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Application, Transcript, 5 mill Exhibits, Etc.

## APPLICATION REPORT THE OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MEN MEXICO

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF SHELLY	· ,
OIL COMPANY FOR AN EXCEPTION TO HILE 104	CASE NO.
OF THE STATISTICS RULES AND RECULATIONS AS	
AMENDED BY ORDER NO. R-855 IN SO FAR AS IT	
APPLIES TO ITS JICARILLA MRM NO. 2 WELL	
SECTION 31, TOWNSHIP 25 HORTH, RANGE 5 WEST,	
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#### APPLICATION

Comes now Skelly Oil Company and alleges and states:

- l. That it is a producer and operator of gas wells in Township 24 and 25 North, Range: 5 West, Rio Arriba County, New Hexico and more particularly its Jicarilla "B" Lease in Sessions 31 and 32, Township 25 North and Sestions 5 and 6 Township 26 North, both in Range 5 West.
- 2. That ite No. 2 well loogted 990' from the east line and 1590' from the south line of Section 31, Township 25 North, Range 5 West, was enthorized on March 21, 1997, as a gas well and projected to a gas producing horizon provedent in this area, with said well being spudded on April 3, 1997 and completed on or about May 31, 1997, as an oil well.
- 3. That said hale 104, as amended, provides for gas wells to be located 990' from the outer boundaries of 160-acre governmental quarter section with a telement of 200' and should not be drilled closer than 330' to any quarter quarter section or subdivision inner boundary.
- A. That said hale 104, as smended, provides that in the event oil predection is encountered in a well which was projected to a gas producing horizon and which is located according to the above described gas well location rule, but does not excluse to the oil specing of being located not closer than 330° to any quarter querter section line, it shall then be necessary for an eparater to bring the matter to a hearing.
- 5. That applicant come all of Section 5 and 6, Tourship 24 North, Runge 5 West, and all of Section 51 and 52, Tourship 25 North, Runge 5 North and that said well in toward the conter of applicants correspond to the extent that no other parties either effecting or in the vicinity would be adversely affected.
- 6. That the greating of this application would be in the interest of congression.

William againest prays that this Commission set this matter down for bearing, after the giving of notice as required by law, and issue such crises, rules and regulations as may be necessary in the presides after exid bearing.

Respectfully sebuitted

(Signed)	GEORGE	Ŧ.	SELINGER
By			

In the matter of the application of Thely aix company for opprove though il well location in an undesignated oil pul ail pool in Tio Priba County, New Mysico is exception to Rule 104 of the Commission Rules and Rus. app. in the about styled cause seeke ar order authorizing an unathology sil well location in an underignated oil pad pita Jisailla "B" well No. 2 located 1590 f5L and 990 f & L of Sec. 31, T-25-N, R-5-W, Rio Orrita County. Said well with gar well location mules but was found to be production of sil.

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REQUEST IS MADE FOR APPLICATION ORDER NO. RE885, CASE

NO. 1104 AMENDING RULE 104 OF THE STATEWIDE RULES

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HEARING NECESSARY. JTCARTILLA "B"=

