

CASE 2665: Application of the OCC
on its own motion to permit Great
Amer. to appear regarding plug-
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Application, Transcript,
and Exhibits, Etc.

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OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION
1000 RIO BRAZOS ROAD
AZTEC, NEW MEXICO

April 13, 1961

Great American Oil Company
3205 Central Avenue NE
Albuquerque, New Mexico

Attn: Mr. W. J. Stafford, President

Dear Sir:

We have received Form C-101, Notice of Intention to Drill, for the #3 John Sargent Estate well, along with several delinquent reports for other operations of your Company in Rio Arriba County, New Mexico.

The #1 and #5 John Sargent Estate wells have been temporarily abandoned in excess of the 60-day period provided by Rule 202. These wells should be completed either as producible wells or plugged and abandoned prior to June 15, 1961, to avoid possible legal action.

Upon proper notification of completion of the above mentioned #1 and #5 wells the Form C-101 for the #3 John Sargent Estate well will be approved subject to the following provision: The location as shown (2380 feet from the South line and 1980 feet from the West line of Section 32 Township 1 North, Range 2 East, N & B Survey) is not a standard location and production cannot be approved until after notice and hearing for approval of the non-standard location. Drilling operations for the #3 well shall remain suspended until Form C-101 is approved.

If we may be of further service, please contact us.

Yours very truly

ARK:ks

A. R. Kendrick
Engineer, District #3

cc: Mr. A. L. Porter
OCC, Santa Fe, N.M.

Mr. Richard Morris
OCC, Santa Fe, N.M.

WILLIAM J. STAFFORD
President

JAMES E. CASTER
Exec. Secretary

Great American Oil Company

3205 CENTRAL AVE., NE
ALBUQUERQUE, NEW MEXICO
ALPINE 5-2120
April 7, 1961

Mr. A. R. Kendrick
Oil Conservation Commission
1000 Rio Brazos Road
Aztec, New Mexico

Re: Great American Oil Company
#3 John Sargent Estate
K-32-1 N-2E M&B Survey

Dear A. R.:

Please find enclosed the corrected Notice of Intention to Drill, Form C-101. Perhaps we might be better off to drill it in T2N. Anyway, those bastard locations give me as much trouble as they do you and I greatly appreciate your kind assistance and interest.

Other forms and reports enclosed herewith are:

- #1 John Sargent Estate:
C-103, Report of re-entry and/or remedial action
C-105, Well Records
- #2 John Sargent Estate:
C-105, Well Records
- #3 John Sargent Estate:
C-128, Well location (corrected)
C-101, Notice of Intention to Drill
- #5 John Sargent Estate:
C-105, Well Records



The C-103 form has not been filed on #5 because we have not been able to get a rig on the location as yet. As you know, the former owners of that well drilled it, abandoned it, refused to plug it, and left the state. It had stood abandoned for almost a year before we took it over. The winter weather delayed any operations on the well after our ownership was approved by your office. The well was left full of high viscosity mud and since it has already stood 16 months, we do not anticipate any trouble. If we should encounter any difficulty, we will plug it and drill a twin well. Since the weather is like it is, we expect to move on the well site within 45 days with your permission.

May we hear from you at your convenience.

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Respectfully yours,

Mark Whelan

MARK WHELAN
Geophysicist
Great American Oil Company

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6 enclosures and copies

OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION
1000 RIO BRAZOS ROAD
AZTEC, NEW MEXICO

June 27, 1961

Great American Oil Company
3205 Central Ave. NE
Albuquerque, New Mexico

Re: Operating Agreement

Gentlemen:

Our understanding of the results of the meeting in our office on June 26, 1961 are as follows:

1. Great American is to drill its #3 John Sargent Estate well immediately, and
2. Upon completion of well #3 to proceed to complete or permanently plug and abandon well #5; in any regard well #5 shall be completed or plugged on or before August 25, 1961.

Yours very truly

Emery C. Arnold
Supervisor, District #3

ECAs:ks

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CHAIRMAN

State of New Mexico
Oil Conservation Commission

LAND COMMISSIONER
E. S. JOHNNY WALKER
MEMBER



STATE GEOLOGIST
A. L. PORTER, JR.
SECRETARY - DIRECTOR

1000 RIO BRAZOS ROAD
AZTEC

July 27, 1962

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

Re: Great American Oil Company
operations in the Chama Area

Dear Mr. Porter:

We are ready to call a case for the above captioned operator to show cause why their three wells should not be properly plugged and abandoned.

The attached copies of letters should cover all correspondence since the summary letter of January 30, 1961, except a letter from the operator requesting forms about March 1, 1962. (We have not received the reports).

The weather will probably be adverse to operations in late September but usually is not too bad from late October to Mid-December.

Yours very truly,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "A. R. Kendrick".

A. R. Kendrick
Engineer, District #3

ARK:ks

Encls.

Memo

From

A. R. Kendrick
Engineer

To FIELD INSPECTION JULY 25, 1962

Great American Oil Company
John Sargent Estate Lease

#1. Well has head with intermitter installed.
Junk on location - pits open.
Attempted to measure wellhead pressure -
well dead - pressure zero.

#3 Some 5½" (?) casing hanging in hole with
clamp setting on larger casing. Location
very junky with some drilling tools still
on location including a truck and trailer.
Pits open. Well capped with a plate welded
on top of a thread protector.

No apparent operation this year - road has
many weeds and trees growing in it.

#1 940' S/G 1620' w/L
S 4 T 1 S R 2 E M/B surr.

OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION
1000 RIO BRAZOS ROAD
AZTEC, NEW MEXICO

February 20, 1962

*Mr. William J. Stafford
Great American Oil Company
3205 Central Avenue NE
Albuquerque, New Mexico*

Dear Mr. Stafford:

*We have not received reports of your operations on the
following wells:*

Sargent Estate #1:

*We have not received a copy of any potential
test as requested. We have not received a
subsequent report of fracture treatments as
approved April 10, 1961.*

Sargent Estate #3:

No report of drilling or casing as accomplished.

Sargent Estate #5:

*No report of plugging operations as agreed
at a conference in this office June 26, 1961.*

*All above mentioned reports should be submitted at an early date
to avoid possible shut-down orders.*

Yours very truly

ARK:ks

*A. R. Kendrick
Engineer, District #3*

cc: Oil Conservation Commission

WILLIAM J. STAFFORD
President

JAMES E. CASTER
Exec. Secretary

Great American Oil Company

3205 CENTRAL AVE., NE
ALBUQUERQUE, NEW MEXICO
ALPINE 5-2120

October 26, 1961

Mr. Emory Arnold
State of New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission
P.O. Box 617
Santa Fe, New Mexico

Dear Emory:

As usual, we have been very slow in keeping you up to date, but we are drilling ahead approximately 755 feet on our John Sargent Estate Well No. 3. We intend to move on the old hole once we get through with this one.

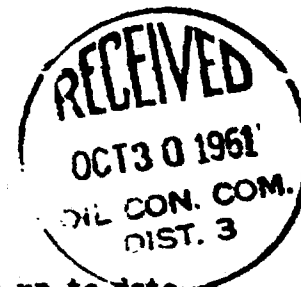
We have had more hard luck, more bad rains and more crazy things happen than I have ever seen since we have been drilling wells.

I appreciate very much your patience and I will try to take care of this as quickly as possible.

Yours very truly,

Will Stafford
William J. Stafford

WJS:hg



OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

P. O. BOX 871
SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

September 13, 1961

Mr. Emery Arnold
District Supervisor
Oil Conservation Commission
1000 Rio Brazos Road
Asteo, New Mexico

Dear Emery:

Please furnish me with some information on the status of certain wells in your District so that I can dispose of the well files that have accumulated on my desk.

