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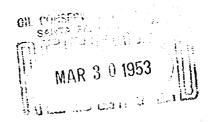
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# BEFORE THE OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION STATE OF NEW MEXICO

Santa Fe, New Mexico March 17, 1953

TRANSCRIPT OF HEARING CASE NO. 497



E. E. GREESON
ADA DEARNLEY
COURT REPORTERS
BOX 1303:
PHONES 5-9422 AND 5-9546
ALBUQUERQUE, NEW MEXICO

# BEFORE THE OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION STATE OF NEW MEXICO

Santa Fe, New Mexico March 17, 1953

In the Matter of:

Application of Skelly Oil Company granting permission to directionally drill its Mexico TT Well No. 1, SE SE, Sect. 2, Twp. 12 S. Rge. 32 E, for reasons of geologic implication; said well-bore to be deviated to the west to a position equivalent to a surface location of 550 from the South and East lines of Section 2, through methods of controlled directional drilling.

Case No. 497

### TRANSCRIPT OF HEARING

(Notice of publication read by Mr. Graham.)

MR. SPURRIER: Is there anyone to appear in Case 497? If not I will read a letter I had from the attorney for Skelly.

"Please continue Case 497 to April 16th hearing, from March 17th as originally requested. The well is drilling and will not be completed by March 17th, hence reports could not be filed at the hearing. Signed George W. Sellinger, Skelly Oil Company."

Are there any objections to Mr. Sellinger's motion? If not we will continue the case to April 16th.

ADA DEARNLEY & ASSOCIATES
COURT REPORTERS
ROOM 105-106, EL CORTEZ BLDG.
PHONES 7-9645 AND 5-9546
ALBUQUERQUE, NEW MEXICO

STATE OF NEW MEXICO ) : SS.

I, ADA DEARNLEY, hereby certify that the above and foregoing transcript of proceedings in Case 497, taken before the Oil Conservation Commission on March 17, 1953, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, is a true and correct record.

Dated in Albuquerque, New Mexico, this 24th day of March, 1953.

Ada Dearnley Notary Public

My Commission Expires: June 19, 1955.

E. E. GREESON
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Sec. 2 Township No. 12 of Range No. 32

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# BEFORE THE OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION STATE OF NEW MEXICO



### (Readvertised)

In the matter of the application of Skelly Oil Company for an order granting permission to directionally drill its Mexico 'T' Well No. 1, SE/4 SE/4 NE/4, Section 2, Township 12 South, Range 32 East, NMPM, for reasons of geologic implication; said well-bore to be deviated to the northwest to an approximate position equivalent to a surface location of 550 feet from the south and west lines of the SE/4 NE/4 of Section 2, through methods of controlled directional drilling.

### TRANSCRIPT OF HEARING

June 16, 1953

Date

BEFORE:

Honorable Ed. L. Mechem, Governor Honorable E. S. Walker, Land Commissioner Honorable R. R. Spurrier, Director, OCO

STATE OF NEW MEXICO )

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COUNTY OF BERNALILLO)

I HEREBY CERTIFY That the within transcript of proceedings before the Oil Conservation Commission is a true record of the same to the best of my knowledge, skill, and ability.

DONE at Albuquerque, N. M., this

My Comm. Ex.: August 4, 1956

E. Greeson Notary - Reporter

COM. SPURRIER: The next case on the docket is Case 497.

(Mr. Graham reads the advertisement.)

MR. SELINGER: For the applicant Skelly Oil Company, George W. Selinger. We have one witness, Mr. Max Curry, which we would like to have sworn.

MAX E. CURRY

having been first duly sworn, testified as follows: DIRECT EXAMINATION

# BY MR. SELINGER:

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- State your name.
- Max E. Curry.
- And you are associated with Skelly Oil Company? Q
- Petroleum engineer.
- Where are you located, Mr. Curry?
- Hobbs, N. M.
- Are you familiar with the Skelly Oil Company's Mexico 'T' lease?
  - I am. A
- Is that in the East Caprock Field of Lea County, Q New Mexico?
  - It is in the East Caprock-Devonian Field.
- I hand you what has been marked as Skelly's Exhibit 1. Is that a plat of a portion of the East Caprock Field which contained the Mexico "T' lease of Skelly Oil Company?

