CASE 1112: Continental Oil Co. application for 480 acre NS gas proration unit, W/2, W/2 E/2 Sec. 15-20S-37E, Britt "B-15" Well #3.

Case Mo. 112. Replication, Transcript, Smill 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 THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONSIDERING:

> CASE NO. 1112 Order No. R-907

THE APPLICATION OF CONTINENTAL OIL COMPANY FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A 480-ACRE NON-STANDARD GAS PRORATION UNIT IN THE EUMONT GAS POOL, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

BY THE COMMISSION:

This cause came on for hearing at 9 o'clock a.m. on July 25, 1956, at Hobbs, New Mexico, before Daniel S. Nutter, Examiner duly appointed by the Oil Conservation Commission of New Mexico, hereinafter referred to as the "Commission," in accordance with Rule 1214 of the Commission Rules and Regulations.

NOW, on this 26^{40} day of October, 1956, the Commission, a quorum being present, having considered the application, the evidence adduced, the recommendations of the Examiner, Daniel S. Nutter, and being fully advised in the premises,

FINDS:

(1) That due notice of the time and place of hearing and the purpose thereof having been given as required by law, the Commission has jurisdiction of this case and the subject matter thereof.

(2) That the applicant is the operator of the Britt "B-15" Well No. 3, located 1986 feet from the South line and 330 feet from the West line of Section 15, Township 20 South, Range 37 East, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico.

(3) That a 320-acre non-standard gas provation unit consisting of the W/2 of said Section 15 is presently dedicated to the aforesaid well.

(4) That the applicant in this cause seeks to dedicate an additional 160 acres consisting of the W/2 E/2 of said Section 15 to said well and thereby form a 480-acre non-standard gas provation unit.

(5) That the applicant has failed to show that the said Britt "B-15" Well No. 3 would adequately drain the additional acreage.

(6) That Amerada Petroleum Corporation entered an appearance in this case and objected to the approval of the subject application.

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(7) That an increase in allowable for applicant's Britt "B-15" Well No. 3 would, as a result of its 330 foot location, cause undue drainage of the Amerada Petroleum Corporation lease "hich offsets said well to the West.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

That the application of Continental Oil Company for an order establishing a 480-acre non-standard gas proration unit in the Eumont Gas Pool consisting of the W/2 and the W/2 E/2 of Section 15, Township 20 South, Range 37 East, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico, be and the same is hereby <u>denied</u>.

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

STATE OF NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

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SUBJECT:

Mr. E. L. Shafer - Hobbs, New Mexico BACK-PRESSURE TEST - BRITT B-15 NO. 3

The subject well was andginally completed as an oil well Hovember 17, 1938 at a total depth of 3836', for an initial potential of 216 barrels oil and 1836 MCF gas per day. The well tested 26 barrels oil and 8 barrels water per day with a gas-oil ratio of 105,211 onbic feet per barrel on October 27, 1942. The well was shut in Novembar 1, 1942 and remained shut-in webil consencement of workover opera-Mons.

On December 8, 1949 after perforating the Queen sand, the woll was recompleted as a gas well for an initial potential of 5,550 MCF supet gas per day, based on an 8 hour back-pressure test. This tack-pressure test was made to determine the theoretical open flow capacity of the well at sero bottom-bole pressure and the deliverability of the well at various well-head pressures.

Attached are curves representing the calculated open-flow potential and deliverability and a chart tabulating the data obtained by this test.

A summery of the results obtained during this test are as follows:

Colculated Open-Flow Potential 25% of Potential Deliverability at 600 pai Deliverability at 150 pai 6,550 MCF 1,637.5 MCF 4,733 HCF app. open flow

G.P. M., H2S, and Acid Gas Content are not available at the

present time.

/s/ L. D. Alston L. D. ALSTON Gas Tester New Mexico District West Texas-New Mexico Division Freduction Department

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SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

October 31, 1956

Mr. Jason Kellahin P. O. Box 597 Santa Fe, New Mexico

Dear Sir:

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On behalf of your client, Continental Oil Company, we enclose two copies of Order R-907 issued October 26, 1956, by the Oil Conservation Commission in Case No. 1112, which was heard on July 25, 1956.