THE COMPANY WILL APPRECIATE SUGGESTIONS FROM ITS PATRONS CONCERNING ITS SERVICE

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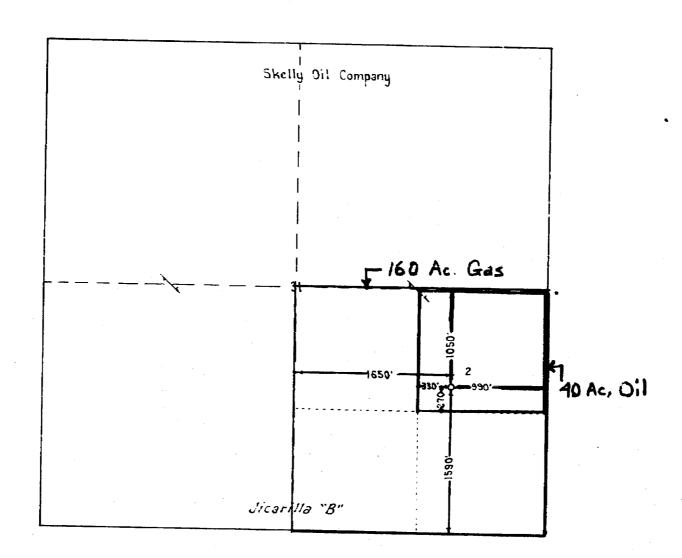
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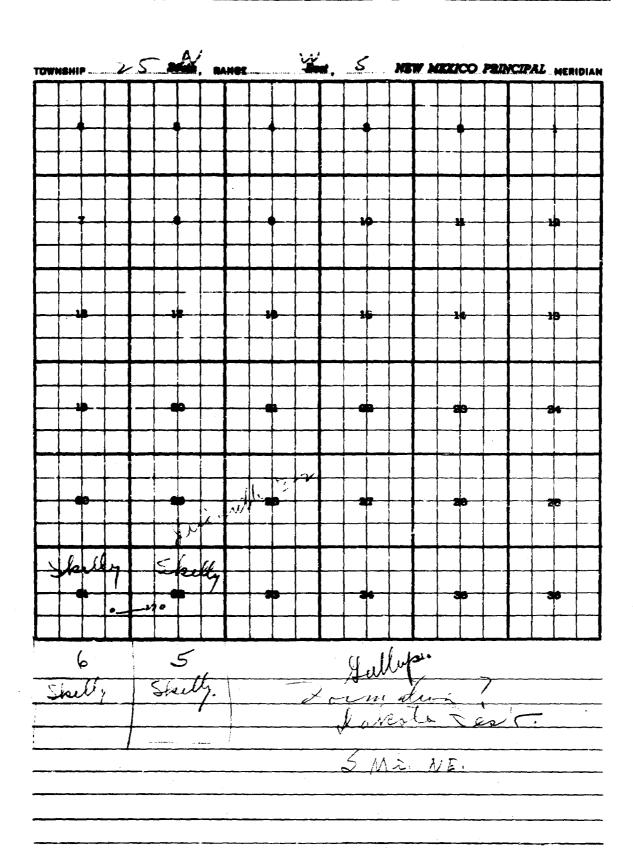
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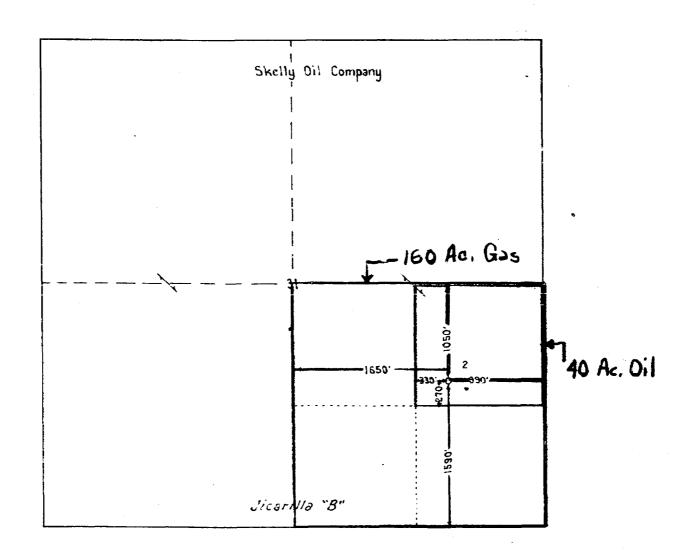
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#### OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

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Mr 011 0

Dear Mr. Gesport

This letter will serve as notice of cancellation of Para 0-110 espected by this effice June 20, 1957 for the Skelly Oil Company of Jiourilla "F".

