

CASE 1644: J. E. Bedingfield application  
for exception to Rule 104 (c) so that he  
may re-enter an old well in Sec. 32-17S-  
28E.

Case No.

1644

Application, Transcript,  
Small Exhibits, Etc.

BEFORE THE  
OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION  
SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

IN THE MATTER OF:

CASE 1644

TRANSCRIPT OF HEARING

APRIL 22, 1959

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BEFORE THE  
CIA CONSERVATION COMMISSION  
SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO  
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IN THE MATTER OF:

CASE 1644 Application of J. E. Bedingfield for an ex-  
ception to Rule 104 (c) of the Commission :  
Rules and Regulations. Applicant, in the :  
above-styled cause, seeks an exception to :  
Rule 104 (c) so that he may re-enter a well :  
located 1980 feet from the South and East :  
lines of Section 32, Township 17 South, :  
Range 28 East, Eddy County, New Mexico, :  
said well being located closer than 660 :  
feet to a producing well. :  
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BEFORE:

Daniel S. Nutter, Examiner.

T R A N S C R I P T    O F    P R O C E E D I N G S

MR. NUTTER: We will take next Case 1644.

MR. PAYNE: Case 1644. Application of J. E. Beding-  
field for an exception to Rule 104 (c) of the Commission Rules and  
Regulations.

MR. PAYNE: Mr. Bedingfield, do you intend to repre-  
sent yourself and be the sole witness?

MR. BEDINGFIELD: I've got to represent myself and  
associates of mine.

(Witness sworn)

J. E. BEDINGFIELD,

called as a witness, having been first duly sworn on oath. Testified as follows:

DIRECT EXAMINATION

BY MR. PAYNE:

Q Will the witness please --

A My hearing is just a little bad and sometimes --

Q Will the witness please state his name and what he is seeking in this application?

A Sir?

Q Your name, please.

A Bedingfield, J. E. Bedingfield.

Q And what do you seek in this application, Mr. Bedingfield?

A Well, the proposal --

Q Yes, sir.

A -- would be to open up an abandoned well in the center of the NW of the SE of Section 32, Township 17 South, Range 26 East; open that up and try to produce it.

Q And that well is located closer than 660 feet to another producing well, is that right?

A Yes, sir.

Q Now, the producing well that you are crowding, is that also yours?

A Yes, sir.

Q You are crowding No. 1 also?

A No, we are not crowding anyone else; same ownership.

Q Do you have anything further you would like to offer to the Examiner to explain what you desire here?

A Well, nothing more than the fact that this old well was drilled in there, and our understanding is that we had some showing in this well; the fact that we got a bad cement job, perhaps, in our 1,32 and didn't get a proper frac job. We would like to open up this old hole and see if we can increase the production on the lease, see...

Q Do you think that if you open up this old hole there is a possibility that you will get more oil ultimately?

A I think so, yes, sir.

MR. PAYNE: I have no further questions.

#### CROSS EXAMINATION

BY MR. NUTTER:

Q Mr. Bedingfield, how many wells are presently completed on this same 40-acre tract?

A Just the one.

Q And what is the location of that well in that 40?

A The location is 1650 feet from the East and 1650 feet from the South line of the section.

Q Do you have a plat that shows the locations?

A I've just got a little plat. I didn't bring anything with me. I just drew it from memory.

Q Do you want to offer that as Exhibit No. 1 in this case?

A Well, I believe so.

MR. NUTTER: We will take this exhibit as Applicant's Exhibit 1 in Case 1644.

(Whereupon, Applicant's Exhibit No. 1 was marked for identification and offered in evidence.)

Q (By Mr. Nutter) Mr. Bedingford, you understand that if you obtain production in this well, that the total allowable for the 40-acre unit will apply to both wells?

A Yes, sir.

MR. NUTTER: Anything further in Case 1644?

Q (By Mr. Nutter) What is the presently existing well capable of producing?

A About five barrels per day, flowing about five barrels per day.

MR. NUTTER: Is there anything further in Case 1644? If not, the witness may be excused, and we will take the case under advisement.

(Witness excused)

STATE OF NEW MEXICO )  
 ) ss  
COUNTY OF BERNALILLO )

I, J. A. Trujillo, 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 by me, 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, the 29<sup>th</sup> day of April, 1959, in the City of Albuquerque, County of Bernalillo, State of New Mexico.