I am holding, for Al's instruction, the well file on the Great American Oil Company John Sargent Estate Well No. 3, Unit K, Section 32, Township 1 North, Range 2 East, Rio Arriba County.

I am also holding the well file on the Hugh McMillan Clinkenbeard Well No. 1, located in the NE/4 of Section 12, Township 24 North, Range 3 West, Rio Arriba County. Please let me know whether this well was drilled or whether the location was abandoned. If the well was drilled, please let me have a plugging program.

Also please advise whether the Tidal Oil Company H. F. McKay Well No. 1, Unit H, Section 14, Township 24 North, Range 2 West, Rio Arriba County, has been plugged. If not, please furnish me with a plugging program.

Very truly yours,

RICHARD S. MORRIS
Attorney

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Memo

From

RICHARD S. MORRIS
GENERAL COUNSEL

To

See Rule 202 - Plugging
" 65-3-24 Actions for
violations

- ① Should write L T Operator
+ bond co. making demand.
- ② Issue order to show cause
- ③ File suit on bond

OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

P. O. BOX 871

SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

August 3, 1961

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Great American Oil Company
107 Washington, S.E.
Albuquerque, New Mexico

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Attention: Mr. William J. Stafford

United States Fidelity & Guaranty Company
201 San Mateo, S.E.
Albuquerque, New Mexico

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Attention: Mr. Jason Rogers

Re: Well Plugging, Rio Arriba
County, New Mexico

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Gentlemen:

Pursuant to information furnished us by Mr. A. R. Hendrick,
Engineer, District 3, Oil Conservation Commission in Astor, New
Mexico, we hereby make demand upon you to properly plug the
following wells located in Rio Arriba County, New Mexico, in
accordance with the Commission Rules and Regulations:

- (1) John Sargent Estate Well No. 5, located 300 feet
from the East line and 800 feet from the South line
of Section 4, Township 1 South, Range 2 East, N & B
Survey. Mr. Hendrick advises that in accordance
with a conference in his office on June 26, 1961,
this well was to be plugged on or before August 25,
1961. We have received no reports concerning this
well since this office conference.
- (2) John Sargent Estate Well No. 1, located 940 feet
from the South line and 1430 feet from the West
line of Section 4, Township 1 South, Range 2 East,
N & B Survey. We have received no reports

OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION
P. O. BOX 871
SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

August 3, 1962

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Great American Oil Company

United States Fidelity & Guaranty Company

concerning this well since August 8, 1961.
Mr. Hendrick advises that he attempted to measure
wellhead pressure on a field inspection conducted
July 13, 1961, and that the pressure was zero.

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- (3) John August Estate Well No. 1, located 1900 feet
from the West line and 2300 feet from the South
line of Section 12, Township 1 North, Range 2 East,
N & E Survey. The last form received by this office
concerning this well was Notice of Intention to Drill,
received April 10, 1961. Mr. Hendrick advises that
this location is very junky, pits are open, and there
apparently has been no operation for a considerable
length of time.

Unless the above wells are satisfactorily plugged on or be-
fore September 1, 1962, the Commission will be forced to enter an
order to show cause why the wells should not be plugged and take
other appropriate legal action to secure plugging the same.

Mr. Hendrick must be contacted for an appropriate plugging
program for each well and must be given an opportunity to witness
the plugging of each well as it is being accomplished.

Very truly yours,

JAMES H. SUMMERT, JR.,
Special Assistant Attorney General

JMS/enc

cc: Mr. A. R. Hendrick
Engineer, District 3
Oil Conservation Commission
1000 Rio Grande Road
Albuquerque, New Mexico

Paul Billingham, Inc.
2929 Monte Vista Boulevard, N.E.
Albuquerque, New Mexico

NOTE: THIS HEARING WILL BE HELD IN FARMINGTON, NEW MEXICO

NO. 30-62

DOCKET: REGULAR HEARING - THURSDAY - OCTOBER 18, 1962

OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION - 9 A.M., FARMINGTON CITY HALL, 800 MUNICIPAL DRIVE, FARMINGTON, NEW MEXICO

- ALLOWABLE:**
- (1) Consideration of the oil allowable for November, 1962.
 - (2) Consideration of the allowable production of gas for November, 1962, from ten prorated pools in Lea and Eddy Counties, New Mexico, also consideration of the allowable production of gas from nine prorated pools in San Juan, Rio Arriba, and Sandoval Counties, New Mexico, for November, 1962.

CASE 2615: (De Novo)

Application of Waterflood Associates, Inc. for a hearing de novo in Case No. 2615, Order No. R-2304, application of Aztec Oil & Gas Company for a waterflood project, Robinson Pool, Lea County, New Mexico.

CASE 2665:

In the matter of the hearing called by the Oil Conservation Commission, on its own motion, to permit Great American Oil Company and all interested parties to appear and show cause why the following wells should not be plugged in accordance with a Commission-approved plugging program:

- (1) John Sargent Estate Well No. 5, located 380 feet from the East line and 880 feet from the South line of Section 4, Township 1 South, Range 2 East, Martin & Borders Survey, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico.
- (2) John Sargent Estate Well No. 1, located 940 feet from the South line and 1620 feet from the West line of Section 4, Township 1 South, Range 2 East, Martin & Borders Survey, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico.
- (3) John Sargent Estate Well No. 3, located 2380 feet from the South line and 1980 feet from the West line of Section 32, Township 1 North, Range 2 East, Martin & Borders Survey, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico.

CASE 2666:

In the matter of the hearing called by the Oil Conservation Commission on its own motion to permit M. J. Florance and all interested parties to appear and show cause why the M. J. Florance Pooled Unit Well No. 1, located 1980 feet

CASE 2666: from the South line and 1760 feet from the East line of
(Continued) Section 8, Township 30 North, Range 11 West, San Juan County,
New Mexico, should not be plugged in accordance with a
Commission approved plugging program.

CASE 2667: Southeastern New Mexico nomenclature case calling for an
order creating new pools and extending certain existing
pools in Lea County, New Mexico.

(a) Create a new oil pool for Queen production, designated
as the Mesa-Queen Pool, and described as:

TOWNSHIP 16 SOUTH, RANGE 32 EAST, NMPM
Section 16: NW/4

(b) Extend the Corbin-Abo Pool to include:

TOWNSHIP 18 SOUTH, RANGE 33 EAST, NMPM
Section 2: NW/4

(c) Extend the North Justis-Blinebry Pool to include:

TOWNSHIP 25 SOUTH, RANGE 37 EAST, NMPM
Section 2: NW/4

(d) Extend the North Justis-Devonian Pool to include:

TOWNSHIP 24 SOUTH, RANGE 37 EAST, NMPM
Section 35: NE/4

TOWNSHIP 25 SOUTH, RANGE 37 EAST, NMPM
Section 2: NW/4

(e) Extend the North Justis Tubb-Drinkard Pool to include:

TOWNSHIP 25 SOUTH, RANGE 37 EAST, NMPM
Section 2: NW/4

(f) Extend the South Lane-Pennsylvanian Pool to include:

TOWNSHIP 10 SOUTH, RANGE 33 EAST, NMPM
Section 35: NE/4

(g) Extend the Lusk-Strawn (Pennsylvanian) Pool to include:

CASE 2667: (Cont.) TOWNSHIP 19 SOUTH, RANGE 32 EAST, NMPM
Section 20: SW/4
Section 29: N/2

- (h) Extend the Middle Lynch-Yates Pool to include:

TOWNSHIP 20 SOUTH, RANGE 34 EAST, NMPM
Section 22: NE/4 SW/4

- (i) Extend the Vacuum-Abo Pool to include:

TOWNSHIP 18 SOUTH, RANGE 35 EAST, NMPM
Section 7: N/2 SE/4

- (j) Extend the Vacuum-Queen Pool to include:

TOWNSHIP 18 SOUTH, RANGE 34 EAST, NMPM
Section 6: SE/4

CASE 2668: Northwestern New Mexico nomenclature case calling for an order extending certain existing pools in Rio Arriba, Sandoval and San Juan Counties, New Mexico.

