CASE 2002: Application of RICE Engineering for an order authorizing a salt water disposal well (Skelly State "D" Well #3).

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BEFORE THE
OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION
in the
STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION
HEARING ROOM, BASEMENT
CAPITOL BUILDING
Santa Fe, New Mexico
9:00 A. M.
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EXAMINER HEARING

IN THE MATTER OF:

Application of Rice Engineering & Operating, Inc., for an order authorizing a salt water disposal well. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order authorizing the disposal of produced salt water through its Skelly State "D" Well No. 3, located 2310 feet from the South line and 660 feet from the East line of Section 1, Township 20 South, Range 36 East, Lea County, New Mexico, with injection to be in the lower San Andres formation with the injection interval from 4,450 feet to 4,950 feet.

Case 2002

BEFORE:

Elvis A. Utz, Examiner

TRANSCRIPT OF HEARING

MR. UTZ: Case 2002.

MR. PAYNE: Application of Rice Engineering & Operating, Inc., for an order authorizing a salt water disposal well.

MR. KELLAHIN: My name is Jason Kellahin, Kellahin and Fox, Santa Fe, New Mexico, representing the Applicant. We will have one witness, Mr. Abbott.

(Witness sworn.)

W. G. ABBOTT

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



DIRECT EXAMINATION

BY MR. KELLAHIN:

- Q State your name, please?
- A My name is W. G. Abbott.
- Q By whom are you employed and in what position?
- A I am a Division Manager of Rice Engineering and Operating, Inc., of Hobbs, New Mexico.
- Q Have you testified before this Commission as an expert and had your qualifications accepted?
 - A Yes, sir.
- MR. KELLAHIN: Are the witness' qualifications acceptable?
 - MR. UTZ: Yes, sir, they are.
- Q (BY MR. KELLAHIN) Mr. Abbott, are you familiar with the application which is filed in Case 2002?
 - A Yes, sir.
 - Q Would you state briefly what is proposed?
- A We propose to re-complete a Skelly State "D" No. 3 Well, it's an oil well in the Monument Oil Pool at the present time, which we propose to re-complete as a salt water disposal well.
- Q Referring you to what has been marked as Exhibit No. A, as Exhibit A, would you discuss that Exhibit, please?
- A Yes, sir. Exhibit A is a well plat showing the location of the wells in this immediate area of this proposed salt water disposal well. On this Exhibit A is a circle drawn in a half mile



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radius around the Skelly State "D" No. 3 well and also on this Exhibit A there is a trace of a cross section, a line traced in red.

- Is that further shown by another Exhibit to be presented?
- Yes, sir, that will be brought up later.
- Now, referring to what has been marked as Exhibit B, would you discuss the proposed completion to be made in this well?

Exhibit B is a diagram sketch of the casing program used in the Skelly "D" No. 3 well. The thirteen and three-eighths casing is set at 324 feet and the nine and five-eighths casing is set at 2786, and the five and a half inch casing is set at 7.25. We propose to set a bridge plug in the five and a half inch casing at 5,050 feet. In the open PA zone for disposal, which is in the lower San Andres formation, the interval of 4,450 feet to 4,950 feet.

Now, are you familiar with the cementing program on this well?

- Ä Yes, sir.
- Would you state what that is?

O. K. The thirteen and three-eighths casing was set with 420 sacks and that cement was circulated and the nine and fiveeighths was set at 1500 sacks of dement and the five and a half inch casing was set with--

MR. UTZ: What was the top of the cement on the nine and five-eighths?

Let's see if they recorded that. Nine and five-eighths was circulated with 1500 sacks of cement. The five and a half inch



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Then, Skelly originally made a Monument Paddock completion on this well, so before they did that, they perforated the casing to 9-1/2 inch at 5383. With two holes onlocemented the casing through those perforations with 385 sacks, that brought the top of that cement with that 385 sacks was at 3120, so we feel that the five and a half inch casing is cemented pretty well and will make a gool salt water disposal well.