*Joseph A. Trujillo*  
NOTARY PUBLIC

My Commission Expires:

October 5, 1960

I do hereby certify that the foregoing is a complete record of the proceedings in the Examiner hearing on Case No. 1644 heard by me on 7-22, 1959.  
*Samuel H. [Signature]* Examiner  
New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission



J. E. BEDINGFIELD  
Oil Operator and Producer  
ARTESIA, NEW MEXICO  
March 20, 1959

PHONE SH 6-4016

Oil Conservation Commission  
Sante Fe,  
New Mexico

Attention Mr. A. L. Porter:

Dear Sir:

I was talking to Mr. Mose Armstrong sometime ago, in regards to opening up an old hole, that was drilled, plugged and abandoned about 1954. This well was drilled by Kersey & Company, 1980' from the South line and 1980' from the East line in Unit J, Section 32, Township 17S, Range 28E. (This lease was released to E. Jeffers and J. E. Bedingfield about March, 1958,)

Bedingfield and Jeffers drilled a well 1650' from the East line and 1650' from the South line of said Section 32, Township 17S, Range 28E, in which we made a well from the Premier about 1900' which is now making about 5 barrels per day. We drilled this well under the name Burnham Oil Company, which we called State 1-32.

We are desirous of opening up the old Kersey <sup>well</sup> in the center of said Forty, and trying to make a well out of it in the Premier Sand. As Mr. Armstrong advised me, it would be necessary to take this up with you as said wells are closer than 660' together.

So, we will be glad to hear from you at your earliest convenience and of the date that you would like to hold hearing on same, and we will undertake to be present. I am enclosing a small plat herewith showing locations and producing wells adjoining this Forty.

Thanking you for your consideration in this matter, I wish to remain yours respectfully.....

J. E. Bedingfield

JEB:nb

Enclosure

*J. E. Bedingfield*  
*Docket mailed*  
*4-10-59*  
*BT*

DOCKET: EXAMINER HEARING APRIL 22, 1959

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

The following cases will be heard before DANIEL S. NUTTER, Examiner:

- CASE 728: Application of Hamilton Dome Oil Company, Ltd., for an exception to Order R-586-E. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order excepting its Westates Carlson Federal "A" Well No. 1 located in the NW/4 SE/4 of Section 25, Township 25 South, Range 37 East, Lea County, New Mexico, from the requirement in Order R-586-E that wells not within the defined vertical limits of the Justis Gas Pool, as established in said order, be plugged back so as to be open only within the said vertical limits.
- CASE 1641: Application of W. R. Weaver for the promulgation of special rules and regulations governing the Angels Peak-Gallup Oil Pool. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order promulgating special rules and regulations governing the drilling, spacing, and production of oil and gas wells in the Angels Peak-Gallup Oil Pool in San Juan County, New Mexico.
- CASE 1642: Application of Delhi-Taylor Oil Corporation for an amendment to Orders R-60, R-1169, and R-1170. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order amending Orders R-60, R-1169, and R-1170 to change the dedicated acreage in three non-standard gas proration units in Sections 30 and 31, Township 29 North, Range 8 West, San Juan County, New Mexico, based on a resurvey; two of said units are in the Aztec-Pictured Cliffs Pool and one is in the Blanco Mesaverde Pool.
- CASE 1643: Application of El Paso Natural Gas Company for an unorthodox oil well location. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order authorizing an unorthodox oil well location in the Angels Peak-Gallup Oil Pool for its Huerfano Unit Well No. 107 located 1460 feet from the North line and 1180 feet from the West line of Section 35, Township 27 North, Range 10 West, San Juan County, New Mexico.
- CASE 1644: Application of J. E. Bedingfield for an exception to Rule 104 (c) of the Commission Rules and Regulations. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an exception to Rule 104 (c) so that he may re-enter a well located 1980 feet from the South and East lines of Section 32, Township 17 South, Range 28 East, Eddy County, New Mexico, said well being located closer than 660 feet to a producing well.
- CASE 1645: Application of Sinclair Oil & Gas Company for permission to commingle the production from three separate pools. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order authorizing it to commingle the production from the Monument-McKee Gas Pool, the Eunice-Monument Pool, and the Monument-Blaine Pool on its J. R. Phillips "A" Lease consisting of the SW/4 of Section 31, Township 19 South, Range 37 East, Lea County, New Mexico.