This well, leasted 1590 feet from the south line and 990 feet from the east line Section 31-255-30 does not agree with paragraph (b) sub-paragraph 1 of the Order 8-655 which states that a wildcat oil well shall not be lessed closer than 330 feet to any boundary line of the 40-acre drilling block

A copy of Order N-055 is enclosed for your convenience and appropriate

If an ear be of assistance, please let us know.

Yours very truly

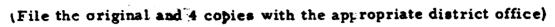
A. R. Kendrick Engineer, District #3

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## NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO





## CERTIFICATE OF COMPLIANCE AND AUTHORIZATION TO TRANSPORT OIL

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## SKELLY OIL COMPANY

PRODUCTION DEPARTMENT
C. L. BLACKSHER, MANAGER

**TULSA 2, OKLAHOMA** 

June 26, 1957

Mr. A. L. Porter, Jr. New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission State Capitol Santa Fe, New Mexico

Dear Sir:

This is to confirm our telegram sent to you as of this date, in which we seek an exception to Rule 104 to a well which was projected to a gas producing horizon in the area, but, unexpectedly completed as an oil well necessitating exception to the well spacing requirements of Rule 104.

Attached hereto is an original and three copies of application and although the nearest other operator would be approximately a mile or more from our location, the nearest operators are Southern Union, Superior, Gulf, Malco, Southern Petroleum and Petroleum Atlas.

As expressed in our telegram, we trust that this matter can be set for hearing on July 17. If you are unable to have this matter set for this date, if it could be set for an examiners hearing on or about July 26, same would be next best.

Yours very truly,

George/W. Selinger

GWS:dc

cc: Mr. P. E. Cosper

## APPLICATION BEFORE THE OIL CONSERVATION CONMISSION OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF SKELLY OIL COMPANY FOR AN EXCEPTION TO BULE 104. OF THE STATEMIDE BULES AND REGULATIONS AS AMENDED BY ORDER NO. R-855 IN SO FAR AS IT APPLIES TO ITS JICARILLA WEW NO. 2 WELL SECTION 31, TOWNSHIP 25 WORTH, RANGE 5 WEST. RIO ARRIBA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

CASE	NO	1281
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#### APPLICATION

Comes now Skelly 011 Company and alleges and states:

- l. That it is a producer and operator of gas wells in Township 24 and 25 North, Range 5 West, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico and more particularly its Jicarilla "B" Lease in Sections 31 and 32, Township 25 North and Sections 5 and 6 Township 24 North, both in Range 5 West.
- 2. That its No. 2 well located 990° from the east line and 1590° from the south line of Section 31, Township 25 North, Range 5 West, was authorized on March 21, 1957, as a gas well and projected to a gas producing horizon prevalent in this area, with said well being spudded on April 3, 1957 and completed on or about May 31, 1957, as an oil well.
- 3. That said Rule 104, as amended, provides for gas wells to be located 990' from the outer boundaries of 160-acre governmental quarter section with a tolerance of 200' and should not be drilled closer than 330' to any quarter quarter section or subdivision immer boundary.
- 4. That said Rule 104, as amended, provides that in the event oil production is encountered in a well which was projected to a gas producing horizon and which is located according to the above described gas well location rule, but does not conform to the oil spacing of being located not closer than 330° to any quarter quarter section line, it shall then be necessary for an operator to bring the matter to a hearing.
- 5. That applicant owns all of Section 5 and 6, Township 24 North, Range 5 West, and all of Section 31 and 32, Township 25 North, Range 5 West and that said well is toward the center of applicants acreage to the extent that no other parties either offsetting or in the vicinity would be adversely affected.
- 6. That the granting of this application would be in the interest of conservation.

WHEREFORE, applicant prays that this Commission set this matter down for hearing, after the giving of notice as required by law, and issue such orders, rules and regulations as may be necessary in the premises after said hearing.