- Q I understand the cement would extend above the zone which you propose to perforate?
 - A Yes, sir.
 - Q Now, what formation will you perforate in?
- A In the San Andres and the lower part of the San Andres formation.
- Q What bodies of water do you propose to inject into this well, Mr. Abbott?
 - A We propose--the maximum would be 12,000 barrels a day.
 - Q What is the source of the water?
- A The water is coming from the produced wells in that area, the Monument Pay, the Monument Paddock and Blinebry.
- Q What is your opinion of the lower zone of the San Andres, will it take that volume of water?
 - A Yes, sir.
 - Q Is that injection by gravity or under pressure?
 - A Gravity injection.



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O How in you propose to complete this as an injection well?

A Well, we will pun a 4-1/2 inch high inill subing string inside and that 4-1/2 inch tubing string will be plastic lined and then the annular space between the tubing string and that annular space is filled with sweet oil or naptha or kerosene to protect the outside of the tubing string and, also, the inside of the casing string.

Q In your opinion, will that type of completion be adequate protection in the fresh water zone, or any producing horizons which may be encountered in this well?

A Yes, sir, it will.

Q Referring you to what has been marked as Exhibit C, would you discuss that Exhibit?

A Exhibit C is a cross section which is also shown in red, the trace shown in red on Exhibit A. It shows the subject C completion depths of the wells on that cross section and it points out our disposal, proposed disposal well, the interval will be well below the oil pay in this area, in the San Andres.

Q There is some Blinebry production below that interval, is there not?

A Yes, sir, there is some Blinebry and also some Paddock completions below that.

Q In your opinion, is there effective separation between those zones which would protect them against any water encroachment from your well?



- Yes, sir.
- What is the nature of that separation?
- Well, it's mostly formation there, but the Paddock below our proposed formations approximately 400 feet below the bottom of our perforations and the San Andres above it is approximately 600 feet above it.
- Now, referring you to what has been marked as Exhibit D, will you discuss that Exhibit?

Exhibit D is a list of these wells in our half-mile radius of the proposed salt water disposal well. Now, on Exhibit D is shown the well operator and the well numbers, completion interval and completion zone, and any remarks that we could find in the files.

Now, according to that Exhibit, there is production from the San Andres, or at least completions within the San Andres interval, within a half-mile radius of the injection well, is there not?

Yes, sir, right on top of this Monument structure there Α is some well producing from the San Andres, although most of the wells have been plugged back to the Gray burg. You notice on Exhibit D the Amerada State H No. 1 is San Andres, and the Skelly "D" No. 1 is a Grayburg-San Andres completion.

Now, are those wells completed in the same interval into Q which you propose to inject water?

They are quite above where we propose to dispose the



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water.

- Q Would the injection of water at the zone interval which you propose to use, have any adverse effect on the wells completed in the San Andres?
 - A No, I don't think it will have no effect on it.
- Q Were Exhibits A, B, C and D prepared by you or under your direct supervision?
 - A Yes, sir.

MR. KELLAHIN: I would like to offer Exhibits A through D.

MR. UTZ: Without objection, Exhibits A, B, C and D will be accepted into the record.

(Whereupon, Applicant's Exhibits A, B, C and D were received in evidence.)

MR. KELLAHIN: Those are all the questions I have, Mr. Utz.

- Q (BY MR. UTZ) Mr. Abbott, I believe you said that the top of the cement after the squeeze job was at 5383, was 3126 on the 5-1/2 inch?
 - A (BY THE WITNESS) Yes, sir, I believe that is right.
 - Q And, the nine and five-eighths shoes were at 2786?
 - A Yes.
- Q That leaves a 340 foot area which is not protected by cement. Do you know what operator offsets that section?
 - A That is probably Yates, 7 Rivers, and part of the Queen.



- Q Is that productive in this area?
- A It's productive of gas, yes, sir.
- Q However, you have a 4-1/2 inch string of high drill, a sweet oil between the 5-1/2 inch annulus and high drill?
 - A Yes, sir.
- Q Do you think that will adequately protect this zone that is not protected by cement?

A We feel that is a good completion. We used this annular blanket, which floats on the water level, and we put a pressure gauge on the tubing casing annulus so we will have a record at all times what the pressure is on that annular space, and if any leaks develop we notice them immediately. We think that is a good method of completing our wells.

- Q I think you possibly said, I don't recall offhand, when was this well completed?
 - A This well was completed on July 19, 1949.
 - Q So the 5-1/2 inch casing is about eleven years old?
- A Yes. We propose on our work over to test the casing with 2,000 pounds after we set the bridge plug and before we do any perforating.
- Q All right. And, your injection zone is at what interval, now, 4950?
 - A Yes.
 - Q 4950?
 - A Yes.