- CASE 1646: Application of Amerada Petroleum Corporation for an oil-oil dual completion. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order authorizing the dual completion of its Ida Wimberley Well No. 9 located 1650 feet from the North line and 990 feet from the West line of Section 25, Township 25 South, Range 37 East, Lea County, New Mexico, in such a manner as to permit the production of oil from the Blinebry formation adjacent to the Justis-Blinebry Oil Pool and the production of oil from the Justis-Drinkard Pool through parallel strings of 2-3/8 inch tubing.
- CASE 1647: Application of Olsen Oils, Inc., for a non-standard gas proration unit and an unorthodox gas well location. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order establishing an 80-acre non-standard gas proration unit in the Jalmat Gas Pool consisting of the W/2 NW/4 of Section 28, Township 26 South, Range 37 East, Lea County, New Mexico, said unit to be dedicated to applicant's Gregory "B" Well No. 1 located 2310 feet from the North line and 990 feet from the West line of said Section 28. Applicant further seeks approval for the unorthodox location of said gas well.
- CASE 1648: Application of W. R. Weaver for permission to commingle the production from two separate pools. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order authorizing it to commingle the production from the Angels Peak-Dakota Gas Pool and the Angels Peak-Gallup Oil Pool on its McAdams Lease comprising Section 34, Township 27 North, Range 10 West, San Juan County, New Mexico.
- CASE 1649: Application of Amerada Petroleum Corporation for an oil-oil dual completion. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order authorizing the dual completion of its L. W. Ward Well No. 2 located 1983 feet from the South line and 520 feet from the East line of Section 11, Township 13 South, Range 38 East, Lea County, New Mexico, in such a manner as to permit the production of oil from an undesignated Mississippian pool and the production of oil from the Bronco-Devonian Pool through parallel strings of 2-1/16 inch tubing.
- CASE 1650: Application of Pan American Petroleum Corporation for approval of a unit agreement. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order approving its Martin Ranch Unit Agreement embracing approximately 35,193 acres of federal, state, and patented acreage in Townships 3 and 4 South, Ranges 22 and 23 East, Chaves and DeBaca Counties, New Mexico.

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OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Gas Well Plat

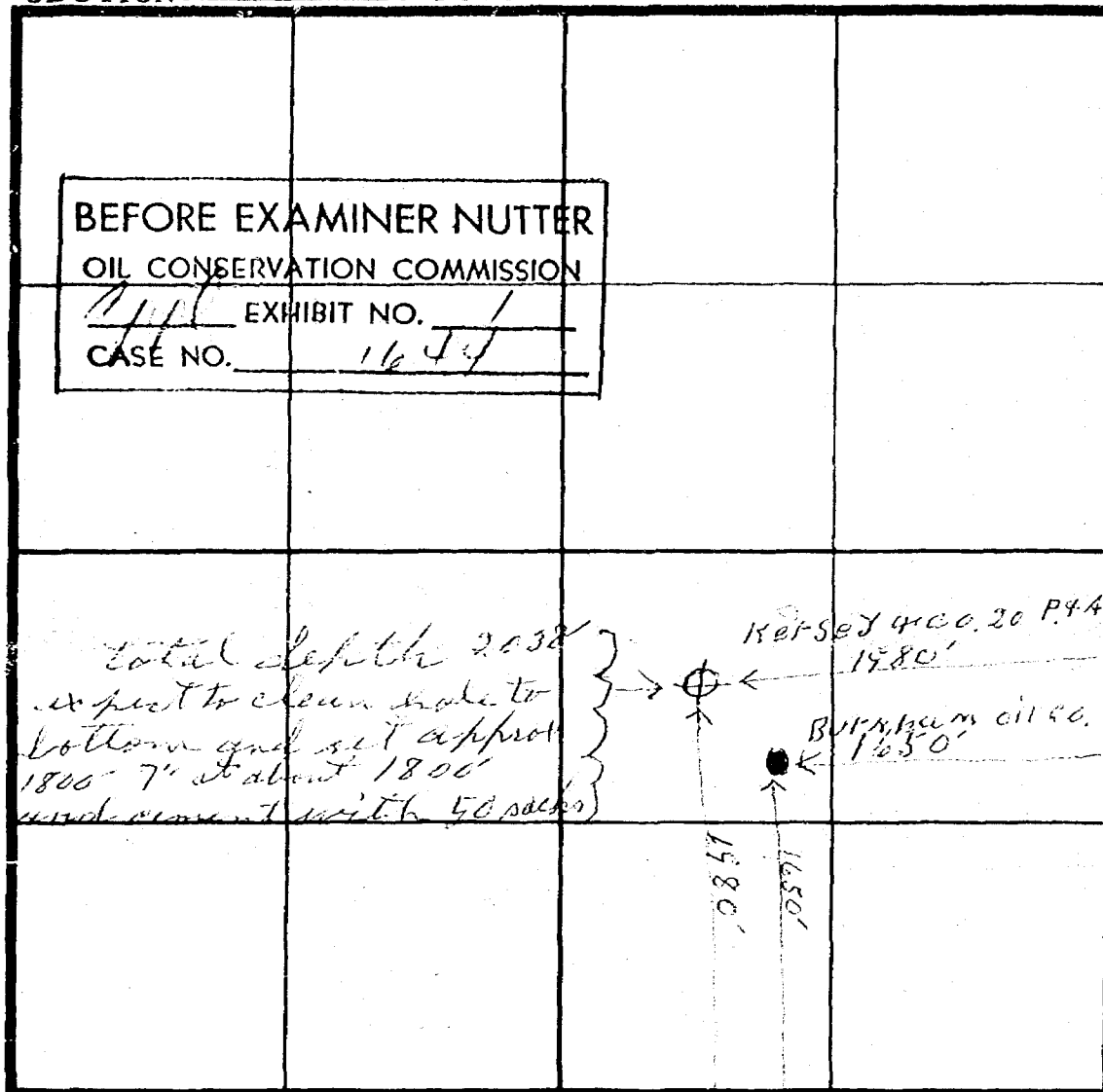
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Burnham Oil Co. 812  
Operator Lease Well No.