Respectfully submitted

Jary W Selinger

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	Date
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My recommendations for an order	er in the above numbered cases are as follows:
That the opplicants	application to granted
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Staff Member

#### DOCKET: REGULAR HEARING JULY 17, 1957

#### Oil Conservation Commission 9 a.m., Mabry Hall, State Capitol, Santa Fe, NM

ALLOWABLE:

- (1) Consideration of the oil allowable for August, 1957.
- (2) Consideration of the allowable production of gas for August, 1957, from the seven prorated pools in Lea County, New Mexico; also consideration of the allowable production of gas from the six prorated pools in San Juan and Rio Arriba Counties, New Mexico, for August, 1957.

CASE 1275:

Application of Shell Oil Company for an exception to Rule 309 of the Commission Rules and Regulations to permit the transportation of oil from the basic lease prior to measurement, and to produce more than eight wells into a central plant, and to commingle production from the participating area of the Carson Unit with production from other wells in the area. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order authorizing off-lease measurement of oil produced from the Bisti-Lower Gallup Oil Pool and an undesignated Lower Gallup Oil Poel in Township 25 North, Range 11 West, and Township 25 North, Range 12 West, San Juan County, New Mexico, by means of an autematic custody transfer system; and to authorize the production of more than eight wells into a central testing and measuring plant and further, to authorize the commingling of non-participating area production with participating area preduction in the Carson Unit, with royalty payments to be calculated by means of periodic production rate tests.

CASE 1276:

Application of Amerada Petroleum Corporation for an order amending Order No. R-991 insofar as said order pertains to the Bagley-Lower Pennsylvanian Gas Pool, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order amending Order No. R-991 to extend the horizontal limits of the Bagley-Lower Pennsylvanian Gas Pool to include the S/2 Section 34, Township 11 South, Range 33 East, and the NE/4 Section 3, Township 12 South, Range 33 East, Lea County, New Mexico, and to increase the size of the standard drilling unit for said pool from 160 acres to 320 acres and to enter such other rules and regulations for said pool as the Commission may deem necessary.

CASE 1277:

Application of the Oil Conservation Commission at the request of Wilson Oil Company for an order establishing a new oil pool with special pool rules in the Potash-Oil Area, Lea County, New Mexico, in accordance with Section 3, Paragraph III, of Order R-Ill-A. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order creating a new oil pool in the area of Wilson Oil Company's recently completed oil well located in the NE/4 NE/4 Section 21, Township 20 South, Range 34 East, Lea County, New Mexico; and for the promulgation of special pool rules to govern future drilling in said pool in order to afford adequate protection for the potash deposits in the area.

CASE 1278:

In the matter of the hearing called by the Oil Conservation Commission upon its own motion to permit Roy T. Short and the Hartford Accident and Indemnity Company and all other interested parties to appear and show cause why the Roy T. Short, et al, Millard Eidsen No. B-3 Well located in the SW/4 SE/4 of Section 26, Township 16 South, Range 35 East, in the Shoe Bar Area of Lea County, New Mexico, should not be ordered plugged and abandoned in accordance with the Rules and Regulations of the Oil Conservation Commission of New Mexico.

CASE 1279:

In the matter of the hearing called by the Oil Conservation Commission upon its ewn motion to permit Roy T. Short, M. N. Hamilton, Apache Basin Oil Company, and Basin Oil Company, and all other interested parties to appear and show cause why the hole located 660 feet from the South and West lines of Section 25, Township 16 South, Range 35 East, Lea County, New Mexico, should not be ordered plugged and abandoned in accordance with the Rules and Regulations of the Oil Conservation Commission of New Mexico.

CASE 1280:

Application of Sunray Mid-Continent Oil Company for an order authorizing a pilot secondary recovery project in the Bisti-Lower Gallup Oil Pool in exception to Rule 701 of the Commission Rules and Regulations. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order authorizing it to drill and operate a well at a point five feet southeast of the northwest corner of Section 6, Township 25 North, Range 12 West, San Juan County, New Mexico, for the injection of liquified petroleum gases and dry gas into the Lower Gallup formation of the Bisti-Lower Gallup Oil Pool for the purpose of secondary recovery of oil from said pool.