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

TOWNSHIP 29 NORTH, RANGE 9 WEST, NMPM
Section 27: SE/4
Section 34: E/2

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

TOWNSHIP 29 NORTH, RANGE 9 WEST, NMPM
Section 15: SW/4
Section 22: NW/4

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

TOWNSHIP 23 NORTH, RANGE 1 WEST, NMPM
Section 4: W/2
Section 8: N/2

TOWNSHIP 23 NORTH, RANGE 2 WEST, NMPM
Section 1: SE/4
Section 12: E/2
Section 13: E/2
Section 24: NE/4

CASE 2668: (Cont.) TOWNSHIP 24 NORTH, RANGE 2 WEST, NMPM
Section 36: E/2

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

TOWNSHIP 26 NORTH, RANGE 6 WEST, NMPM
Section 2: N/2

- (e) Extend the Boulder-Mancos Oil Pool to include:

TOWNSHIP 28 NORTH, RANGE 1 WEST, NMPM
Section 14: SW/4 SE/4
Section 26: N/2 & NW/4 SE/4

- (f) Extend the Devils Fork-Gallup Pool to include:

TOWNSHIP 24 NORTH, RANGE 6 WEST, NMPM
Section 16: W/2 NW/4

- (g) Extend the Puerto Chiquito-Gallup Oil Pool to include:

TOWNSHIP 27 NORTH, RANGE 1 EAST, NMPM
Section 20: S/2 SE/4
Section 21: SW/4 SW/4
Section 29: N/2 NE/4

OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

P. O. BOX 871

SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

September 11, 1962

DOCKET MAILED

Date 10-4-62

Mr. A. R. Kendrick
Engineer, District III
Oil Conservation Commission
1000 Rio Brazos Road
Artec, New Mexico

Re: Well Plugging - Great American
Oil Company, Rio Arriba County,
New Mexico

Dear Al:

Thank you for your letter of September 7, 1962.

We tentatively plan to docket the case for the October
10th examiner hearing. We will keep you further advised.

Very truly yours,

JAMES M. DURETT, Jr.,
Attorney

JMD/esr

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A. L. PORTER, JR.
SECRETARY - DIRECTOR

1000 RIO BRAZOS ROAD
AZTEC, NEW MEXICO

September 7, 1962

Mr. James M. Durrett, Jr.
Oil Conservation Commission
P.O. Box 871
Santa Fe, New Mexico

Re: Great American Oil Company
Rio Arriba County, New Mexico

Dear Mr. Durrett:

We have not been contacted by subject operator as required by your letter of August 3, 1962, relative to well plugging.

We are prepared to proceed with a hearing wherein the operator may appear and show cause why the wells should not be properly plugged and abandoned.

Please docket such a case when the schedule permits.

Yours very truly,

A. R. Kendrick

A. R. Kendrick
Engineer, District #3

ARK:ks

cc: Great American Oil Co.
107 Washington SE, Albuquerque, N.M.

U.S. Fidelity & Guaranty Co.
301 San Mateo SE, Albuquerque, N.M.

Paul Billingham, Inc.
2929 Monte Vista NE, Albuquerque, N.M.

DOCKET MAILED

Date 10-4-62

No. 859189

RECEIPT FOR CERTIFIED MAIL—20¢

SENT TO General American Oil Company		POSTMARK OR DATE 10-3-67
ADDRESSEE NO. Mr. William M. Stafford		
107 Washington, S.E.		
CITY AND STATE Albuquerque, New Mexico		
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<small>POD Form 3800 Apr 1960</small>		
<small>SEE OTHER SIDE</small> <i>Notice case 4665</i>		

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4. If you want a return receipt, write the certified-mail number and your name and address on a return receipt card, Form 3811, and attach it to the back of the article by means of the gummed ends. Endorse front of article RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED.
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State of New Mexico
Oil Conservation Commission
P. O. BOX 871
SANTA FE

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Great American Oil Company
107 Washington S.E.
Albuquerque, New Mexico

Attention: Mr. William J. Stafford

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STATE OF NEW MEXICO
OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION
SANTA FE - NEW MEXICO

CASE NO. 2665

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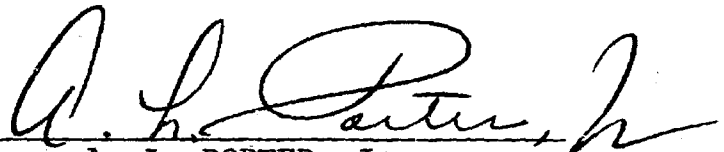
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TO: Great American Oil Company
107 Washington, S.E.
Albuquerque, New Mexico

United States Fidelity & Guaranty Company
301 San Mateo, S.E.
Albuquerque, New Mexico

N O T I C E

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE THAT THE ABOVE ENTITLED AND NUMBERED CAUSE WILL COME BEFORE THE OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION AT 9 O'CLOCK A.M., OCTOBER 18, 1962, FARMINGTON CITY HALL, 800 MUNICIPAL DRIVE, FARMINGTON, NEW MEXICO.


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

I hereby certify that I have mailed a copy of this Notice to the above-named parties on this 3rd day of October, 1962.


JAMES M. DURRETT, Jr.,
General Counsel

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	CITY AND STATE Attention: Mr. Jason Rogers		
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#1-INSTRUCTIONS TO DELIVERING EMPLOYEE

☐ Deliver **ONLY** to addressee ☐ Show address where delivered
(Additional charges required for these services)

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Received the numbered article described on other side.

SIGNATURE OR NAME OF ADDRESSEE (must always be filled in)

Mar R Day

SIGNATURE OF ADDRESSEE'S AGENT, IF ANY

ADDRESS WHERE DELIVERED (only if required in item 6-1)

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Gail Jones

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OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION
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CASE NO. 2665

In the matter of the hearing called by the Oil Conservation Commission, on its own motion, to permit Great American Oil Company and all interested parties to appear and show cause why the following wells should not be plugged in accordance with a Commission-approved plugging program:

- (1) John Sargent Estate Well No. 5, located 380 feet from the East line and 880 feet from the South line of Section 4, Township 1 South, Range 2 East, Martin & Borders Survey, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico.
- (2) John Sargent Estate Well No. 1, located 940 feet from the South line and 1620 feet from the West line of Section 4, Township 1 South, Range 2 East, Martin & Borders Survey, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico.
- (3) John Sargent Estate Well No. 3, located 2380 feet from the South line and 1980 feet from the West line of Section 32, Township 1 North, Range 2 East, Martin & Borders Survey, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico.

TO: Great American Oil Company
107 Washington, S.E.
Albuquerque, New Mexico


United States Fidelity & Guaranty Company
301 San Mateo, S.E.
Albuquerque, New Mexico

NOTICE

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE THAT THE ABOVE ENTITLED AND NUMBERED CAUSE WILL COME BEFORE THE OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION AT 9 O'CLOCK A.M., OCTOBER 18, 1962, FARMINGTON CITY HALL, 800 MUNICIPAL DRIVE, FARMINGTON, NEW MEXICO.


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

I hereby certify that I have mailed a copy of this Notice to the above-named parties on this 3rd day of October, 1962.