- It is.
- It shows the No. 1 well marked on its surface and A at the bottom of the old location, is that correct?
  - That is correct.
- Now, upon completion of the well, did you have a survey run to indicate the exact location of the bottom of the hole?

  - Does that survey indicate the deviation from sur-A Q face?
  - The surface of the location was 330 ft. from the south and 330 ft. from the east edges of the lease?
    - That is correct.
  - And it has been shipstocked to the west area of the lease at approximately what distance from the south line and what distance from the west line of the lease?
  - 343.48 ft. from the south line, and 437.20 ft. from the west line.
  - I hand you what has been marked as Skelly Exhibit 2. Is that a copy of the survey report from Eastman C:1 Well Survey Company showing the surface location and the bottom of the hole location, and the deviation therefrom?
    - That is correct, it does.
    - This well was originally started for a Wolfcamp

or Pennsylvanian producer and was switched to the deviation for the purpose of securing production from the Devonian, is that correct?

- A That is correct.
- Q And you are filing the survey report in compliance with Rule 111 of the general state-wide rules?
  - A That is correct.
- Q Prior to the actual whipstocking of this well, did you not contact the Oil and Gam Conservation Commission and secure permission, subject to the compliance with Rule 111, for such whipstocking?
  - A That was done, yes.

MR. SELINGER: We would like to offer in evidence Skelly's Exhibits 1 and 2. And that is all we have.

COM. SPURRIER: Without objection, they will be admitted. Are there any questions of the witness?

MR. CRAHAM: What is the land status? Who owns that land?

A That is a state lease.

COM. SPURRIER: If there are no further questions, the witness may be excused.

Is there anyone else to be heard in this case? If not, we will take it under advisement and move on to Case 521, which is consolidated with Case 245.

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# BEFORE THE CIL 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. 497 ORDER NO. R-345

THE APPLICATION OF SKELLY OIL COMPANY
FOR AN ORDER GRANTING PERMISSION TO
DIRECTIONALLY DRILL ITS MEXICO 'T' WELL
NO. 1, SE/4 SE/4 NE/4 SECT. 2, TWP. 12
SOUTH, RGE. 32 E, NMPM, FOR REASONS OF GEOLOGIC
IMPLICATION; SAID WELL BORE TO BE DEVIATED TO
THE NORTHWEST TO AN APPROXIMATE POSITION
EQUIVALENT TO A SURFACE LOCATION OF 550'
FROM THE SOUTH AND WEST LINES OF THE SE/4
NE/4 OF SAID SECTION 2 THROUGH NETHODS OF CONTROLLED DIRECTIONAL DRILLING.

#### ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

#### BY THE COMMISSION:

This cause came on regularly for hearing on March 17, 1953, April 16, 1953, and June 16, 1953, before the Oil Conservation Commission of New Mexico, hereinafter referred to as the Commission.

NOW, on this day of July, 1953, the Commission, a quorum being present, having considered the testimony adduced and exhibits introduced, and being fully advised in the premises,

#### FINIS:

- 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 under the circumstances of the case, authority to whipstock or directionally drill the Applicant's Mexico 'T' Well No. 1, SE/4 SE/4 NE/4 of Section 2, Twp. 12 South, Rge. 32 East, NMPN, to bottom in the Devonian formation at a position equivalent to a vertical surface location of approximately 550' from the south and west lines of the SE/4 NE/4 of said Section 2 (2983.48' from south line and 3077.20' from the west line of said Section 2) should be granted as an exception to the limitations of Rule 111 of the Rules and Regulations of the Commission.

### IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

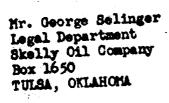
That the application of Skelly Oil Company to whipstock or directionally drill its Mexico 'T' Well No. 1, in the SE/4 SE/4 NE/4 of Section 2, Twp. 12 South, Rge. 32 East, NMPM (East Caprock-Devonian Pool) Lea County, New Mexico, to bottom in the Devonian formation at a position equivalent to a vertical surface location approximating 550' from the south and west lines of the SE/4 NE/4 of Section 2, Twp. 12 South, Rge. 32 East, NMPM (2983.43' from the south and 3077.20' from the west lines of said Section 2) be and the same hereby is approved as an exception to Rule 111 of the Rules and Regulations and the special limitations contained therein.

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

STATE OF NEW NEXICO
OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION
Edwin L. Nechem, Chairman
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Edwin L. Spurmer, Secretary

# OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION P. O. BOX 871 SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

July 21, 1953



Dear Mr. Selinger:

We enclose two signed copies of Order R-345 issued by the Commission in Case 497, heard upon your company's application at the June 16 (and preceding) hearings.

Very truly yours,

W. B. Macey Chief Engineer

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REPORT
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PLAN
of
SUB-SURFACE
COMBINATION
SURVEY

SKELLY OIL COMPANY
MEXICO "T" Nº I

E. CAPROCK FIELD, N. M.

WT-25953 JOB NO. WT-25953A FEBRUARY 10,1953 DATEFEB - MAY, 1953

EASTMAN OIL WELL SURVEY COMPANY

DENVER, COLORADO

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The field data for this survey from readings 131A thru 1514 was obtained by RECORD OF SURVEY

Eastman Oil Survey Co., and is supported by signed field records. The computation and drafting of this report was done under my supervision and is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

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# SKELLY OIL COMPANY

PRODUCTION DEPARTMENT

J. S. FREEMAN VICE PRESIDENT

E. A. JENKINS GENERAL SUPERINTENDENT

TULSA 2.OKLAHOMA

March 10, 1953

W. P. WHITMORE CHIEF PETROLEUM ENGINEER

G. W. SELINGER
PROBATION ATTORNEY
J. H. MCCULLOCH
CHIEF CLERK

Re: Case No. 497

New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission Box 871 Santa Fe, New Mexico

Attention: Mr. Macey

Dear Sir:

Please continue Case No. 497 to the April 16th hearings from March 17, as originally requested.

The well is drilling and will not be completed by March 17th, hence reports could not be filed at the hearing.

GWS: dd

Sealy W. George J. Selinger

# OF The State of MENTINERO

IN The MATTER OF The HEARING, CALLED BY The OIL CONSECUTION COMMISSION OF NEW MEXICO FOR The PURPOSE OF CONSIDERING:

Can 497 Order No. R-345

The Appliention of Struy Oil Company for An Order Grant-ING PERMISSIEN TO DIRECTION ALLY TRILL ITS MEXICO 'T WELL NO. I. SEYSEYNE' SECTION 2. T. 125, R 326 NM PM, for reasons of Goological Implication, And Well Broke to the DEVINTED To the North West to AN Approximate position Equi-VHENT TO A SURFACE LOCATION OF 550 FROM THE South AND West 1 INES OF The SETNEY OF SAID SECTION 2 Through Wethous of Controlled DIRECTION AL DRILLING.

# ORDER OF The COMINISSION.

By The Commission:

This CAUSE CAME ON REGULARLY FOR HEARING,

ON MARCH 17, 1983, APRIL 16, 1953, AND JUNE 16,

1953, Brefore the Oil Conservation Commission

OF NEW MEXICO, WEREIN APTER REFERRED to As the

"Commission"

NOW, ON This \_\_\_\_\_ DAY OF JULY, 1953,
The COMMISSION, A QUORUM BEING PRESENT,
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AND EXMISTS INTRODUCED, AND MEING FULLY ADVISED
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# FINDS

1. That Due Public Motice having BEEN GIVEN AS PEQUIRED BY LAW, The CONTINISSION has JURIS DICTION OF This CAUSE MIND THE SUPSECT MATTER TheREOF.