CASE 1281:

Application of Skelly Oil Company for approval of an unorthodex oil well location in an undesignated oil poel in Rio Arriba County, New Mexico, in exception to Rule 104 of the Commission Rules and Regulations. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order authorizing an unorthodox oil well location in an undesignated oil pool for its Jicarilla "B" Well No. 2 located 1590 feet from the South line and 990 feet from the East line of Section 31, Township 25 North, Range 5 West, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico. Said well was projected as a gas well in accordance with the Commission gas well location rules but was found to be productive of oil.

CASE 1282:

Southeastern New Mexico Nomenclature case calling for an order creating new pools and extending and deleting certain areas from existing pools in Eddy and Lea Counties, New Mexico.

(a) Create a new eil peol for Grayburg production, designated as the Teague-Grayburg Peol, and described as:

TOWNSHIP 23 SOUTH, RANGE 37 EAST Section 20: SE/4

(b) Create a new oil pool for Pennsylvanian production, designated as the Kemnitz-Pennsylvanian Pool, and described as:

TOWNSHIP 16 SOUTH, RANGE 33 EAST Section 13: SE/4

(c) Extend the Dollarhide-Drinkard Pool to include:

TOWNSHIP 24 SOUTH, RANGE 38 EAST Section 19: NW/4 Section 20: W/2 SW/4

(d) Extend the Drinkard Pool to include:

TOWNSHIP 22 SOUTH, RANGE 37 EAST Section 27: E/2 NE/4

(e) Extend the Gladiola Pool to include:

TOWNSHIP 12 SOUTH, RANGE 37 EAST Section 25: N/2 NE/4

TOWNSHIP 12 SOUTH, RANGE 38 EAST Section 17: NW/4 Section 18: N/2 NE/4

(f) Extend the North Gladiola-Devonian Pool to include:

TOWNSHIP 11 SOUTH, RANGE 38 EAST Section 32: SE/4

TOWNSHIP 12 SOUTH, RANGE 38 EAST Section 6: SW/4 Section 7: NW/4 Section 8: NW/4

(g) Extend the West Henshaw-Grayburg Poel to include:

TOWNSHIP 16 SOUTH, RANGE 30 EAST Section 4: SE/4 Section 5: SE/4 Section 8: NE/4

(h) Extend the Langlie-Mattix Pool to include:

TOWNSHIP 23 SOUTH, RANGE 36 EAST Section 4: E/2 SE/4

(i) Extend the Pearl-Queen Pool to include:

TOWNSHIP 19 SOUTH, RANGE 35 EAST Section 22: S/2 SE/4

(j) Extend the Townsend-Welfcamp Pool to include:

TOWNSHIP 16 SOUTH, RANGE 36 EAST Section 5: W/2 SW/4

(k) Extend the Terry-Blinebry Pool to include:

TOWNSHIP 21 SOUTH, RANGE 37 EAST Section 3: Let 16 Lot 1 Section 4:

(1) Delete the following area from the Blinebry Gas Pool:

TOWNSHIP 21 SOUTH, RANGE 37 EAST Section 3: Lot 16 Lot 1 Section 4:

CASE 1283: Northwestern New Mexico nomenclature case calling for an order extending existing poels in San Juan and Rio Arriba Counties, New Mexico.

