

Case No.

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Application, Transcript,  
Small Exhibits, Etc.

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. 578  
Order No. R-381

THE APPLICATION OF THE OIL CONSERVATION  
COMMISSION UPON ITS OWN MOTION FOR AN  
ORDER REVISING RULE 1105 OF SECTION 'M',  
REPORTS, OF THE COMMISSION'S RULES AND  
REGULATIONS.

ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

BY THE COMMISSION:

This cause came on for hearing at 9 o'clock a.m. on September 17, 1953, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before the New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission, hereinafter referred to as the "Commission."

NOW, on this 15<sup>th</sup> day of October, 1953, the Commission, a quorum being present, having considered the testimony adduced at the hearing, and being fully advised in the premises,

FINDS:

(1) That due notice of hearing having been given as required by law, the Commission has jurisdiction of this cause.

(2) That Rule 1105 of the official Rules and Regulations relating to miscellaneous notices should be revised and clarified.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

That Rule 1105 of Section 'M' of the official Rules and Regulations of the Commission be, and the same hereby is amended to read as follows:

RULE 1105. MISCELLANEOUS NOTICES.

Form C-102, 'Miscellaneous Notices,' shall be filed by the operator in triplicate and approval obtained from the District Office of the Commission before starting operations leading to:

1. A change in drilling plans,
2. Plugging a well,
3. Temporary abandonment of a well, or
4. Remedial work, such as, plugging back, drilling deeper, acidizing, squeezing operations, formation fracturing, setting a liner, gun perforating or other similar operations not specifically covered herein.

Form C-102 shall not be required to cover the operations described in Item 4 above for new wells in the process of completion.

In the case of well-plugging operations, the notice shall give a detailed statement of the proposed work, including length and depth of plugs,

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plans for mudding, cementing, shooting, testing and removing casing; and the date of the proposed plugging operations. Before plugging any well, the owner shall give notice to all adjoining lessees and representatives of such adjoining lessees may be present to witness the plugging, if they so desire, but plugging shall not be delayed because of inability to deliver notice to adjoining lessees. Failure to file notice before plugging shall constitute grounds for forfeiture of bond. If not previously filed, a complete log of the well on Form C-105 shall accompany the notice of intention to plug the well.

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

STATE OF NEW MEXICO  
OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION



EDWIN L. MECHEM, Chairman



E. S. WALKER, Member



R. R. SPURRER, Member and Secretary

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BEFORE THE  
OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION  
STATE OF NEW MEXICO

Santa Fe, New Mexico  
September 17, 1953

In the Matter of:

The application of the Oil Conservation  
Commission of New Mexico upon its own  
motion for an order revising Rule 1105  
of Section M, Reports, of the Commissions  
Rules and Regulations.

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TRANSCRIPT OF HEARING

(Notice of Publication read by Mr. Graham)

Mr. MACEY: I have an Exhibit to introduce in this case.

(Exhibit I marked for identification)

The sole purpose of the proposed change is to do away with the necessity for an operator to notify the Commission that he is going to run pipe or to do any normal operation in connection with the drilling of a well insofar as it pertains to workover purposes. He is still required to file the necessary information.

We cannot see any reason that when an operator files a C-101, that he change it. He should turn around and submit a report and tell us he is going to do the same thing that he was going to do when he started.

MR. SPURRIER: Is there any objection?

MR. ARNOLD: They are going to be working them over from now on as far as cleaning them out is concerned.

MR. MACEY: There is no need to do anything. It is strictly a clean-out job and that is normal procedure on deepening or plugging back, they have to file a form.

MR. SPURRIER: Any other comment in this case?

MR. STANLEY: I concur with Mr. Macey. Usually the work is completed before the forms are signed and therefore creates extra work on the part of the operator and part of the Commission.

MR. PORTER: We might add Mr. Spurrier, that at the time that the Committee worked on the revision of the series of rules, this thing was discussed and we had one order on what we are talking about now that the forms would not be required on the routine operation of a well, however some of the oil companies require them to whether we say so or not, on minor tests.

Q. MR. PORTER: If the operator deviates forms, plans his casing plan on his 101, would he be required to file a revision?

A. MR. MACEY: He is supposed to file a revision if there is a change in his drilling plan.

MR. SPURRIER: If there is nothing further, we will take the case under advisement and move on to Case 591.

C E R T I F I C A T E

I, Virginia M. Chavez, hereby certify that the above and foregoing transcript of proceedings in Case 578, taken before the Oil Conservation Commission on September 17, 1953, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, is a true and correct record, to the best of my knowledge, skill and ability.

Done at Santa Fe, New Mexico this 24th day of October, 1953.

Virginia M. Chavez  
Notary Public

My Commission Expires:  
August 8, 1956

~~Order~~  
~~Case~~  
Case One Cons Comm

In re: Hearing etc

Re: Application of C.C.  
on our motion for an Order  
reversing Rule 1105 (Sec M.  
Reports - & Official Rules  
& Regulations

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Order R-381

Order of The Comm.

By the Comm

This case came on for hearing  
This 17th day of September, 1953 before the  
New Mexico Oil Conservation Comm hereafter  
referred to as "the Commission".

Now on this — day of October 1953. The Commission,  
a quorum being present, having considered the  
testimony adduced at the hearing, and being  
fully advised in the premises.

FINDS

(1) Due notice of hearing having been  
given in compliance with laws the Commission  
has jurisdiction of this case.