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- A Yes.
- Q And, do you feel that 2,000 pounds is enough test?
- A Yes, we believe we will never have any pressure zones that great on the casing.
 - Q You will have the injection zone, won't you?
- A Yes, we will. This 2,000 pounds will be applied at the surface, which will give us 4,000 pounds at the bottom of the pipe.
 - Q Do you test with the hole full of water?
 - A Yes, sir.
 - MR. UTZ: Any other questions of the witness?
- Q (BY MR. PAYNE) Mr. Abbott, is this well presently producing?
- A Yes, sir, it's presently producing from the Monument-Abo pay.
 - Q Do you know approximately how many barrels it's producing?
- A No, I don't. Skelly said it was uneconomical to operate.

 I think it's down to two or three barrels a day, something like that.
- Q There is an adjacent Monument-Abo well which might be able to produce whatever oil is left in this zone?
- A I don't know about that. This Monument-Abo pay is a very poor pay. It's the only well that was completed in this area, to my knowledge, and none of the Abo completions have ever paid out.



Is it uneconomical to produce the well because it makes considerable amounts of water?

It isn't making any water, it's a flowing well. I think it's fairly high ratio and low bottom hole pressure, not very much there.

- I see. Now, are you relying on something like the bridge plug to protect the Blinebry and Paddock formations?
- Yes, sir, we plan to set this bridge plug and then dump a couple of sacks of cement on top of it.
- (BY MR. UTZ) How much pressure do you think that will hold?
 - Well, all we will be putting in the well.
- (BY MR. PAYNE) Do you know how much production the Q. Amerada State H well is making from the San Andres?
 - The Amerada State H, which one?
 - The Amerada State H No. 1.
 - No, sir. I believe it's a top-allowable well.
- I take it from your testimony you feel that the San Andres has separate zones which have no communication between them.
- Well, I would say that I think there is communication, but I feel there has been so much oil and gas and water taken out of the reservoir that one is disposing back in the base of it. I don't think there will be any interference or cause any damage to the reservoir.
 - Might actually improve it?



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Yes, it could.

And, this pressure test you are going to take, you are going to do that prior to perforation?

Yes, sir.

MR. PAYNE: That is all, thank you.

MR. UTZ: Any other questions?

MR. PORTER: I have one question and it doesn't have any bearing on the case. How much water are you disposing of right now through, in your entire EME system?

(BY THE WITNESS) It varies from day to day, but it will be 32,000 to 35,000 barrels a day.

MR. PORTER: Thanks.

MR. UTZ: What was the amount of water you were going to inject?

The WITNESS: 12,000 pounds.

MR. UTZ: Per day?

The WITNESS: Yes, sir.

MR. UTZ: The witness may be excused. Are there any other statements to be made in this case? If there are none, the case will be taken under advisement.



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STATE OF NEW MEXICO SS COUNTY OF BERNALILLO

I, LEWELLYN NELSON, Notary Public in and for the County of Bernalillo, State of New Mexico, do hereby certify that the foregoing and attached Transcript of Hearing was reported by me in Stenotype, and that the same was reduced to typewritten transcript under my personal supervision and contains a true and correct record of said proceedings, to the best of my knowledge, skill and ability.

DATED this 13th day of July, 1950, in the City of Albuquerque, County of Bernalillo, State of New Mexico.

NOTARY PUBLIC

My Commission Expires:

June 14, 1964

1 do hereby certify that the foregoing is a complete record of the proceedings in the Examiner hearing of Case No. 2002, heard by me on Luly 6, 1960

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P. O. BOX 871 SANTA FE

July 15, 1960

Mr. Jason Kellahin Kellahin & Fox Box 1713 Santa Fe, New Mexico

> Re: Case No. 2002 Order No. R-1717

> > Applicant:

Rice Engineering & Operating

Dear Sir:

Enclosed herewith are two copies of the above-referenced Commission order recently entered in the subject case.