JAMES M. DURRETT, Jr.,
General Counsel

OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

P. O. BOX 871

SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

September 28, 1962

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Mr. Emery Arnold
District Supervisor
Oil Conservation Commission
1000 Rio Brazos Road
Asteo, New Mexico

Re: Great American Oil Company and
M. J. Florance Well Plugging
Rio Arriba and San Juan Counties,
New Mexico

Dear Emery:

As we discussed over the telephone, we have docketed the Great American Oil Company plugging case and the M. J. Florance plugging case for the October regular hearing in Farmington.

The Great American Oil Company case involves the following wells in Rio Arriba County: John Sargent Estate Well No. 5, Section 4, Township 1 South, Range 2 East; John Sargent Estate Well No. 1, Section 4, Township 1 South, Range 2 East; and the John Sargent Estate Well No. 3, Section 32, Township 1 North, Range 2 East. The M. J. Florance case involves the M. J. Florance Pooled Unit Well No. 1 located in Section 8, Township 30 North, Range 11 West, San Juan County. Of course, I will need either you or Al to testify concerning these wells.

Please discuss this matter and I will get together with you when we arrive in Farmington and go over the cases prior to the hearing.

Very truly yours,

JAMES M. DURRETT, Jr.,
Attorney

JMD/esr



UNITED STATES FIDELITY AND GUARANTY COMPANY

ALBUQUERQUE BRANCH OFFICE

L. K. KING, MANAGER

301 SAN MATEO BLVD., S. E.

ALBUQUERQUE, NEW MEXICO

TELEPHONE: ALPINE 6-3547

October 10, 1962

JAMES A. LYONS
SUPT. OF CLAIMS

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

Attention: Mr. A. L. Porter, Jr.
Secretary-Director

Re: Case No. 2665 - Our File No. 63-S-442 -
Great American Oil Company - State of New Mexico

Gentlemen:

We have your Notice that you have called a hearing to give the Great American Oil Company an opportunity to show cause why certain wells should not be plugged in accordance with Commission-approved plugging program.

We have made every effort to contact the principal officer of the Great American Oil Company and have been unable to locate anyone with ability to do the plugging. Therefore, we will make arrangements for the plugging to be done at the earliest convenient time. We will have our representative in Farmington, New Mexico arrange for the plugging under the supervision of your engineer Mr. A. R. Kendrick without further delay. It may be that you can avoid the hearing. At least, we will have our Farmington representative work out a schedule for the plugging with Mr. Kendrick as soon as possible. We will appreciate your vacating the hearing and saving whatever time it would require as soon as the plugging schedule has been arranged.

Very truly yours,

C. L. Fogleman
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CLAIM DEPARTMENT

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cc: Mr. A. R. Kendrick
Engineer, District #3
Oil Conservation Commission
1000 Rio Brazos Road
Aztec, New Mexico

cc: Paul Billingham, Inc.
Albuquerque
New Mexico

OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

P. O. BOX 871

SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

October 10, 1962

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Mr. Jim Caster
Attorney at Law
P. O. Box 4095
Albuquerque, New Mexico

Re: Case No. 2665, Great American Oil
Company, Well Plugging, Rio Arriba
County, New Mexico

Dear Jim:

As I was not able to contact you last night at the reserve meeting concerning the above case and your request for a continuance, I wanted to write this morning to let you know the Commission's decision on your request.

I presented your request for a continuance in detail to the Commission; however, they stated they would not be willing to grant a continuance at this time as they feel Great American Oil Company has been very uncooperative up to this point and that the matter should not be delayed any more than is absolutely necessary. Therefore, we will have to go ahead with the case on October 18 in Farmington. However, they did state that they would be willing to hear a request for a continuance when the case is called at the regular hearing in Farmington, but that they would feel that there would have to be substantial grounds for granting such a request.

Jim, I am afraid this is about all I can do for you at this time. Since the Commission feels the case should proceed unless substantial grounds are shown for granting a continuance, it will be necessary for me to proceed with the case at the regular Farmington hearing.

Let me know if I can otherwise assist you.

Very truly yours,

JAMES M. DURRETT, Jr.,
Attorney

JMD/esr

OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

P. O. BOX 871

SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

December 26, 1962

Mr. James G. Caster
Attorney at Law
P. O. Box 4093
Albuquerque, New Mexico

Re: Case No. 2665, Great American Oil Company,
Well Plugging, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico

Dear Jim:

I have now received the transcript in the above case and can furnish you with the details of the stipulation that was made at the hearing of this case.

Mr. Fred White, Attorney at Law, Farmington, New Mexico, appeared on behalf of Great American Oil Company and stipulated that all three wells would either be producing or plugged in accordance with a Commission-approved plugging program on or before February 15, 1963. He stated that Mr. Billy Joe Stafford, the president of Great American Oil Company, was in California trying to arrange to sell the wells and that they expected to have the wells sold about the middle of November. We have not yet received a transfer of ownership form on any of these wells. Therefore, I assume the sale was not consummated. In accordance with the stipulation, if the wells are not either producing or satisfactorily plugged on or before February 15, 1963, an order will automatically issue from the Commission requiring the wells to be plugged in accordance with a designated plugging program.

Please advise me if you need any additional information concerning this matter.

Very truly yours,

JAMES M. DURRITT, Jr.,
Attorney

JMD/ear

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A. L. PORTER, JR.
SECRETARY - DIRECTOR

1000 RIO BRAZOS ROAD
AZTEC, NEW MEXICO

December 28, 1962


Mr. James Durrett
Oil Conservation Commission
Box 871
Santa Fe, New Mexico

Re: Case No. 2665

Dear Jim:

Please advise us by letter of the agreement reached in subject case.

Yours very truly


A. R. Kendrick
Engineer, District #3

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OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION
P. O. BOX 871
SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

January 2, 1963

Mr. Fred E. White
Attorney at Law
112 North Behrend
Farmington, New Mexico

Re: Case No. 2665, Great American
Oil Company, Well Plugging

Dear Fred:

This is a reminder that it was stipulated at the hearing in the above case that the Great American Oil Company would have the following three wells either producing or satisfactorily plugged on or before February 15, 1963:

John Sargent Estate Well No. 5, located 380 feet from the East line and 880 feet from the South line of Section 4, Township 1 South, Range 2 East, Martin & Borders Survey, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico

John Sargent Estate Well No. 1, located 940 feet from the South line and 1620 feet from the West line of Section 4, Township 1 South, Range 2 East, Martin & Borders Survey, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico

John Sargent Estate Well No. 3, located 2380 feet from the South line and 1980 feet from the West line of Section 32, Township 1 North, Range 2 East, Martin & Borders Survey, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico

It was mentioned during the hearing that your client expected to have the wells sold by about the middle of November. If the sale has been consummated, a Form C-110 should be

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Attorney at Law
Farmington, New Mexico

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filed with the Astec District Office showing change in ownership. If the wells have been sold and a Form C-110 has not yet been filed, we would appreciate your client doing so in the immediate future. Also, we would appreciate your keeping the Astec District Office advised of your client's progress with the wells.

Very truly yours,

JAMES M. DURRETT, Jr.,
Attorney

JMD/ear

cc: Oil Conservation Commission
1000 Rio Brazos Road
Astec, New Mexico

OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

P. O. BOX 871

SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

January 2, 1963

Mr. A. R. Kendrick
Engineer, District #3
Oil Conservation Commission
1000 Rio Grande Road
Artes, New Mexico

Re: Case No. 2645, Great American Oil
Company, Well Plugging — Case
No. 2646, M. J. Florence, Well
Plugging

Dear Al:

I am enclosing herewith carbon copies of letters I have dispatched to the attorneys for the defendants in the above two cases. These letters should be self-explanatory concerning the stipulations entered in these cases.

