mexico, hereinafter referred to as the "Commission."

NOW, on this 17th day of January, 1977, the Commission, a quorum being present, having considered the applicant's request for dismissal,

FINDS:

That the applicant's request for dismissal should be granted.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

That Case No. 5824 is hereby dismissed.

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. RAMBY, Member & Secretary

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WILLIAMS, JOHNSON, HOUSTON, REAGAN & PORTER IIS NORTH SHIPP STREET, P. O. BOX 1848 HOBBS, NEW MEXICO 88240

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December 27, 1976

State of New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission State Land Office Building Santa Fe, NM 87501

Attention: Mr. Joe D. Ramey, Secretary-Director

Re: Withdrawal of Application of

Raymond Eaves

Gentlemen:

Enclosed for filing is a Withdrawal of Application of Raymond Eaves for permission to construct and operate a salt water disposal pit in Eddy County. This application had been set for hearing before the commission on January 4th. We request that this hearing be vacated.

We apologize for any inconvenience which this withdrawal may cause.

Yours trul

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Enclosures

BEFORE THE OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO

APPLICATION OF RAYMOND EAVES FOR PERMISSION TO CONSTRUCT AND OPERATE A SALT WATER DISPOSAL PIT IN THE NORTHEAST QUARTER OF THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER OF SECTION 2, TOWNSHIP 20 SOUTH, RANGE 30 EAST, EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

CASE 5824

WITHDRAWAL OF APPLICATION

COMES NOW Applicant Raymond Eaves and withdraws his application for permission to construct and operate a salt water disposal pit.

RAYMOND EAVES, APPLICANT

WILLIAMS, JOHNSON, HOUSTON,

REAGAN & PORTER

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Attorneys for Applicant P. O. Box 1948

Hobbs, New Mexico 88240

DATED: December 27, 1976

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December 23, 1976

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Oil Conservation Commission State Land Office Building Santa Fe, NM 87501

Re: Case 5824 (January 4, 1977)

Gentlemen:

We will appear on behalf of Pollution Control, Inc. in opposition of the application filed herein by Raymond Eaves. Please forward copies of any other appearances of record and notify us as to any changes in hearing dates or times.

Yours very truly,

Don Maddox

DM:jp

cc: J. W. Neal

D. L. Garey

Dockets Nos. 3-77 and 5-77 are tentatively set for hearing on January 19 and February 2, 1977. Applications for hearing must be filed at least 22 days in advance of hearing date.

DOCKET: COMMISSION HEARING - TUESDAY - JANUARY 4, 1977

OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION - 9 A.M. - ROOM 205, STATE LAND OFFICE BUILDING, SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

CASE 5824:

Application of Raymond Eaves for an exception to Order No. R-3221, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks, as an exception to the provisions of Commission Order No. R-3221, permission to construct and operate an earthen evaporation pit in the NE/4 SW/4 of Section 2, Township 20 South, Range 30 East, Eddy County, New Mexico, for the disposal of produced water from oil and gas wells in Eddy and Lea Counties, New Mexico.

Docket No. 2-77

DOCKET: EXAMINER HEARING - WEDNESDAY - JANUARY 5, 1977

9 A.M. - OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION CONFERENCE ROOM, STATE LAND OFFICE BUILDING, SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

The following cases will be heard before Daniel S. Nutter, Examiner, or Richard L. Stamets, Alternate Examiner:

CASE 5820: (Continued & Readvertised)

Application of Texas Oil & Gas Corporation for compulsory pooling, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests in the Wolfcamp and Pennsylvanian formations underlying the W/2 of Section 4, Township 22 South, Range 26 East, Eddy County, New Mexico, to be dedicated to a well to be drilled at a standard location thereon. Also to be considered will be the cost of drilling and completing said well and the allocation of the cost thereof, as well as actual operating costs and charges for supervision. Also to be considered will be the designation of applicant as operator of the well and a charge for risk involved in drilling said well.

Application of Harvey E. Yates Company for compulsory pooling, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests in the Wolfcamp and Pennsylvanian formations underlying the S/2 of Section 36, Township 17 South, Range 26 East, Atoka-Pennsylvanian Cas Pool, Eddy County, New Mexico, to be dedicated to a well to be drilled at a standard location. Also to be considered will be the cost of drilling and completing said well and the allocation of the cost thereof, as well as actual operating costs and charges for supervision. Also to be considered will be the designation of applicant as operator of the well and a charge for risk involved in drilling said well.

Application of Atlantic Richfield Company for three unorthodox locations and simultaneous dedication, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks authority to simultaneously dedicate a previously approved 185-acre Eumont gas provided unit comprising the SW/4 and SW/4 NW/4 of Section 19, Township 21 South, Range 36 East, Eumont Gas Pool, Lea County, New Mexico, to its State "F" DE Wells Nos. 1, 3, and 4 located at unorthodox locations in Units E, K, and M, respectively, of said Section 19.

Application of Atlantic Richfield Company for four unorthodox locations and simultaneous dedication, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks authority to simultaneously dedicate a previously approved 275-acre Euront gas proration unit comprising the W/2 E/2, N/2 NW/4, and SE/4 NW/4 of Section 19, Township 21 South, Range 36 East, Euront Cas Pool, Lea County, New Mexico, to its State 176 Wells Nos. 2, 3, 4, and 6 located at unorthodox locations in Units O, J, G, and C, respectively, of said Section 19.