Very truly yours,

A. L. PORTER, Jr., Secretary-Director

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Carbon copy of order also sent to:

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New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission P. O. Box 871 Santa Fe, New Mexico

> Re: Rule 701, Permit for Injection of Water (Salt Water Disposal)

Gentlemen:

Rice Engineering & Operating, Inc., of Hobbs, New Mexico, hereby applies for a hearing to be held before the New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission for the purpose of securing a permit under Rule 701 to dispose of salt water in the Skelly Oil Company State "D" No. 3 Well, Monument Field, Lea County, New Mexico.

Rice Engineering & Operating, Inc., further deposes and states the following:

- That said well located 660 feet from the east line and 2310 feet from the south line of Section 1, Township 20 South, Range 36 East, N.M.P.M., was drilled and completed July 19, 1949, by Skelly Oil Company and is producing from the Monument Abo Pool. (See Exhibit "A").
- B. That said well by agreement between Rice Engineering & Operating, Inc., and Skelly Oil Company shall be utilized by the Eunice-Monument-Eumont Salt Water Disposal System as a disposal well.
- C. That said well has 13-3/8 inch O.D. casing set at 324 feet, 9-5/8 inch O.D. casing set at 2786 feet, and 5-1/2 inch O.D. casing set at 7625 feet. (See Exhibit "B").

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D. That said well casing shall be pressure tested with 2000 psi before casing is perforated.

E. That said well shall be completed as a disposal well in the lower San Andres zone by setting a bridge plug in 5-1/2 inch casing at 5050 feet and perforating casing in the interval from 4450 to 4950 feet.

F. That the salt water to be injected is produced in the Monument area from the Monument, Monument Paddock, and Monument Blinebry Pools.

G. That the volume of salt water to be disposed shall be approximatel; 12,000 barrels per day.

Therefore, Rice Engineering & Operating, Inc., requests that the Secretary of the New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission set a date for this application to be heard, and after said hearing to grant this permit to dispose of salt water in the Skelly State "D" No. 3 Well. It is further requested that this hearing be set in the month of July, 1960.

Respectfully submitted,

RICE ENGINEERING & OPERATING, INC.

W.S. Abbott Division Manager

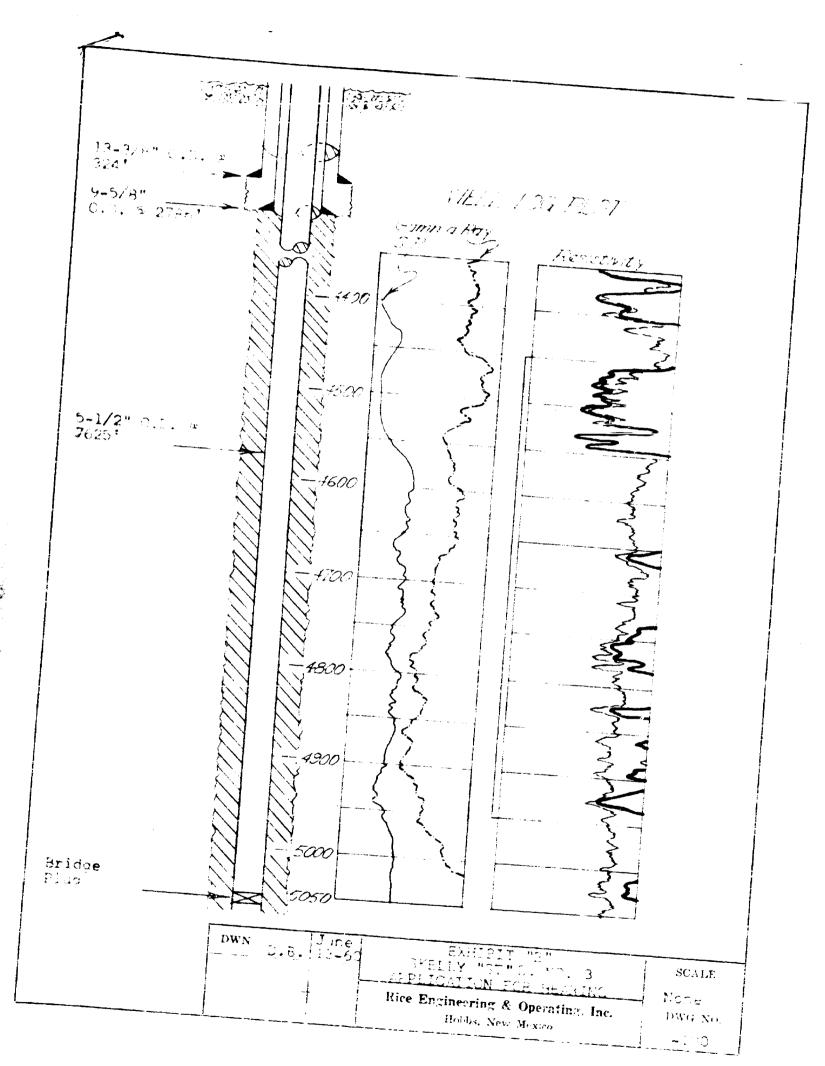
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DOCKET: EXAMINER HEARING JULY 6, 1960