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That Unmer the Circumstances of The CASE, Authority to Whipstock or DIPECTIONALLY DRILL The Applicants Mexico TWELL 16:1, SE'SE'NE" of Section 2. T. 125.R. 32 E NAPM, To Bottom IN The DEVONIAN FORMATION AT A POSITION VENTICAL OF APPROXIMATELY EQUIVALENT TO AVOURFACE LOCATIONY 550 FROM The South AND WEST LINES OF THE SE4 NE 4 OF SAID SECTION 2. (2983. 48 FROM SOUTH LINE AND 3077. 20 FROM THE WEST LINE OF SAID SECTION 2) ShowLA BE GRANTER AS AN EXCEPTIONATIVE /imitations of Rule 111, of The Rules AND Regulations of The Commission.

# IT is There FORE ORDERED

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## BEFORE THE OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION SAMPA FE. NEW MEXICO

April 16, 1953

CASE 497 - Application of Skelly Oil Company for permission to drill directionally its Mexice T-1 Well, SE SE Section 2, Township 128, Range 32E, NAPH, said well-bore to be deviated to the west to a pesition equivalent to a surface location of 550's from South and East lines of Section 2 through methods of controlled directional drilling.

MR. SELINGER: George W. Selinger representing Skelly Oil Company. This well is still in process of being drilled and we would like to have that case set ever to the June 16th hearing. I might also point out that the description of this notice, although our application is correct, is incorrect to the extent that the Mexico T-1 well is lecated in the approximate center of the SE SE NE of Section 2. The notice inadvertently left out the ME.

MR. WHITE: The application is correct?

MR. SPURRIER! Is there any objection to grant the motion to continue MR. SELINGER: Tes.

MR. SELINGER: Mr. Spurrier. I might also say that the metice is also the case until the June 16th hearing? incorrect as to its being 550 feet from the South and East lines of Section 2. That is met correct. It is going to be 550 feet from the Scuth and Mast lines of the lease which is to be from the HE quarter of Section 2. The metice/imdicates that it shall be 550 feet from the South and Mast lines of the MR

MR. SPURRIER: How does that come out as to distance from the Section quarter of Section 2.

MR. SELINGER: Let me see ---

MR. SPURRIER: I thought you had it.

MR. SELIMIER: No.

lines?

MR. SPURRIER: That's all right.

MR. SELINGER: The well will be 770' from the East line and 2,090' from the North line of Section 2.

MR. SPURRIER: If there are no objections, the Commission will centimue the case until June 16th. The next case on the docket is 522.

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I hereby certify that the foregoing and attached transcript of hearing in the Case 497 before the Oil Conservation Commission on April 16, 1953, at Santa Fe, is a true record of the same to the best of my knowledge, skill and ability.

DATED at Santa Fe, this 28th day of April, 1953.

Audrey M. Borrickson

My cemmission expires September 20, 1965.

## SKELLY OIL COMPANY

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Box 38

Hobbs, New Mexico

February 12, 1953

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Case 497

Ref: Skelly Oil Company
Mexico "T" #1
2-12-32
330' FEL & 2330' FNL

New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission Box 871 Santa Fe, New Mexico

ATTENTION: Mr. R. R. Spurrier, State Geologist

Dear Sir:

In reference to our telephone conversation of February 11, 1953, concerning the directional drilling of Skelly Oil Company's Mexico "T" No. 1 well in the East Caprock Field, further details are hereby submitted.

This well is located 330' from each the East and South lines of the 40-acre unit. The Wolfcamp formation was tested in this well at 8300' and found to be non-productive, making it desirable to extend the well to the Devonian pay at approximately 11,100' in an attempt to make a commercial producer from which both Skelly Oil Company and the State of New Mexico may expect to profit.

From information obtained from the wells already drilled in this field, our geological department is convinced that a fault of early Pennsylvanian age is present between the Jake L. Hammon, Chambers No. 1 well, a diagonal south-east offset to our well, and the producing wells in the field. To avoid this fault, our well must be completed as near the southwest corner of the unit as possible.