We will issue an order concerning the M. J. Florence well on January 16, 1963, and on the Great American wells on February 15, 1963, if they are not satisfactorily plugged or producing by these respective dates.

I would appreciate your placing these cases in a suspense file and forwarding a plugging program to me about one week prior to the plugging date if it looks like it will be necessary for us to issue an order.

Please advise me if you need any additional information concerning these cases.

Very truly yours,

JAMES M. DURRETT, Jr.,
Attorney

JMD/esr
Enclosures

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SECRETARY - DIRECTOR

1000 RIO BRAZOS ROAD
AZTEC, NEW MEXICO

January 3, 1962

Mr. James J. Durrett, Jr.
Oil Conservation Commission
Box 871
Santa Fe, New Mexico

Re: Case No. 2665, Great American
Oil Company, Well Plugging

Dear Jim:

Thank you for the letter of stipulation of subject case.

The only progress we can report at this time is that Mr. William J. Stafford of the Great American Oil Company did visit this office about December 1, 1962. He picked up some forms to file for the affected wells in order to get the records complete prior to a proposed sale of the properties. We have not received any of the forms or other communication from the company.

We will keep you advised of any progress.

Yours very truly

A. R. Kendrick
A. R. Kendrick
Engineer, District #3

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OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION
1000 RIO BRAZOS ROAD
AZTEC, NEW MEXICO

January 31, 1963

Mr. William J. Stafford
Great American Oil Company
107 Washington SE
Albuquerque, New Mexico

Re: Great American Oil Co.
#3 Sargent, N-32-1N-2E, M &
B Survey, Rio Arriba Co, N.M.

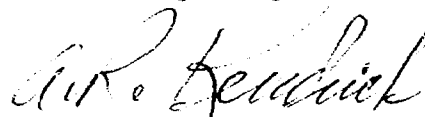
Dear Mr. Stafford:

The casing must be cemented in subject well if the well is to be completed as a productive well.

Rule 107 explains the cementing requirements.

The attached Form O-103 indicates that the casing was set on a shoulder without cement; therefore, we cannot approve it.

Yours very truly



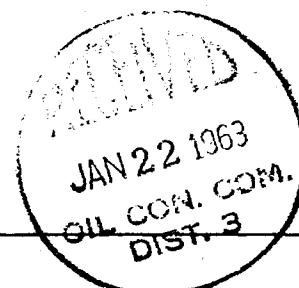
A. E. Kendrick
Engineer, District #3

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cc: OOC, Santa Fe, w/attachment

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Name of Company Great American Oil Company			Address 107 Washington, S.E., Albuquerque, N. M.			
Lease Sargent		Well No. 3	Unit Letter M	Section 32	Township 1 North	Range 2 East
Date Work Performed January, 1961		Pool Wildcat			County Rio Arriba	
THIS IS A REPORT OF: (Check appropriate block)						
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Beginning Drilling Operations <input type="checkbox"/> Casing Test and Cement Job <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Explain):						
<input type="checkbox"/> Plugging <input type="checkbox"/> Remedial Work						
Detailed account of work done, nature and quantity of materials used, and results obtained. Spud date January 15, 1961 Set 8-5/8" new 20# J-55 @100 feet with 30 sacks cement Ran 670 and 67" setting on shoulder) Drilled to total depth of 1215 feet Temporarily abandoned at 1215 feet to await further testing.						
Witnessed by		Position		Company		
FILL IN BELOW FOR REMEDIAL WORK REPORTS ONLY						
ORIGINAL WELL DATA						
D F Elev.		T D		PBTD		Producing Interval
Completion Date						
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Open Hole Interval				Producing Formation(s)		
RESULTS OF WORKOVER						
Test	Date of Test	Oil Production BPD	Gas Production MCFPD	Water Production BPD	GOR Cubic feet/Bbl	Gas Well Potential MCFPD
Before Workover						
After Workover						
OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION				I hereby certify that the information given above is true and complete to the best of my knowledge.		
Approved by				Name <i>William J. Stafford</i>		
Title				Position President		
Date				Company Great American Oil Company		



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January 31, 1963

STATE GEOLOGIST
A. L. PORTER, JR.
SECRETARY - DIRECTOR

Mr. James Durrett
Oil Conservation Commission
Box 871
Santa Fe, New Mexico

Re: Great American Oil Company

Dear Jim:

We have received some forms from Great American Oil Company,
but none of the forms indicate an intent to either complete
or abandon the wells.

Yours very truly

A. R. Kendrick
Engineer, District #3

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Memo

From
A. R. Kendrick
Engineer

To Jim:

The attached is from
the president of the
Great American Oil Co.

Re: Plugging Case
October 1962

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JOSEPH MASSAGLIA, JR., PRESIDENT

THE MIRAMAR
SANTA MONICA, CALIFORNIA

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Dear Mary

I have complied in part
with the order of the Commission
but due to the weather conditions
it has been absolutely impossible
to comply with the whole order.
I have said that have to a
company in Denver and should be
completed next week. Thanks
for your patience. Give my
Regards to all

Sincerely

Billy Trafford

P.S. I will give you the name of the
new company who deal is finished.

FRED E. WHITE
JAMES W. MUSGROVE

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WHITE & MUSGROVE
ATTORNEYS AT LAW
FARMINGTON, NEW MEXICO
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February 25, 1963

112 N. BEHREND
PHONE 325-1956

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

Att'n: James M. Durrett, Jr.

Re: Case No. 2665, Great American
Oil Company, Well plugging.
Our File No. 758

Dear Jim:

Thank you for your letter of January 2, 1963. I have finally contacted Mr. Stafford of Great American Oil Company, and he wrote on February 12, 1963, that they were trying to do everything possible to comply with the Order. He stated that they had been unable to get to the well due to the snow and the condition of the land, and that he had written Emory Arnold about the reason for the delay. He further stated that he had complied in part on the Order and that the rest of the Order would be complied with within the very near future.

I never did receive a copy of the Order which I assume was entered in this case, and would appreciate receiving same at your earliest convenience. By copy of this letter, I am advising the Aztec District Office of the matters herein stated.

Very truly yours,

WHITE & MUSGROVE

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FEW/ems

cc: Oil Conservation Commission
1000 Rio Brazos Road
Aztec, New Mexico
Billy Joe Stafford
Great American Oil Company
General Delivery - Station C - Albuquerque, New Mexico.

OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION
P. O. BOX 871
SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

February 28, 1963

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Fred E. White, Esq.
White & Musgrove
Attorneys at Law
112 North Behrend
Farmington, New Mexico

Re: Case No. 2663, Great American
Oil Company, Well Plugging --
Your File No. 758

Dear Fred:

Thank you for your letter of February 25, 1963. An order has not yet been entered in this case as it was stipulated at the hearing that the wells would be transferred to another operator, producing, or plugged and abandoned in accordance with a Commission-approved plugging program on or before February 15, 1963. A plugging order was to be issued by the Commission if one of these three events had not occurred by February 15, 1963. In view of the stipulation at the hearing, the Commission did not desire to enter an order requiring the wells to be plugged by February 15, 1963, as we realize that it is difficult to sell a well which the Commission has ordered plugged. However, since your requirements of the stipulation were not met by February 15, 1963, the Commission has no alternative other than to issue an order that the wells be plugged. We are presently preparing such an order and will forward a copy of the same to you immediately upon its issuance.

Thank you for your cooperation in this case.