(a) Extend the Aztec-Pictured Cliffs Pool to include:

TOWNSHIP 28 MORTH, RANGE 9 WEST All of Sections 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, & 14 Section 15: E/2 & SW/4 Section 24: All

TOWNSHIP 31 NORTH, RANGE 11 WEST Section 34: All

(b) Extend the Oters-Pictured Cliffs Pool to include:

TOWNSHIP 23 WORTH, RANGE 5 WEST Section 9: E/2 Section 16: N/2

TOWNSHIP 24 MORTH, RANGE 5 WEST Section 13: SV/4
Section 14: S/2
Section 21: NE/4
Section 22: N/2 & SE/4 All of Sections 23, 24, & 25

Section 31: S/2

(c) Extend the South Blanco-Pictured Cliffs Pool to include;

TOWNSHIP 24 NORTH, RANGE 4 WEST Section 5: W/2 1/2

TOWNSHIP 27 NORTH, RANGE 8 WEST Section 4: All

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(d) Extend the Blanco-Mesaverde Pool to include:

TOWNSHIP 28 NORTH, RANGE 9 WEST Section 32: All

(e) Extend the Bisti-Lewer Gallup Oil Pool to include:

TOWNSHIP 26 NORTH, RANGE 13 WEST Section 35: NW/4

(f) Extend the Verde-Gallup Oil Pool to include:

TOWNSHIP 31 NORTH, RANGE 14 WEST Section 18: All

TOWNSHIP 31 NORTH, RANGE 15 WEST Section 13: N/2

#### CONTINUED CASES

- Application of the Oil Conservation Commission on its own metion for an order amending Commission Order R-586 insofar as it relates to the Byers-Queen and Tubb Gas Pools. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order amending the Special Rules and Regulations for the Tubb Gas Pool to make prevision in said rules for the regulation of oil wells completed within the defined limits of said pool; and further to consider the deletion of that portion of Order R-586 relating to the Byers-Queen Gas Pool.
- Application of Gulf Oil Corporation and Western Oil Fields, Inc., for an order force peoling certain acreage in the Blinebry and Tubb Gas Pools, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicants, in the above-styled cause, seek an order force pooling the interests of all persons having any right, title or interest in the Blinebry and Tubb formations underlying the SW/4 Section 30, Township 22 South, Range 38 East, Lea County, New Mexico.
- Application of Gulf Oil Corporation and Western Oil Fields, Inc., for an order force poeling certain acreage in the Blinebry and Tubb Gas Poels, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicants, in the above-styled cause, seek an order force pooling the interest of all persons having any right, title or interest in the Blinebry and Tubb formations underlying the SE/4 Section 30, Tewnship 22 South, Range 38 East, Lea County, New Mexico.
- CASE 1263:

  Application of Gulf Oil Corporation and Western Oil Fields,
  Inc., for an order force peoling certain acreage in the
  Blinebry and Tubb Gas Poels, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicants,
  in the above-styled cause, seek an order force peoling the
  interests of all persons having any right, title or interest
  in the Blinebry and Tubb formations underlying the NE/4 Section 25, Township 22 South, Range 37 East, Lea County, New
  Mexico.

Docket No. 21-57

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CASE 1265:

Application of R. Olsen Oil Company for an order force pooling certain acreage in the Justis Gas Peol, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order force peoling the interests of all persons having any right, title or interest in the Glorieta formation of the Justis Gas Pool underlying the NE/ Section 23, Tewnship 25 South, Range 37 East, Lea County, New Mexico.

EXHIBIT II

JICARILLA "B" No. 2 WEST

SECTION 31-25 NORTH-5 ESST

RIO ARRIBA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

SCALE I"=1000'

SEFORE THE
OIL CONS. ANTA FE, NEW MEXICO
SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO
SELLES EXHIBIT No. 22

CASE 1/2 7

Skelly 0i! Company

160 Ac. Gas

1550 310 2 2 40 Ac. Oil

# BEFORE THE OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO July 17, 1957

IN THE MATTER OF:

Case 1281

TRANSCRIPT OF PROCEEDINGS

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#### IN THE MATTER OF:

Application of Skelly Oil Company for approval of an unorthodex oil well location in an undesignated oil pool in Rio Arriba County, New Mexico, in exception to Rule 104 of the Commission) Case 1281 Rules and Regulations. Applicant, in the above styled cause, seeks an order authorizing an unorthodox oil well location in an undesignated oil pool for its Jicarilla "B" Well No. 2 located 1590 feet from the South line and 990 feet from the East line of Section 31, Township 25 North, Range 5 West, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico. Said well was projected as a gas well in accordance with the Commission gas well location rules but was found to be productive of oil.