Application of Atlantic Richfield Company for an unorthodox gas well location, Eddy County, New Mexico.

Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for the unorthodox gas well location of its
Robinson Gas Com Well No. 1 to be drilled 1850 feet from the North line and 660 feet from the West
line of Section 27, Township 17 South, Range 29 East, Grayburg-Morrow Gas Pool, Eddy County, New Mexico,
the N/2 of said Section 27 to be dedicated to the well.

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December 2, 1976

State of New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission State Land Office Building Santa Fe, New Mexico 87501

Attention: Mr. Joe D. Ramey, Secretary-Director

Re: Application of Raymond Eaves for construction of salt water disposal pit

Gentlemen:

Enclosed for filing is an Application for permission to construct and operate a salt water disposal pit in Eddy County, New Mexico. We would appreciate a hearing on this Application at the earliest possible time after allowing for publication of notice.

Thank you very much for your courtesy.

Yours tivily,

John T. Porter

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BEFORE THE OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO

Case 5824

APPLICATION OF RAYMOND EAVES FOR PERMISSION TO CONSTRUCT AND OPERATE A SALT WATER DISPOSAL PIT IN THE NORTHEAST QUARTER OF THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER OF SECTION 2, TOWNSHIP 20 SOUTH, RANGE 30 EAST, EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

APPLICATION

COMES NOW Applicant Raymond Eaves, a resident of the State of New Mexico, and states that:

- 1. Applicant is the grantee of right to use a portion of the surface of the NE/4 SW/4 of Section 2, Township 20 South, Range 30 East, Eddy County, New Mexico, for the construction and operation of an evaporation pit to dispose of water produced from oil and gas wells in Eddy and Lea Counties, New Mexico.
- 2. The proposed disposal pit is located in that area defined in Commission Order R-3221-B, dated July 25, 1968, as an area in which "...the purpose of Order No. R-3221, to afford reasonable protection against contamination of fresh water supplies by surface disposal of produced water, would not be advanced by the enforcement of said Order as to the above-described area." [Paragraphs (3), (4), (5), (8), (10), (11)].
- 3. Applicant seeks to enter into contracts with producers of produced water, for a fee, to collect, transport and dispose of the water in the proposed disposal pit.
- 4. The pit will cover approximately ten surface acres and be of a depth of approximately three feet from the surface.
- 5. Applicant seeks authority to dispose of a maximum of 7,500 barrels of produced water per day into the pit.
- 6. Skim tanks will be installed to separate and capture any oil that might be remaining with the disposable water, and the pit will be constructed in such a manner that the water will be retained and confined to the above-described area to allow evaporation.

- 7. No surface or ground fresh water exists in the area, as all water used in said area for livestock or human consumption is piped into the area.
- 8. In order to permit the continued production of oil and gas in Eddy and Lea Counties, New Mexico, and thereby to prevent waste without the violation of any correlative rights, Applicant should be permitted to construct said pit and dispose of water produced from oil and gas wells in Eddy and Lea Counties.

WHEREFORE, Applicant respectfully requests the Commission to set this matter down for examiner hearing, and after notice and hearing, to enter its order permitting the construction and operation of an evaporation pit for the disposal of water produced from oil and gas wells in Eddy and Lea Counties, New Mexico, in the NE/4 SW/4 of Section 2, Township 20 South, Range 30 East, Eddy County, New Mexico.

RAYMOND EAVES, APPLICANT

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Attorneys for Applicant

P. O. Box 1948

Hobbs, New Mexico 88240

DATED: Decomber 2

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BEFORE THE OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO

APPLICATION OF RAYMOND EAVES FOR PERMISSION TO CONSTRUCT AND OPERATE A SALT WATER DISPOSAL PIT IN THE NORTHEAST QUARTER OF THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER OF SECTION 2, TOWNSHIP 20 SOUTH, RANGE 30 EAST, EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

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WHEREFORE, Applicant respectfully requests the Commission to set this matter down for examiner hearing, and after notice and hearing, to enter its order permitting the construction and operation of an evaporation pit for the disposal of water produced from oil and gas wells in Eddy and Lea Counties, New Mexico, in the NE/4 SW/4 of Section 2, Township 20 South, Range 30 East, Eddy County, New Mexico.

RAYMOND EAVES, APPLICANT

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Attorneys for Applicant

P. O. Box 1948

Hobbs, New Mexico 88240

DATED: December 2

FINDS:

That the applicant's request for dismissal should be granted.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

That Case No. 5824 is hereby dismissed.

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

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BEFORE THE OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO

IN THE MATTER OF THE HEARING CALLED BY THE OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION OF NEW MEXICO FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONSIDERING:

CASE No. 5824

5346

Order No. R- 5347

APPLICATION OF RAYMOND EAVES FOR AN EXCEPTION TO ORDER NO. R-3221, EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

BY THE COMMISSION:

This cause came on for hearing at 9 a.m. on January 4, 1977 at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before the Oil Conservation Commission of New Mexico, hereinafter referred to as the "Commission."

NOW, on this _____day of January , 1977, the Commission, a quorum being present, having considered the testimony presented and the exhibits received at said hearing, and being fully advised in the premises, applicant's request for dismissal,

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.

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