Very truly yours,

A. L. Porter, Jr. Secretary-Director

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01 Deven 10/8/12 to Deven 10/8/12 OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO Date 10/5/56 Hearing Date 7/25/56 CASE as follows: My recommendations for an order in the above numbered cases are Two Tennal Enter an order danging this application per 480 acres. "my reasons!" The wree is located 1980' FSL of the unit and only 330' FWL of the Unit. Order R-520, while it may not necessary be perfect, was wise in making certain restrictions on the amount of acreage that may be granted a well adminis tratively when the weel is crowding its tract boundary. These restrictions may to administration approvals but exceptions by hearing also. Mayimum acreage that may be assigned to a well to located 660-1980 is only 320 acres, whereas This were is only 330-1980 and reeks 480 acres.

another factor worthy of Consideration in this case is the abjection of Amerada

OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

1112 (cont) CASE Hearing Date My recommendations for an order in the above numbered cases are as follows: sert The assignment of a 4807 allowable to 40 a weel appetting their acreage by only 330 feet. If the epplication is demed Could have a wree, Britt B-15 No 8, located in the NW/4 of the SE/K of See. 15, TZOS, R37E, which is I located structurally tolicat? t a Eumoul gas Weel should This weel caned be dualled Heat possifie be plugged back when it is no longer proor ductive in the Microwent Poal and assigned 160 acres consisting of the W12 of the E/2 of Sec 1502 320 acres. Consisting of the W12 of the E/2 and the E/2 of the E/2 of section 15. These two tracts would have to be communitiged to effect such a unit, but Could have an interest in both of the tracts and showed be ase to regotiate such a community without too much difficulty.

DEFORE THE Oil Conservation Commission Santa Fe. New Mexico July 25, 1950 IN THE MATTER OF: CASE NO. 1112

TRANSCRIPT OF PROCEEDINGS

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BEFORE THE OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION HOBBS, NEW MEXICO JULY 25, 1950

IN THE MATTER OF:

CASE 1112: Application of Continental Gil Company for approval of a non-standard gas promation unit in the Eumont Gas Pool in exception to Rule 5 (a) of the Special Rules and Regulations for the Eumont Gas Pool as set forth in Order R-520. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order authorizing a 480 acre non-standard gas promation unit in the Eumont Gas Pool composed of the M/2 and M/2 of the E/2 of Section 15, Township 20 South, Range 37 East, Lea County, New Mexico; said unit to be dedicated to applicant's Britt "B-15" Well No. 3 located 1980 feet from the South line and 330 feet from the West line of said Section 15.

BEFORE:

Mr. Daniel S. Nutter, Examiner.

PROCEEDINGS

MR. NUTTER: The next case on the docket is 1112.

MR. GURLEY: Application of Continental Oil Company for approval of a non-standard gas proration unit in the Eumont Gas Pool in exception to Rule 5 (a) of the Special Rules and Regulations for the Eumont Gas Pool as set forth in Order R-520.

(Witness sworn.)

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E. V. BOYNTON,

a witness on behalf of the applicant, having been first duly sworn on oath, testified as follows:

DIRECT EXAMINATION

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	State you name, please. A. E. V. Boynton.	
	Are you the same A. V. Dornton who testified in cases 1110	
	and 1111? A I and.	
	LR. KALLAHIN: Are the witness' qualifications acceptable,	
	ir, Braminer?	
	MR. NUTTER: They are.	
	Q Are you familiar with the application in Case 1112, Mr.	
	Boynton? A Yes, sir.	
	Q What is proposed to be done in that application?	
	A It is proposed to increase the present 320 acre proration	
<i>.</i>	unit to 430 acres.	-
	Q To what well would that then be dedicated?	
	A To the No. 3.	
	Q Britt "B-15" Well No. 3? A That is correct.	
	Q Now, have you prepared an exhibit showing the ownership of t	he
	proposed unit?	
	A I have. It is an ownership structure contoured on top of th	e
	Yates Formation.	
	Q Exhibit No. 1?	
	A Exhibit No. 1, Case 1112. It shows the present proration	
	unit outlined with the red dash line and proposed outlined with a	
	solid line; subject well is encircled with red and offset proratio	181
	units outlined in green, with offset gas wells encircled in green.	
	Q Where is the Britt "B-15" No. 3 located?	
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A 330 feet from the Most line and 1980 feet from the South Line, Section 19, County, New Mexico. 9 Is there any other producing gas wells on the acreage which is proposed to be included in the acreage?