This well is being drilled on an expired State of New Mexico lease, making it impossible for a new well to be started in the desired location in the southwest corner of the unit. Therefore, in order to minimize the risk of drilling a dry hole in the Devonian pay, we are requesting permission to direct the well bore to a position equivalent to a surface location of 550' from both the south and west lines of the unit.

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N.M. Oil Conservation Commission ATTENTION: Mr. R. R. Spurrier

Through the use of Eastman Well Survey Company's methods of controlled directional drilling, this well will not, at any point, be closer than 330' to any unit line. We plan to set a cement plug and whipstock at approximately 82501, where the well survey indicates the well bore to be 32' west and 7' north of the surface location. At this depth the hole is in gage and in excellent shape to permit the best possible point to establish a new direction by whipstocking.

We are asking Mr. Selinger, from our Tulsa office, to file for a hearing on this work.

Very truly yours,

SKELLY OIL COMPANY

J. N. Dunlavey

JND/MEC/ab

cc: Mr. G. W. Selinger Skelly Oil Company Tulsa, Oklahoma



Case 497

## **SKELLY OIL COMPANY**

PRODUCTION DEPARTMENT

J. S. FREEMAN VICE PRESIDENT

E. A. JENKINS GENERAL SUPERINTENDENT

**TULSA 2, OKLAHOMA** 

February 16, 1953

Re: Mexico "T" Well No. 1 Section 2-12S-32E Lea County, New Mexico

Mr. R. R. Spurrier New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission Box 871 Santa Fe, New Mexico

Dear Sir:

Confirming the telephone conversation of February 11 from our Mr. Dunlayey and copy of his letter of February 12 with respect to deviating from vertical beyond the present restriction of Rule 111, we respectfully request temporary approval on this well which is now being drilled so that there will be no loss of time while the tools are on location, pending a hearing which we are herewith requesting for formal approval by the New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission.

The well is located 330' from each the east and south lines of the 40 acre unit. The Wolfcamp formation was tested in this well at 8300' and found to be non-productive, making it necessary for us to continue drilling this well to the Devonian at approximately 11,100'. There is some geological consideration in deviating the well to the west to a position equivalent to a surface location of 550' north of the south line and 550' east of the west line of the unit. Through the use of Eastman Well Survey methods of controlled directional drilling, this well will not at any point be closer than 330' to our unit line. We are setting cement plug and whipstock at approximately 8250', where the well survey indicates the well bore to be 32' west and 7' north of the surface location, or 337' north of the south line and 362' west of the east line of our unit.

Therefore, formal approval in compliance with Rule 111 of the statewide rules is requested for completion of the well off the normal vertical line.

Stary W Silvign George W. Selinger

cc: Mr. Dunlavey

W. P. WHITMORE
CHIEF PETROLEUM ENGINEER

G. W. SELINGER PRORATION ATTORNEY

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GWS: dd



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CHIEF PETROLEUM ENGINEER
G. W. SELINGER
PRORATION ATTORNEY

March 2, 1953

J. H. MCCULLOCH CHIEF CLERK

Re: Mexico "T" Well No. 1 Section 2-12S-32E Lea County, New Mexico

Mr. R. R. Spurrier New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission Box 871 Santa Fe, New Mexico

Dear Sir:

Supplementing our letter of February 16, we wish to advise that the formal hearing when called should be called for the April 16th hearings rather than the March 17th hearings, since the drilling and compilation of the reports will not be ready for the March 17th hearing.

Therefore, please do not call the hearing on this matter until the April 16th hearings.

GWS: dd

cc: Mr. Dunlavey

OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO.

March 6, 1953

Hr. George Selinger, Proration Attorney Skelly Oil Company Tulsa 2 - Oklahoma

Dear Mr. Selinger:

We have your letter of March 2 with regard to your desire to schedule the hearing on your Mexico "T" Well No. 1 for the April 16 hearing rather than for March 17 as originally requested.

Unfortunately our legal notices had already been distributed when your letter arrived, so the case has been advertised. If you are present for the hearing, you may of course request postponement, or, if you do not plan to be in Santa Fe, written request will suffice. It is set up as Case 497.

Very truly yours,

W. B. Macey Chief Engineer

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