#### BEFORE:

Mr. Murray Morgan Mr. A. L. Porter Governor Edwin L. Mechem

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MR. PORTER: We will take up next Case 1281.

MR. COOLEY: Case 1281. Application of Skelly Oil Company for approval of an unorthodox oil well location in an undesignated oil pool in Rio Arriba County, New Mexico, in exception to Rule 104 of the Commission Rules and Regulations.

MR. SELINGER: George Selinger for Skelly Oil Company. We have one witness.

(Witness sworn.)

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a witness, of lawful age, having been first duly sworn on oath, testified as follows:

#### DIRECT EXAMINATION

#### By MR. SELINGER:

- Q State your name.
- A J. R. Teel.
- Q You are with Skelly Oil Company?
- A Yes, sir.
- Q In what capacity?
- A Petroleum Engineer.
- Q Mr. Teel, have you testified before the New Mexico Commission?
- A No, I have not.
- Q Are you a graduate of an accredited school of engineering?
- A Graduate of the University of Oklahoma, 1950, School of Petroleum Engineering.
  - Q Have you practiced your profession since?
  - A Yes, I have.
  - Q Have you testified before other State regulatory bodies?
  - A Yes, sir.
- Q Are you familiar in a general way with the Skelly Oil Company operations in and about Township 25 North, Range 5 West, in Section 31, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico?
  - A Yes, I am.
  - Q Are you familiar with the recent completion of the Skelly

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Oil Company Jicarille "D" No. 2 well in section 31?

- A Yes.
- Q That well was originally projected and drilled for the production of gas, was it not?
  - A That is correct.
  - Q And the well was completed for oil?
  - A Completed as an oil well.
  - Q In what formation?
  - A In the Gallup formation.

(Skelly Oil Company's Exhibit
No. 1 marked for identification)

- Q As indicated by Exhibit No. 1, where is the Jicarilla "B" No. 2 well?
- A Jicarilla "B" No. 2 well is located in the southeast quarter Section 31, Township 25 North, Range 5 West, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico.
- Q And that well was drilled for production of gas under Rule 104. is that correct?
- A That is correct. It was projected to the Dakota to test the Dakota sand.
- Q All the wells in and about that area have all been completed as gas wells, have they not?
- A Practically all of the wells in this area have been completed as gas wells.
  - Q Where is the nearest oil well, how many miles?

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- A Approximately tive miles to the northeast.
- Q So that you had no reason to feel that you were going to complete the well as an oil well, in view of the results of the other wells drilled in the area, is that correct?
  - A Would you repeat the question, please?
- Q So you had no indication that you would complete the well as an oil well, based on the results of the completed wells in and about that area?
  - A We had no anticipation of oil production at that location.
- Q Very briefly, the well is off the 330 required distance for oil wells from the quarter quarter section line, is that correct, as an oil well?
  - A Yes, sir, that is correct.
  - Q And it is only 270 feet, rather than 330?
  - A Rather than the required 330, that is correct.

(Skelly Oil Company's Exhibit No. 2 marked for identification.)

- Q I will hand you what has been marked as Exhibit 2. Does that indicate the location of the oil well on that 160 acres with particular reference to the quarter quarter section line?
- A It gives the location of the well with reference to the outside boundaries of the section line, with reference to the inside boundaries of the quarter quarter section line.
- MR. SELINGER: I believe that is all we have. We would like to offer in evidence Exhibits 1 and 2.

MR. PORTER: Without objection they will be received.

(Skelly Oil Company's Exhibits 1 & 2 received in evidence.)