Oil Conservation Commission - 9 G.M., State Corporation Commission Hearing Room, Basement, Capitol Building, Santa Fe, New Mexico.

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CASE 2003:

Application of El Paso Natural Gas Company for a gas-gas dual completion. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order authorizing the dual completion of its Warren Well No. 1-A (PM) located in Unit K, Section 25, Township 28 North, Range 9 West, San Juan County, New Mexico, in such a manner as to permit the production of gas from the South Blanco-Pictured Cliffs Pool and the production of gas from the Blanco Mesaverde Pool through the casing-tubing annulus and 2 inch

CASE 2004:

Application of La Plata Gathering System, Inc., for the establishment of a 345.59 acre non-standard gas proration unit in the Blanco Mesaverde Gas Pool, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico, and for an unorthodox gas well location. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks the establishment of a 345.59 acre non-standard gas proration unit in the Blanco Mesaverde Gas Pool, consisting of all of partial Sections 30 and 31, Township 32 North, Range 5 West, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico. Applicant proposes to dedicate said unit to a well to be drilled on an unorthodox location 990 feet from the North line and 713 feet from the East line of said Section 31.

CASE 2005:

Application of Argo Oil Corporation for an order force-rooling the interests in a 160-acre non-standard gas proration unit in the Jalmat Gas Pool. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order force-pooling all mineral interests within the vertical limits of the Jalmat Gas Pool in a 160-acre nonstandard gas proration unit consisting of the E/2 NE/4 of Section 21 and the W/2 NW/4 of Section 22, both in Township 25 South, Range 37 East, Lea County, New Mexico.

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CASE 2006:

Application of Pan American Petroleum Corporation for an extension of the no-flare exception granted by Order No. R-1451. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an extension of the one-year exception to the no-flare provision of the rules for the Otero Gallup Oil Pool, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico, for its Jicarilla 35 Well No. 1, which exception was granted by Order R-1451.

CASE 2007:

Application of Otto Reynolds and John R. Yarbrough for the promulgation of special rules governing gas wells drilled in the Bloomfield-Farmington Oil Pool. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order promulgating special rules governing, among other things, the definition, spacing and location of gas wells in the Bloomfield-Farmington Oil Pool, San Juan County, New Mexico. Applicant further seeks approval of unorthodox gas well locations for three wells in said pool.

CASE 2008:

Application of Gulf Oil Corporation for an order authorizing a salt water disposal well. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order authorizing the disposal of produced salt water through its Lea-State "CR" (NCT-A) Well No. 3, located 3300 feet from the South line and 1980 feet from the West line of Section 2, Township 16 South, Range 32 East, Lea County, New Mexico, with injection to be in the lower Wolf-camp formation in the interval from 9,911 feet to 10,200 feet.

CASE 2009:

Application of Gulf Oil Corporation for a 200-acre non-standard gas proration unit and for an order force-pooling the interests therein. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks the establishment of a 200-acre non-standard gas proration unit in the Blinebry Gas Pool, consisting of the SW/4 and the SW/4 SE/4 of Section 23, Township 22 South, Range 37 East, Lea County, New Mexico, to be dedicated to the O. I. Boyd Well No. 3, located 1980 feet from the South and West lines of said Section 23. Applicant further seeks an order force-pooling the interests of those in said non-standard gas proration unit who have gas rights within the vertical limits of the Blinebry Gas Pool, including the following named persons or parties who have not consented to the pooling agreement:

W. B. Trammel; Mrs. Carrie Gidwitz; Harry L. Jones and Isabel Jones; Heirs, Devisees and Personal Representatives of William T. Pitt, Deceased; Peter M. Smith; Adam F. Arnold; Cranfill Fowler; George W. Clark; Charles W. Hastings; John E. McConnell, Jr.; Lionel L. Shatford; Ernest O. Knapp, J. Paul Knapp, Gertrude K. Schrecengost, Mildred K. Stoneburner,

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Evelyn Neel, and Maude S. Knapp, Jointly; Robert R. McKee; and all other persons or parties owning oil and gas interests in the SW/4 and SW/4 SE/4 of Section 23, Township 22 South, Range 37 East, Lea County, New Mexico.