Very truly yours,

JAMES M. DURRETT, Jr.,
Special Assistant Attorney General

JMD/esr

cc: Mr. Emery C. Arnold, District Supervisor
Oil Conservation Commission
1000 Rio Brasos Road
Artec, New Mexico

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1000 RIO BRAZOS ROAD
AZTEC, NEW MEXICO

March 1, 1963

STATE GEOLOGIST
A. L. PORTER, JR.
SECRETARY - DIRECTOR

Mr. D. S. Nutter
Oil Conservation Commission
Box 871
Santa Fe, New Mexico

Re: Case No. 2665, Great American Oil Co.
Well Plugging

Dear Dan:

We prefer that the resultant order from subject case does not show the plugging pattern for the affected wells. We would rather have the regular Forms C-102 for approval prior to the plugging operation so that we can witness the plugging.

The contractor who does the plugging should be able to move in and out prior to June 1, 1963.

If the order must show a plugging program, please use the following:

John Sargent Estate #1, N-4-1S-2E (M & B): Set cement plugs as follows:

- 60 sacks from 800' to 1022' (P.B.T.D.)
- 70 sacks from 400' to 650' or 25 sacks across pipe stub if casing is cut and pulled.
- 20 sacks from 70' to 120'
- 10 sacks from surface to 10' with required steel pipe marker.
- Heavy-mud plugs to be used between cement plugs.

John Sargent Estate #3, K-32-1N-2E (M & B): Set Cement plugs as follows:

- 60 sacks from 1000' to 1215' (T.D.)
- 100 sacks from 500' to 900'.
- 80 sacks from 100' to 400'.
- 10 sacks from surface to 10', with required steel pipe marker.
- Heavy Mud plugs to be used between cement plugs.

John Sargent Estate #5, P-4-1S-2E (M & B): Set Cement plugs as follows:

- 16 sacks from 1150' to 1213' (T.D.)
- 120 sacks from 550' to 1000'.
- 70 sacks from 70' to 320'.
- 10 sacks from surface to 10' with required steel pipe marker.
- Heavy mud plugs to be used between cement plugs.

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All pits to be filled. All locations to be cleaned of debris and graded.

Yours very truly



A. R. Kendrick
Engineer, Dist. #3

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Attorneys at Law
112 North Behrend
Farmington, New Mexico

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SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

3-22-63 (Order # 859992)

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SENT TO **Fred E. White, Esq.**

White & Musgrove

STREET AND NO. **Attorneys at Law**

112 North Behrend

CITY AND STATE **Farmington, New Mexico**

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SENT TO **United States Fidelity & Guaranty Company, Attn: Mr. Jason**

STREET AND NO. **Rogers**

301 San Mateo S.E.

CITY AND STATE **Albuquerque, New Mexico**

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SENT TO **Mr. Billy Joe Stafford**

Great American Oil Company

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CITY AND STATE **Albuquerque, New Mexico**

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Paul White
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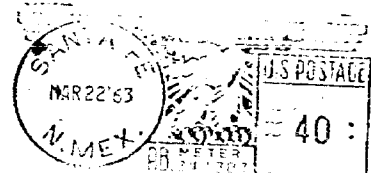
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**Re: Case No. 2663, Order No. R-2453,
Great American Oil Company, Well
Plugging**

Dear Fred:

I am enclosing herewith a certified copy of Order No. R-2453 entered by the Commission on March 20, 1963. I also am, by copies of this letter, forwarding certified copies of this order to your client and the surety on the Great American Oil Company plugging bond.

Please note that the order requires all of the wells to be plugged on or before May 1, 1963, and that Mr. Emery Arnold, District Supervisor, Oil Conservation Commission, Artec, New Mexico, must be notified of the exact time and date plugging operations on each well are to commence.

Please contact me if you desire any additional information concerning this matter.

Very truly yours,

J. M. Durrett, Jr.

**J. M. DURRETT, Jr.,
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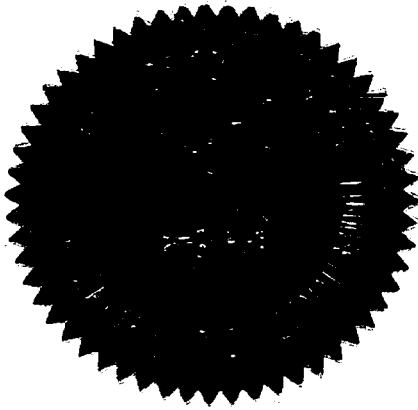
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I, A. L. PORTER, Jr., Secretary-Director of the New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission, do hereby certify that this is a true and correct copy of Commission Order No. R-2453 entered by the Commission on March 20, 1963.


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

March 21, 1963



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have affixed my hand and notarial seal this 21st day of March, 1963.


Notary Public

My Commission Expires:
September 22, 1965

BEFORE THE OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO

IN THE MATTER OF THE HEARING CALLED BY THE OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION, ON ITS OWN MOTION, TO PERMIT GREAT AMERICAN OIL COMPANY AND ALL INTERESTED PARTIES TO APPEAR AND SHOW CAUSE WHY THE FOLLOWING WELLS SHOULD NOT BE PLUGGED IN ACCORDANCE WITH A COMMISSION-APPROVED PLUGGING PROGRAM:

- (1) JOHN SARGENT ESTATE WELL NO. 5, LOCATED 380 FEET FROM THE EAST LINE AND 880 FEET FROM THE SOUTH LINE OF SECTION 4, TOWNSHIP 1 SOUTH, RANGE 2 EAST, MARTIN & BORDERS SURVEY, RIO ARriba COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.
- (2) JOHN SARGENT ESTATE WELL NO. 1, LOCATED 940 FEET FROM THE SOUTH LINE AND 1620 FEET FROM THE WEST LINE OF SECTION 4, TOWNSHIP 1 SOUTH, RANGE 2 EAST, MARTIN & BORDERS SURVEY, RIO ARriba COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.
- (3) JOHN SARGENT ESTATE WELL NO. 3, LOCATED 2380 FEET FROM THE SOUTH LINE AND 1980 FEET FROM THE WEST LINE OF SECTION 32, TOWNSHIP 1 NORTH, RANGE 2 EAST, MARTIN & BORDERS SURVEY, RIO ARriba COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

CASE No. 2643
Order No. R-2453

ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

BY THE COMMISSION:

This cause came on for hearing at 9 o'clock a.m. on October 18, 1962, at Farmington, New Mexico, before the Oil Conservation Commission of New Mexico, hereinafter referred to as the "Commission."

NOW, on this 20th day of March, 1963, the Commission, a quorum being present, having considered the evidence and being otherwise 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 Great American Oil Company is the owner and operator of the following wells:

John Sargent Estate Well No. 5, located 380 feet from the East line and 880 feet from the South line of Section 4, Township 1 South, Range 2 East, Martin & Borders Survey, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico.

John Sargent Estate Well No. 1, located 940 feet from the South line and 1620 feet from the West line of Section 4, Township 1 South, Range 2 East, Martin & Borders Survey, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico.

John Sargent Estate Well No. 3, located 2380 feet from the South line and 1980 feet from the West line of Section 32, Township 1 North, Range 2 East, Martin & Borders Survey, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico.

(3) That the attorney for Great American Oil Company stipulated at the hearing that the Commission should enter an order requiring the wells to be plugged in accordance with a Commission-approved plugging program if the three subject wells were not producing or plugged in accordance with a Commission-approved plugging program on or before February 15, 1963.

(4) That the three subject wells were not producing or plugged in accordance with a Commission-approved plugging program on February 15, 1963.