MR. PORTER: Anyone have a question? Mr. Cooley.

#### CROSS EXAMINATION

#### By MR. COOLEY:

- Q How many acres are dedicated to this well, Mr. Teel?
- A Forty acres, I believe.
- Q Does Skelly own all the working interest in that?
- A Yes, sir.

MR. COOLEY: That is all.

MR. SELINGER: All that indicated on Exhibit 1 in yellow is all one base lease.

MR. PORTER: Any other questions? If not, the witness may be excused.

(Witness excused.)

MR. PORTER: Do you have anything further to offer, Mr. Selinger?

MR. SELINGER: That is all.

MR. PORTER: Anyone else have anything further in this case? We will take the case under advisement and recess until one P.M.

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STATE OF NEW MEXICO ) secounty of Bernalillo )

I, MARIANNA MEIER, Notary Public in and for the County of Bernalillo, State of New Mexico, do hereby certify that the foregoing and attached Transcript of Proceedings before the New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission was reported by me in stenotype and reduced to typewritten transcript under my personal supervision, and that the same is a true and correct record to the best of my knowledge, skill and ability.

witness my Hand and Seal this 3/day of , 1957 in the City of Albuquerque, County of Bernalillo, State of New Mexico.

Marianne Meier NOTARY PUBLIC

My commission expires: April 8, 1960.

## 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. 1281 Order No. R-1026

APPLICATION OF SKELLY OIL COMPANY FOR APPROVAL OF AN UNORTHODOX OIL WELL LOCATION IN AN UNDESIGNATED OIL POOL IN RIO ARRIBA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

#### ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

#### BY THE COMMESSION:

This cause came on for hearing at 9 o'clock a.m. on July 17, 1957, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before the Oil Conservation Commission of New Mexico, hereinafter referred to as the "Commission."

NOW, on this 2 day of August, 1957, the Commission, a quorum being present, having considered the application, and the evidence adduced 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 case and the subject matter thereof.
- (2) That the applicant, Skelly Oil Company is the owner of an Indian oil and gas lease, a portion of which consists of the SE/4 of Section 31, Township 25 North, Range 5 West, NMPM, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico.
- (3) That on or about April 3, 1957, the applicant spudded its Jicarilla "B" Well No. 2 as a projected gas well at a point 1590 feet from the South line and 990 feet from the East line of said Section 31, which location is an orthodox gas well location under the provisions of paragraph (b) (2) of Rule 104 of the Commission Rules and Regulations.
- (4) That the above-described Jicarilla "B" Well No. 2 was found to be productive of oil from the Gallup formation, and was completed as an oil well producing from said formation.
- (5) That approval of the unorthodox location of the said Jicarilla "B" No. 2 Well will not cause waste nor impair correlative rights.
- (b) That the denial of this application would impose an undue hardship upon the applicant.

#### IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

That the unorthodox location of the Skelly Oil Company Jicarilla

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"B" No. 2 Well at a point 1590 feet from the South line and 990 feet from the East line of Section 3i, Township 25 South, Range 5 West, NMPM, in an Undesignated Gallup Oil Pool in Rio Arriba County, New Mexico, be and the name is hereby approved.

DONE at Santa Fe, New Mexico, on the day and year herein-above designated.

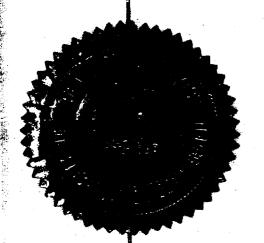
STATE OF NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

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#### DIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION P. D. BOX 871 SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

August 9, 1957

Mr. George Selinger Skelly Oil Company Box 1650

Dear Sir:

Tulsa, Oklahoma

We enclose a copy of Order R-1026 issued August 7, 1957, by the Oil Genservation Commission in Case 1281, which was heard on July 17th at Santa Fe.

Very truly yours,

A. L. Porter, Jr. Socretary - Director

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