CASE 2010:

Application of Sinclair Oil & Cas Company for permission to commingle production from two separate leases. Applicant, in the above-styled cause seeks an order authorizing it to commingle the Empire-Abo Pool production from its M. Yates "B" Lease consisting of the S/2. NE/4, S/2 NW/4 and the NE/4 NW/4, with such production from a portion of its State Eddy 32 lease consisting of the NW/4 NW/4 of Section 34 and the SE/4 NW/4 of Section 32, all in Township 17 South, Range 28 East, Eddy County, New Mexico, after separately metering the production from one lease only.

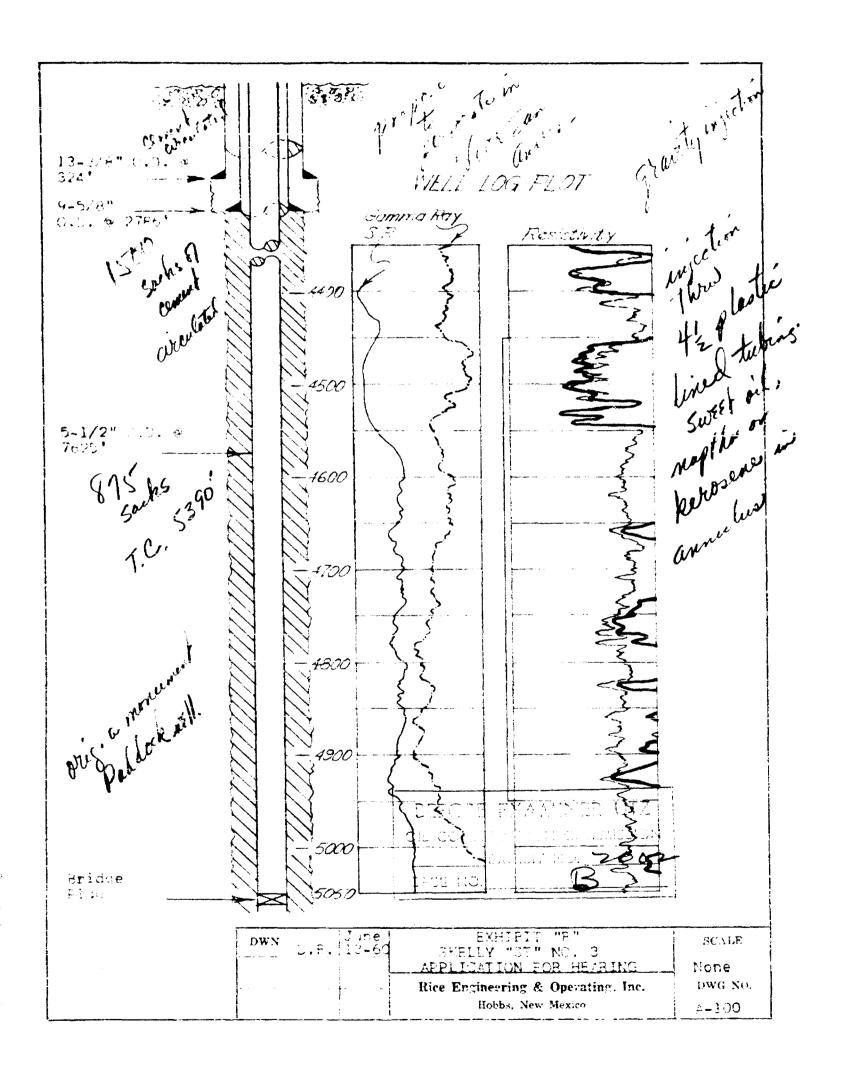
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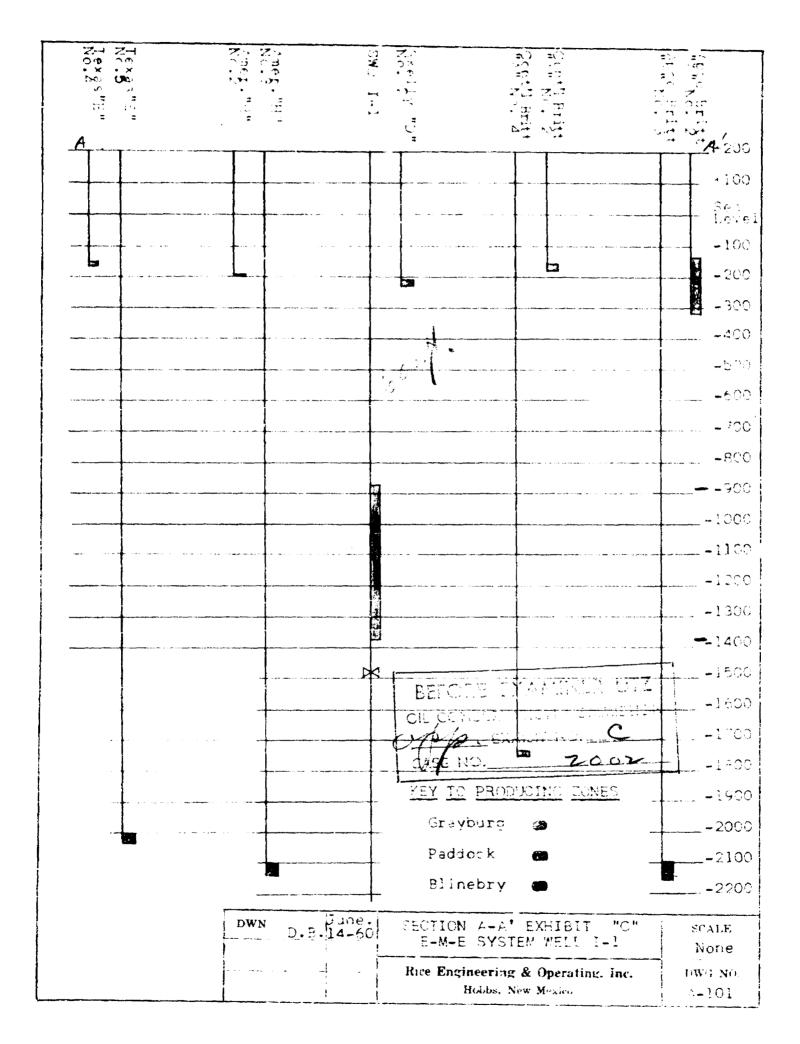
Application of Socony Mobil Oil Company for a "slim-hole" oil-oil dual completion. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order authorizing the dual completion of its E. O. Carson Well No. 22, located 1880 feet from the South line and 660 feet from the West line of Section 28, Township 21 South, Range 37 East, Lea County, New Mexico, in such a manner as to permit the production of oil from the Paddock Pool and the production of oil from the Wantz-Abo Pool using parallel strings of 2 7/8 inch tubing cemented in a common well-bore.

CASE 2012:

Application of Max Pray for the creation of a new oil pool rules and regulations for said pool. Applicant, in the E/2 of Section 28, NE/4 of Section 33 and the My/2 of Section 27. Applicant further seeks the promulgation of special and regulations governing said pool including a provision for temporary 80-acre oil proration units

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EXHIBIT "D"