(2) That Rule 1105, of the Official Rules  
and Regulations relating to Miscellaneous  
Matters should be revised and amended.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED <sup>M</sup> That  
Rule 1105 of Section (A) of the Official  
Rules & Regulations of the Commission  
Be, AND the SAME here by is amended  
to read as follows:

CASE NO. 578: Application of the Commission to revise Rule  
1105 pertaining to the filing of Form C-102.

Hearing Date: September 17 1953

Recommendation: It is recommended that the rule be changed in accordance  
with the proposed revision.

W. B. MACEY  
Chief Engineer

Date: October 5, 1953

Legal Notice OCC Hearing

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Publication:

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CASE 578 :

In the matter of application of the Oil Conservation  
Commission of New Mexico upon its own motion for an order  
revising Rule 1105 of Section M, Reports, of the Commission's  
Rules and Regulations.

CASE NO. 578 - REVISION OF RULE 1105.

PRESENT RULE

"RULE 1105. MISCELLANEOUS NOTICES.

Form C-102, 'Miscellaneous Notices,' shall be filed by the operator in TRIPLICATE, with the District Office of the Commission, and approval obtained from the District Office of the Commission before starting operations leading to a proposed change in drilling plan, before plugging a well, before squeezing operations are begun, before gun perforating, before temporarily abandoning well, before plugging back, before acidizing, before drilling to a greater depth than indicated on Form C-101 before setting a liner, before shooting with nitroglycerin, and before starting any other similar operations not specifically covered herein. A copy of this notice giving decision of the Commission will be returned to the owner.

In the case of well-plugging operations, the notice shall give a detailed statement of the proposed work, including length and depth of plugs, plans for mudding, cementing, shooting, testing and removing casing; and the date of the proposed plugging operations. Before plugging any well, the owner shall give notice to all adjoining lessees and representatives of such adjoining lessees may be present to witness the plugging, if they so desire, but plugging shall not be delayed because of inability to deliver notice to adjoining lessees. Failure to file notice before plugging shall constitute grounds for forfeiture of bond. If not previously filed, a complete log of the well on Form C-105 shall accompany the notice of intention to plug the well."

PROPOSED REVISION

RULE 1105. MISCELLANEOUS NOTICES.

Form C-102, 'Miscellaneous Notices,' shall be filed by the operator in triplicate and approval obtained from the District Office of the Commission before starting operations leading to:

1. A change in drilling plans,
2. Plugging a well,
3. Temporary abandonment of a well, or
4. Remedial work, such as, plugging back, drilling deeper, acidizing, squeezing operations, formation fracturing, setting a liner, gun perforating or other similar operations not specifically covered herein.

Form C-102 shall not be required to cover the operations described in item 4 above for new wells in the process of completion.

In the case of well-plugging operations, the notice shall give a detailed statement of the proposed work, including length and depth of plugs, plans for mudding, cementing, shooting, testing and removing casing; and the date of the proposed plugging operations. Before plugging any well, the owner shall give notice to all adjoining lessees and representatives of such adjoining lessees may be present to witness the plugging, if they so desire, but plugging shall not be delayed because of inability to deliver notice to adjoining lessees. Failure to file notice before plugging shall constitute grounds for forfeiture of bond. If not previously filed, a complete log of the well on Form C-105 shall accompany the notice of intention to plug the well.

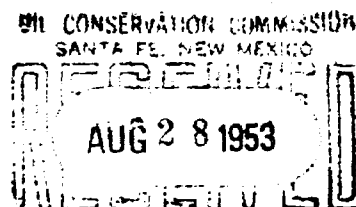


RULE 1109, MISCELLANEOUS NOTICES (Proposed Revision)

FORM C-102 "Miscellaneous Notices" shall be filed by the operator in triplicate and approval obtained from the District Office of the Commission before starting operations leading to:

1. A change in drilling plans,
2. Plugging ~~A~~ well
3. Temporary abandonment ~~of~~ A well, or
4. Remedial work, such as, plugging back, drilling deeper, acidizing, squeezing operations, formation fracturing, setting a liner, gun perforating or other similar operations not specifically covered herein.

Form C-102 shall not be required to cover the operations described in item 4 above for new wells in the process of completion.



CASE No. 578 — Revision of Rule 1105.

PRESENT RULE

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PROPOSED Revision

Rule 1105. Miscellaneous Notices

New Mexico  
OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

GOVERNOR EDWIN L. MECHAM  
CHAIRMAN  
LAND COMMISSIONER E.S. WALKER  
MEMBER  
STATE GEOLOGIST R.R. SPURRIER  
SECRETARY AND DIRECTOR



P. O. BOX 2045  
HOBBS, NEW MEXICO

August 27, 1953

Oil Conservation Commission  
Mr. W. B. Mecey  
Box 371  
Santa Fe, New Mexico

Dear Bill:

In accordance with your suggestion in our telephone conversation yesterday I have written a proposed revision of the first paragraph of Rule 1105 which has to do with the filing of form C-102. I found the rewriting of this rule a little more difficult than I had anticipated and in all probability you may wish to make changes in the proposal which I am submitting.

The main purpose of the revision is to eliminate the requirement for filing form C-102 in connection with routine operations which are covered by other forms on drilling wells. I believe this is accomplished in the proposed revision.

Yours very truly,

OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

*A. L. Porter, Jr.*  
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Promotion Manager

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