Name of Producing Formation Permian Pool Artesia

No. Acres Dedicated to the Well 40

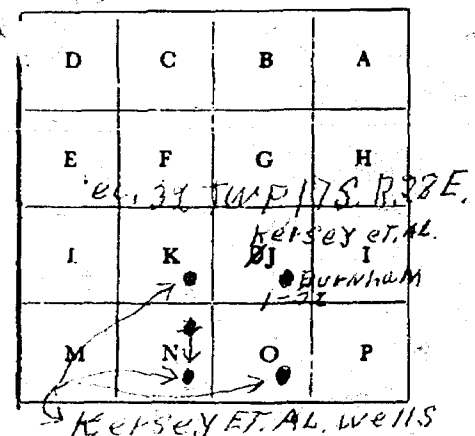
SECTION 7 TOWNSHIP 17S RANGE 28E



I hereby certify that the information given above is true and complete to the best of my knowledge.

Name J.E. Darlingfield  
Position Operator Part Owner  
Representing  
Address Box 563 Artesia

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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. 1644  
Order No. R-1378

APPLICATION OF J. E. BEDINGFIELD FOR  
PERMISSION TO REENTER A WELL WHICH IS  
LOCATED CLOSER THAN 660 FEET TO A  
PRODUCING WELL IN THE RED LAKE POOL,  
EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, IN EXCEPTION  
TO RULE 104 (c) OF THE COMMISSION RULES  
AND REGULATIONS.

ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

BY THE COMMISSION:

This cause came on for hearing at 9 o'clock a.m. on April 22, 1959, at Santa Fe, 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 27<sup>th</sup> day of April, 1959, the Commission, a quorum being present, having considered the application, the evidence adduced and the recommendations of the Examiner, Daniel S. Nutter, 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 cause and the subject matter thereof.

(2) That the applicant, J. E. Bedingfield, is the owner of a plugged and abandoned well known as the Kersey & Company Well No. 20, located 1980 feet from the South line and 1980 feet from the East line of Section 32, Township 17 South, Range 26 East, Red Lake Pool, Eddy County, New Mexico.

(3) That the applicant seeks an exception to Rule 104 (c) of the Commission Rules and Regulations in order to reenter said Kersey & Company Well No. 20, which well is located closer than 660 feet to a producing well on the same 40-acre tract (NW/4 SE/4 of said Section 32).

(4) That in view of the fact that applicant is not crowding the acreage of any offset operator, approval of the subject application will not impair correlative rights.

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Case No. 1644  
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(3) That approval of the subject application will not cause waste.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

That the applicant, J. E. Bedingfield, be and the same is hereby authorized to reenter the Kersey & Company Well No. 20, located 1980 feet from the South line and 1980 feet from the East line of Section 32, Township 17 South, Range 28 East, Red Lake Pool, Eddy County, New Mexico.

PROVIDED HOWEVER, That the total monthly production from all wells on the 40-acre unit (NW/4 SE/4 of said Section 32) shall not exceed a 40-acre allowable for said Red Lake Pool.

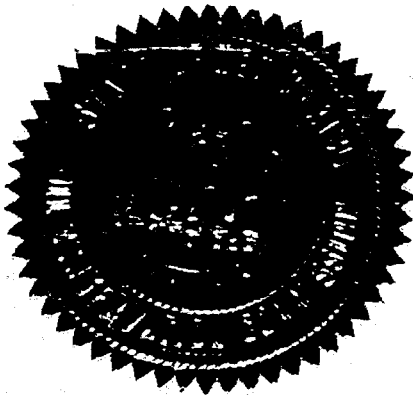
DONE at Santa Fe, New Mexico, on the day and year hereinabove designated.

STATE OF NEW MEXICO  
OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

*John Burroughs*  
JOHN BURROUGHS, Chairman

*Murray E. Morgan*  
MURRAY E. MORGAN, Member

*A. L. Porter, Jr.*  
A. L. PORTER, Jr., Member & Secretary



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OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

P. O. BOX 871

SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

April 27, 1959

Mr. J. E. Bedingfield  
P.O. Box 563  
Artesia, New Mexico

Dear Mr. Bedingfield:

We enclose two copies of Order R-1378 issued April 27, 1959, by the Oil Conservation Commission in Case 1644, which was heard before an examiner at Santa Fe on April 22nd.

Very truly yours,

A. L. Porter, Jr.  
Secretary - Director

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