WELLS WITHIN % MILE OF SWD WELL I→1

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OPERATOR	LEASE	WELL NO.	COMPLETION INTERVAL ELEVATION	COMPLETION ZONE REMARKS
Amerada	J. R. Phillips	1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9	-154 to -174 -154 to -174 +557 to +318 -156 to -183 -6023 to -6283 -1539 to -1620 -1587 to -1609 -180 to -190 -1582 to -1612	Grayburg TD=314, PBTD=222 Grayburg TD=312, PBTD=202 Queen TD=312, PBTD=318 Grayburg TD=316, PBTD=192 Simpson TD=6366, PBTD=6298 Paddock TD=6636, PBTD=1622 Grayburg TD=2178, PBTD=196 Paddock TD=2132, PBTD=1662
Amerada	State "H"	1 2 3	⇒214 to ⇒295 ⇒193 to ⇒196 ⇒2101 to ⇒2140	S.A. TD-306, PBTD-295 Grayburg TD-316, PBTD-237 Blinebry TD-2152
Anderson⊷ Prichard	Britt "A"	2 3	⇒153 to ⇒334 ⇒2094 to ⇒2149	GrayS.A. TD-334 Blinebry TD-2155
Continenta	l Britt "A"	1 2 3 4 5	-193 to -213 -157 to -177 -2101 to -2134 -1632 to -1644 -2083 to -2140	Grayburg TD-324, PBTD-215 Grayburg TD-322, PBTD-183 Blinebry TD-2196, PBTD-2139 Paddock TD-1706, PBTD-1647 Blinebry TD-2157, PBTD-2156
Skelly	State "D"	1 2	⇒208 to ⇒321 ⇒207% to ⇔ 225%	GrayS.A. TD-321 Grayburg TD-317, PBTD-233
Sunray Mid⊶Cont.	Cooper	9		TD⊷7065, P & A
Texaco	State "E"	4 5	⇒162 to ⇒164 ⇒2092 to ⇒2122	Grayburg TD-312, PBTD-201 Blinebry TD-3690, PBTD-2127
Texaco	Phillips	1 3 5 6 7	-163 to -171 -131 to -137 -2077 to -2137 -1629 to -1649 -2079 to -2136	Grayburg TD-333, PBTD-172 Grayburg TD-320, PBTD-144 Blinebry TD-2192, PBTD-2151 Glorietta TD-4148, PBTD-16/4 Blinebry TD-2151

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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 CONSIDERING OF NEW MEXICO FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONSIDERING:

> CASE No. 2002 Order No. R-1717

APPLICATION OF RICE ENGINEERING & OPERATING, INC., FOR AN ORDER AUTHORIZING A SALT WATER DISPOSAL WELL IN SECTION 1 OF TOWNSHIP 20 SOUTH, RANGE 36 EAST, 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 6, 1960, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Elvis A. Utz, 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 15th day of July, 1960, the Commission, a quorum being present, having considered the application, the evidence adduced, and the recommendations of the Examiner, Elvis A. Utz, 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 seeks an order authorizing the disposal of produced salt water into the lower San Andres formation through the Skelly Oil Company State "D" Well No. 3, located in the NE/4 SE/4 of Section 1, Township 20 South, Range 36 East, MMPM, Lea County, New Mexico, with the proposed injection interval from 4450 feet to 4950 feet.
- (3) That the production from the subject well has declined to approximately 2 barrels of oil per day from the Monument-Abo Pool which amount renders further production uneconomical.
- (4) That a bridge plug should be set at 5050 feet and cemented to withstand a minimum pressure of 5000 pounds.
- (5) That 4-1/2 inch hydril tubing should be set at 4450 feet and the easing-tubing annulus filled with sweet oil, naptha or kerosene.

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(6) That the applicant's proposed salt water disposal program will not jeopardize the production of oil, gas, or fresh water in the area, provided that the casing is tested with 2000 pounds surface pressure prior to utilization of the well for salt water disposal purposes.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

(1) That the applicant be and the same is hereby authorized to dispose of produced salt water into the lower San Andres formation through the Skelly Oil Company State "D" Well No. 3, located in the MR/4 SE/4 of Section 1, Township 20 South, Range 36 East, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico, with the injection interval from 4450 feet to 4950 feet.

PROVIDED HOWEVER, That a bridge plug shall be set at 5050 feet and cemented to withstand a minimum pressure of 5000 pounds.

PROVIDED FURTHER, That 4-1/2 inch hydril tubing shall be set at 4450 feet and the casing-tubing annulus filled with sweet oil, naptha or kerosene.

PROVIDED FURTHER, That the casing shall be tested with 2000 pounds surface pressure with the hole full of water prior to utilization of the well for salt water disposal purposes.

(2) That the applicant shall submit monthly reports of its disposal operations in accordance with Rules 704 and 1119 of the Commission Rules and Regulations.

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

> STATE OF NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

JOHN BURROUGES, Chairman

MURRAY B. MORGAN, Member

A. L. PORTER, Ji., Member & Secretary

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