A No other producing, no.

Q Is there any other producing gas wells in that section?

A No, sir.

Q Is there any reason, Mr. Boynton, that it is not practical to create a unit of the E/2, E/2 and N/2 of the E/2?

A There is no -- the E/2 of the E/2 of that section is included in the Southeast Monument Unit; would be extremely difficult to communitize the E/2 of Section 15.

Q For that reason, you propose to include the M/2 of the E/2 in the expanded unit, is that correct? A That is correct. Q Now, does Exhibit No. 1 show the structure contours of any formation? A It does.

Q What is that?

A On top of the Yates Formation.

Q Now, would you describe briefly the offsetting units and acreage dedicated to them? Is that on Exhibit No. 1?

A It is., Continental owns the acreage to the north and east and to the southeast of the proposed unit. In Section 14, we have 320 acres assigned to the Skaggs "B-14" No. 1. Amerada owns the 160 acres immediately west of the well, and Stanolind offsets the well to the south and southwest.

apply for a 430 unit; what would that include?

A West half of Section U_1 , 20S, 37E, and E/2 of the E/2 of Séction 15.

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Q And at which time, if that were approved and this were approved, all that acreage there would be then included within a unit?

A No.

A Yes.

Q Is it at the present time?

Q Now, have you recently completed any wells offsetting this acreage? A Yes, sir.

Q With what results, Mr. Boynton?

A We recently completed the Skaggs "B-14" No. 1 east of the subject well, and the Britt "B-10" No. 3, which is northeast; those wells were completed for about 4,000,000.00 cubic feet of gas per day.

Q How do they compare to the Britt "B-15" No. 3 Well?

A It is approximately the same.

Q On that basis, is it reasonable to assume that all of the acreage which you propose to dedicate to the Britt "B-15" No. 3 Well is productive of gas? A It is.

Q Did you say those wells are approximately the same on structure?

A I didn't say that. I said the producing interval was approximately the same.

Q I will restate my question, then. How does the completion

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	epth of those wells compare with regards to structure?	
	A The Britt "B-15" No. 3 Well is considerably higher than any	
	f the recent completions, approximately 75 to 100 feet.	
	G How many?	
	A Seventy-five to one nundred feet.	
	Q Higher on the structure? A Yes.	
	Q On that basis, you would then assume that the acreage is	
	productive of gas? A That's right, yes.	
	Q Now, you have available a radioactive log of the Britt "B-15"	
	No. 3 Well?	
	A I do. I have a reproduction of the radioactive log.	
-	Q Is that marked as Exhibit No. 2?	
	A Exhibit No. 2, prepared under my supervision, and it is es-	
	sentially the same as the original log; shows the top of the various	\$
	Cormations, completion interval of the Britt "B-15" No. 3.	
÷	Q What is the interval of total production?	
	A It's 3390 to 3590.	
	Q Is that wholly within the vertical limits of the Eumont Gas	
	Pool? A It is.	
	Q Now, you have a record on the deliverability of the No. 3 We	11?
	A I do, yes, sir.	
5.	Q Is that marked as Exhibit No. 3? A Yes, sir.	
	Q Case 1112; and what does that show?	
	A It shows that the deliverability at the time the well was	
	completed was 5,000,000.00 5,500,000.00, and at 500 pounds, it	

would deliver as the sole of any.

Q On the basis of that report, in the event the 430 sere mit, were granted, could the well make its allowable?

A It can, yes.

Q Were all of the Exhibits, 1, 2 and 3, prepared by you or under your direction and supervision?

A Exhibits Nos. 1 and 2 were prepared under my direction; No. 3 was prepared in 1949, but I believe it to be essentially correct.