(5) That the subject wells are causing or will cause waste and should be plugged in a manner which will confine permanently all oil, gas, and water in the separate strata originally containing them.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

(1) That Great American Oil Company is hereby ordered to plug the John Sargent Estate Well No. 5, located 380 feet from the East line and 880 feet from the South line of Section 4, Township 1 South, Range 2 East, Martin & Borders Survey, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico, in accordance with the following minimum plugging requirements:

- (1) Set a 16-sack cement plug from approximately 1150 feet to 1213 feet.
- (2) Set a 120-sack cement plug from approximately 550 feet to 1000 feet.
- (3) Set a 70-sack cement plug from approximately 70 feet to 320 feet.
- (4) Set a 5-sack cement surface plug.
- (5) Fill all intervals between cement plugs with mud weighing not less than ten pounds per gallon.

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- (6) Set in the surface plug a regulation steel marker not less than four inches in diameter and extending at least four feet above mean ground level.

(2) That Great American Oil Company is hereby ordered to plug the John Sargent Estate Well No. 1, located 940 feet from the south line and 1620 feet from the West line of Section 4, Township 1 South, Range 2 East, Martin & Borders Survey, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico, in accordance with the following minimum plugging requirements:

- (1) Set a 60-sack cement plug from approximately 800 feet to 1022 feet.
- (2) Set a 70-sack cement plug from approximately 400 feet to 650 feet.
- (3) Set a 20-sack cement plug from approximately 70 feet to 120 feet.
- (4) Set a 5-sack cement surface plug.
- (5) Fill all intervals between cement plugs with mud weighing not less than ten pounds per gallon.
- (6) Set in the surface plug a regulation steel marker not less than four inches in diameter and extending at least four feet above mean ground level.

(3) That Great American Oil Company is hereby ordered to plug the John Sargent Estate Well No. 3, located 2380 feet from the south line and 1900 feet from the West line of Section 12, Township 1 North, Range 2 East, Martin & Borders Survey, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico, in accordance with the following minimum plugging requirements:

- (1) Set a 60-sack cement plug from approximately 1000 feet to 1215 feet.
- (2) Set a 100-sack cement plug from approximately 500 feet to 900 feet.
- (3) Set an 80-sack cement plug from approximately 100 feet to 400 feet.
- (4) Set a 5-sack cement surface plug.

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- (5) Fill all intervals between cement plugs with mud weighing not less than ten pounds per gallon.
- (6) Set in the surface plug a regulation steel marker not less than four inches in diameter and extending at least four feet above mean ground level.

(4) That, as an alternative, Great American Oil Company is ~~hereby~~ authorized to plug all three of the subject wells in accordance with the following plugging requirements:

- (1) Fill the hole with cement from total depth to the surface.
- (2) Set at the surface a regulation steel marker not less than four inches in diameter and extending at least four feet above mean ground level.

(5) That the plugging of all of the subject wells shall be completed on or before May 1, 1963, and that Great American Oil Company shall notify the District Supervisor, District XII, Oil Conservation Commission, Alton, New Mexico, of the exact time and date plugging operations on each well are to commence.

(6) That jurisdiction of this cause is retained for the entry of such further orders as the Commission may deem necessary.

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

STATE OF NEW MEXICO
OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

JACK M. CAMPBELL, Chairman

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112 North Behrend
Farmington, New Mexico

Re: Case No. 2665, Order No. R-2453,
Great American Oil Company, Well
Plugging

Dear Fred:

I am enclosing herewith a certified copy of Order No. R-2453 entered by the Commission on March 20, 1963. I also am, by copies of this letter, forwarding certified copies of this order to your client and the surety on the Great American Oil Company plugging bond.

Please note that the order requires all of the wells to be plugged on or before May 1, 1963, and that Mr. Emery Arnold, District Supervisor, Oil Conservation Commission, Artec, New Mexico, must be notified of the exact time and date plugging operations on each well are to commence.

Please contact me if you desire any additional information concerning this matter.

Very truly yours,

J. M. DURRETT, JR.,
Special Assistant Attorney General

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**cc: Mr. Billy Joe Stafford
Great American Oil Company
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Albuquerque, New Mexico**

**United States Fidelity & Guaranty Company
Attention: Mr. Jason Rogers
301 San Mateo, S.E.
Albuquerque, New Mexico**

**Mr. Henry Arnold
District Supervisor
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Artes, New Mexico**

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May 1, 1963

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Mr. Al R. Kendrick
Engineer, District No. III
Oil Conservation Commission
1000 Rio Brasos Road
Artes, New Mexico

Re: Case No. 2665, Order No. R-2453,
Great American Oil Company, Well
Plugging

Dear Al:

Please advise me of the status of the Great
American Oil Company wells. I plan to file suit
within the next couple of weeks if the wells are
not plugged.

Very truly yours,

J. M. DURRETT, JR.,
Attorney

JMD/esr

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SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

April 15, 1963

**Fred E. White, Esq.
White and Macgrove
Attorneys at Law
111 North Behrend
Farmington, New Mexico**

**Re: Case No. 2665, Order No. R-2453,
Great American Oil Company, Well
Plugging**

Dear Fred:

Mr. A. R. Kendrick, Engineer, District No. III, Oil Conservation Commission, Antec, New Mexico, has advised me that a field inspection on April 9, 1963, disclosed that the roads to the John Sargent Estate Wells No. 1, No. 3, and No. 5 are dry and passable, and that a plugging rig can be moved in on the existing road. Please advise Mr. Stafford that he should begin plugging operations in the immediate future in order to comply with Order No. R-2453.

The Commission will have no alternative other than to file suit against the Great American Oil Company and United States Fidelity & Guaranty Company if the requirements of Order No. R-2453 are not fully met by May 1, 1963.

Very truly yours,

**J. M. DURRANT, Jr.,
Special Assistant Attorney General**

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**cc: United States Fidelity & Guaranty Company
301 San Mateo, S.E.
Albuquerque, New Mexico
Attention: Mr. Jason Rogers**

**Mr. A. R. Kendrick, Engineer, District No. III
Oil Conservation Commission
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E. S. JOHNNY WALKER
MEMBER

1000 RIO BRAZOS ROAD
AZTEC, NEW MEXICO

April 10, 1963

STATE GEOLOGIST
A. L. PORTER, JR.
SECRETARY - DIRECTOR

Mr. James Durrett
Box 871
Santa Fe, New Mexico

Re: Great American Oil Company
Sargent Estate Lease

Dear Jim:

The road to the wells on subject lease is dry and passable. I drove to wells #1 and #3 yesterday.

Someone had been to the location of the #3 well to haul out some drilling tools.

I think that a plugging rig can be moved in on the existing road.

Yours very truly

A. R. Kendrick

A. R. Kendrick
Engineer, District #3

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Great American well
plugging case file

Alan Garner 45F & G

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delay in correspondence. He will take
bids and let contracts immediately to plug
and notify us by mail.

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July 5, 1963

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United States Fidelity & Guaranty Company
301 San Mateo, S.E.
~~Albuquerque~~, New Mexico

Attention: Mr. Jason Rogers

Re: Case No. 2665, Order No. R-2453,
Great American Oil Company,
\$10,000 Blanket Well Plugging Bond

Gentlemen:

Mr. A. R. Hendrick, Engineer, Oil Conservation Commission, District No. 3, Artec, New Mexico, has advised me that the Great American Oil Company John Sargent Estate wells have been satisfactorily plugged in accordance with a Commission-approved plugging program. We therefore release our demand concerning these wells.

Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

Very truly yours,

J. M. DURRETT, Jr.
Special Assistant
Attorney General

JMD/ear

cc: Mr. A. R. Hendrick, Engineer
Oil Conservation Commission, District No. 3
1000 Rio Brazos Road - Artec, New Mexico

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1000 RIO BRAZOS ROAD
AZTEC, NEW MEXICO

STATE GEOLOGIST
A. L. PORTER, JR.
SECRETARY - DIRECTOR

June 28, 1963

Mr. J. M. Durrett, Jr.
Oil Conservation Commission
Santa Fe, New Mexico

Re: Case No. 2665, Order R-2453
Great American Oil Company

Dear Jim:

We received the subsequent reports today of the plugging of wells as required by subject order.