- Q That was prepared prior to your being located here?

A Yes, sir.

Q Is that a report which ordinarily is kept in the course of business of Continental Oil Company? A Yes, it is.

Q Taken from the files of the company here?

A That is correct.

MR. KELLAHIN: We offer in evidence Exhibits 1, 2, and 3 in Case 1112.

MR. NUTTER: Is there any objections to the introduction of these exhibits in this case? If not, they will be received.

MR. KELLAHIN: That is all the questions I have of the witness. BY MR. NUTTER:

Q Mr. Boynton, what did you say the E/2 of the E/2 of that is dedicated to?

A It isn't dedicated at the present.

Q Didn't you say it belonged to some Monument --

A Southeast Monument. This is some which we operate for ourselves

and three partners.

Q And this well that is in the SW/4 of Section 14, what neveage is dedicated to 11.

A At present 10 In 320 deres.

Q The M/. of Section 14? A That's correct.

Q That is meine to leave the E/2 of that Section without dedication to any well, isu't it?

A Well, no, sir. We have applied for the E/2 of the E/2 of the Section to be assigned to the well in Section 14.

Q I see. Another thing, when you mentioned the perforated interval, as shown on the log, Exhibit No. 2, I think you said 3390 to 3590?

A That is approximate depth, yes, sir -- oh, I beg your pardon. About 3370.

Q To 3585?

A That's right.

MR. NUTTER: Does anyone else have any questions of the witness?

BY MR. REEDER:

Q Mr. Boynton, I don't believe I understood your answer to the question of the reason for this unit creation, or the increase in the size of this unit from its present 320 acres to the proposed 490 acres.

A The reason for the increasing the acreage is to increase the allowable of the well.

Q You believe it will drain the acreage to be dedicated to it?

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	A I think so, yes.	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •
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-	A I don't see how they can if they keep their wells to the top	
	allowable; as long as they are willing to produce at the top allow-	
	able, they get their fair share of the gas.	
• • • • • •	Q. Is there a gas well draining State acreage in the NE/4 of	
	Section 16?	
	A I don't believe there is.	
	BY MR. GURLEY:	
	Q Isn't it a fact, Mr. Boynton, that it will be forcing the	
	people that own the NE/4 of Section 15 to drill a gas well in order	
	to obtain their fair share of the gas?	
• •	A Well, no more than they are already forced.	
10 <u>-</u>	Q In other words, you think they would have been forced on the	
	original granting of the 320 in the same manner?	
	A I think so.	
	Q Except that now you are getting 480 acres, if this is allowe	, (,
;	480 acre allowable, where you were just drawing 320?	
· .	A That is true.	ĺ
	Q A little more force in this case? A Increased force.	
	MR. NUTTER: Does this well presently have a pipeline connec	 +
	tion?	
	A That's right.	
	MR. NUTTER: It is over produced?	
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MR. NUTTEN: Does anyone then have any further questions of the witness?

BY MR. KELLAHIN:

Q Mr. Boynton, in response to a question by Mr. Redder, you said the reason for asking for the increase was to increase the allowable; there is a further reason in regards to the problems of communitization of the E/2 of that Section?

A Well, we have no well to assign the W/2 of the E/2 of that Section, and it would remain undedicated.

Q And would there be any difficulty in communitizing the W/2 of the E/2 and the E/2 of the E/2? A Yes, sir, there would.

Q Because of this -- A Southeast Monument.

Q -- Southeast Montheont Unit? A Yes, sir.

Q In regards to this question of dividingle, Mr. Boynton, you presently have 32C acres dedicated to the well; how long has that A Since provation.

3. In your opinion, is that formation sufficiently porous that

anyone that produce the top oblowable, they will produce their fair there without drainers t

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A I believe that to be true.

TR. GULLET: In response to in. Kellahin's question, what you mean if anyone world produce their wells at top allowable?

MR. RELLANTE: Do you want me to explain it:

MR. GURLEY: Yes. I didn't understand your question.

NR. KELLAHIN: I asked him if the formation was of such a nature that anyone who produces will get their fair share according to the acreage.

MR. NUTTER: In other words, are most of the wells in the area top allowable wells for their acreage?

MR. KELLAHIN: That was the way you understood the question, was it not, Mr. Boynton?

A That is true.

MR. KELLAHIN: And that was the basis for your answer?

A Yes.

MR. NUTTER: Does anyone else have any further questions of the witness in this case?

MR. KELLAHIN: I will now offer the exhibits.

MR. NUTTER: The record will show that if there is no objection the exhibits will be accepted.

Is there anything further in this case?

MR. ABBOTT: M. G. Abbott, Amerada Petroleum Corporation. <u>Me object to this proposed increase in acreage from 320 to 430</u>

acres; we have the state lease west of this, offsetting this No. 3 Well. Their well is 330 feet from our leaseline, and we feel that Rule R-5... should be the guidance in this, which says the maximum acres for a well in this location should be 320 acres.

A., NUTTER: Is there any further statements to be made by anyone? If not, we will take the case under advisement.

STATE OF NEW MEXICO) : ss COUNTY OF BERNALILLO)

I, THURMAN J. MOODY, Notary Public in and for the County of Bernalillo, State of New Mexico. do hereby certify that the foregoing and attached Transcript of Proceedings was reported by me in stenotype and later reduced to typewritten transcript by me and/or under my personal supervision, and that same is a true and correct transcript to the best of my knowledge, skill and ability.

WITNESS MY HAND AND SEAL, this, the 7th day of August, 1956, in the City of Albuquerque, County of Bernalillo, State of New Mexico.

Notary Public

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My Commission Expires: April 3, 1960.

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BEFORE THE OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION DEVICE AND ALL OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF CONTINENTAL OIL COMPANY FOR APPROVAL OF A 480-ACRE NON-STANDARD GAS PRORATION UNIT CONSISTING OF W/2 AND W/2 E/2 SECTION 15 T203, R37E, NMPM, LFA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO FOR ITS BRITT B-15 WELL NO. 3 IN THE EUMONT POOL

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<u>A P P L I C A T I O N</u>

Comes now applicant, Continental Oil Company and positions the Commission for an order approving a non-standard gas proration unit consisting of the W/2 and W/2 E/2, Section 15, T2OS, R37E, NMPM, Eumont Gas Pool, Lea County, New Mexico, to be allocated to its Britt B-15 well No. 3, located 1980 feet from the South line and 330 feet from the West line of said Section 15, and in support thereof would show:

 That applicant is part owner and is the operator of the Britt "B" lease consisting of, among other lands, Section 15, T20S, R37E, Lea County, New Mexico.

2. That applicant drilled and completed on November 17, 1938 its well No. 3 on the said lease as an oil well producing from the Grayburg formation at a location 1980 feet from the South line and 330 feet from the West line of said Section 15.

3. That said well was subsequently plugged back to the Queen formation and recompleted as a gas well within the vertical and horizontal limits of the Eumont gas pool as presently defined.

4. That the Commission by Order No. NSP-124 approved a nonstandard unit of 320 acres size consisting of the W/2 of said Section 15 for the said well.

5. That the E/2 E/2 of said section is within the boundaries of the S. E. Monument Unit and will be allocated to another gas well.

6. That the W/2 E/2 of said section has no producing gas well and is contiguous to the W/2 of said section and has common ownership therewith.

7. That is would be impractical to communitize the W/2 E/2

of said section with other lands or to drill a well for producing the gas under the W/2 E/2 of said section.

6. That failure to allocate said acreage to a gas well will impair the correlative rights of parties owning interests therein and would result in waste or conflictation of gas under said acreage.

Wherefore, applicant respectfully prays that this application be set for hearing before the Commission's duly appointed examiner in Hobbs, New Mexico after due notice and that upon hearing an order be entered approving the non-standard gas proration unit described above.

> Respectfully submitted CONTINENTAL OIL COMPANY

L. ADAMS R.

Division Superintendent of Production New Mexico Division



scale: 1" - 2,000"

LEGEND

Proposed Gas Well Proposed Gas Unit