I witnessed the plugging operations of the three wells. They were plugged in accordance with my recommendations when the status of each hole was determined.

I believe the surety company has fulfilled its obligation in this case. Your copies of the forms C-103 will be forwarded in the near future.

Yours very truly

A. R. Kendrick
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Engineer, District #3

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P. O. BOX 871
SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

June 19, 1963

United States Fidelity & Guaranty Company
115 1/2 East Main
Farmington, New Mexico

**Re: Case No. 2665, Order No. R-2453,
Great American Oil Company, \$10,000
Blanket Well Plugging Bond**

Gentlemen:

Mr. A. R. Kendrick, Engineer, Oil Conservation Commission District No. 3, Artes, New Mexico, advised me today that your company had recently contacted him concerning plugging operations on the Great American Oil Company John Sargent Estate Wells and that you were proceeding with due diligence to plug the wells. Therefore, please disregard my letter of June 18, 1963.

Suit will not be filed as long as you are proceeding to plug the wells with due diligence.

Very truly yours,

**J. M. DURRITT, Jr.,
Special Assistant
Attorney General**

JMD/esr

**cc: Mr. A. R. Kendrick, Engineer
Oil Conservation Commission
District No. 3
1000 Rio Grason Road
Artes, New Mexico**

**United States Fidelity & Guaranty Company
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Albuquerque, New Mexico
Attention: Mr. Jason Rogers**

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OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION
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June 18, 1963

United States Fidelity and Guaranty Company
115 1/2 East Main
Farmington, New Mexico

Re: Case No. 2665, Order No. R-2453,
Great American Oil Company, \$10,000
Blanket Well Plugging Bond

Gentlemen:

On May 7, 1963, Mr. Don Garner, USF&G, Farmington, New Mexico, advised me over the telephone that your company would take bids and let plugging contracts immediately on the Great American Oil Company John Sargent Estate Wells Nos. 1, 3, and 5, pursuant to the above order. On June 10, 1963, Mr. A. R. Hendrick, Engineer, Oil Conservation Commission District No. 3, Artec, New Mexico, advised me that although a plugging contractor had stopped by to discuss the requirements of the operation stating that he had been asked for a bid on the job, the District Office in Artec had not yet been notified of the time and date plugging operations were to commence.

As your principal is now in default under the provisions of Order No. R-2453, the Commission will be forced to file suit against the Great American Oil Company, as principal, and your company, as surety, on the \$10,000 Blanket Well Plugging Bond if these wells are not immediately plugged.

Very truly yours,

J. M. DURRANT, Jr.,
Special Assistant
Attorney General

JMD/ear

cc: Mr. A. R. Hendrick, Engineer
Oil Conservation Commission District No. 3
1000 Rio Brazos Road
Artec, New Mexico

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June 10, 1963

Mr. James M. Durrett, Jr.
Oil Conservation Commission
P. O. Box 871
Santa Fe, New Mexico

Re: Case No. 2665, Order
No. R-2453


Dear Jim:

I understand that U.S.F. & G. has changed personnel in Farmington. The new man has not contacted us yet.

However, a plugging contractor has stopped by to discuss the requirements of the operation. He said that he had been asked for a bid on the job.

Sorry, we can't close the files yet.

Yours very truly,


A. R. Kendrick
Engineer, District #3

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OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

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SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

June 7, 1963

Mr. Al R. Kendrick
Engineer, District No. 3
Oil Conservation Commission
1000 Rio Brazos Road
Albuquerque, New Mexico

Re: Case No. 2665, Order No. R-2453,
Great American Oil Company, Well
Plugging

Dear Al:

On May 7, 1963, Mr. Dan Garner, USF&G, Farmington,
New Mexico, called me and stated that he would take bids
and let plugging contracts immediately on these wells.

Please advise me as to whether or not he has con-
tacted you concerning the matter.

If the wells have been plugged, we need C-103 forms
to close our files.

Very truly yours,

J. M. DURRITT, Jr.,
Attorney

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OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION
P. O. BOX 871
SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

June 7, 1963

Mr. Al R. Kendrick
Engineer, District No. 3
Oil Conservation Commission
1000 Rio Brazos Road
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Attorney

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BEFORE THE
OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION
Farmington, New Mexico
October 18, 1962

IN THE MATTER OF:

CASE 2665: the hearing called by the Oil Conservation Commission, on its own motion, to permit Great American Oil Company and all interested parties to appear and show cause why the following wells should not be plugged in accordance with a Commission-approved plugging program:

- (1) John Sargent Estate Well No. 5, located 380 feet from the East line and 880 feet from the South line of Section 4, Township 1 South, Range 2 East, Martin & Borders Survey, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico.
- (2) John Sargent Estate Well No. 1, located 940 feet from the South line and 1620 feet from the West line of Section 4, Township 1 South, Range 2 East, Martin & Borders Survey, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico.
- (3) John Sargent Estate Well No. 3, located 2380 feet from the South line and 1980 feet from the West line of Section 32, Township 1 North Range 2 East, Martin & Borders Survey, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico.

BEFORE: Honorable Edwin L. Mechem, Governor
Mr. A. L. "Pete" Porter, Land Commissioner
Mr. E. G. "Johnny" Walker, Secretary-Director

TRANSCRIPT OF HEARING

MR. PORTER: The Hearing will come to order, please.

The Commission will take up next Case 2665.

MR. DURRETT: In the matter of the Hearing called by the Oil Conservation Commission, on its own motion, to permit Great

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American Oil Company and all interested parties to appear and show cause why the three wells in Rio Arriba County should not be plugged in accordance with a Commission approved plugging program.

If the Commission please, my name is James Durrett, and I am representing the Commission and its staff and I have read that the Commission has asked Great American Oil Company to appear and show cause why the three wells, as shown on the docket, should not be plugged in accordance with the Commission-approved plugging program. It is my belief that the attorney is here for the Great American Oil Company; and that he desires to enter a stipulation. If the Commission please, I would like to hear the stipulation.

MR. WHITE: I am Fred White, attorney-at-law, Farmington, New Mexico, representing Great American Oil Company. The stipulation that we are willing to enter would read as follows: "That the John Sargent Estate Well #5, located 380 feet from the east line and 880 feet from the south line of Section 4, T-1-S, R-2-E, Martin & Borders Survey, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico; and John Sargent Estate Well #1 located 940 feet from the south line and 1,620 feet from the west line of Section 4, T-1-S, R-2-E, Martin and Borders Survey, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico; and John Sargent Estate Well #3, located 2,380 feet from the south line and 1,980 feet from the west line of Section 32, T-1-N, R-2-E, Martin and Borders Survey, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico, shall be properly reworked by February 15, 1962 or plugged and abandoned by that date; provided, however, that in the event the well is to be plugged and abandoned it shall

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be done in accordance with the Commission-approved plugging program; that jurisdiction of this cause is retained by the Commission for the entry of such further orders as the Commission may deem necessary"; and that would be the end of the stipulation. I would like to show the Commission that the President, Billy Jo Stafford, was in California at the time he received notice of the hearing. He is out there on the business of trying to sell these very three wells. It looks like the deal will go through and it will be about 30 days until we can start to work then; and that is the reason we would like the extension to February 15, at which time they either have to be plugged and abandoned or reworked at that date; and if the Commission could see fit to issue this order, then we could have it plugged or in a reworkable condition.

MR. DURRETT: For the purpose of clarification, what is the first date?

MR. WHITE: The first date is that if the operation can be completed, the operation concerning the sale will -- will take place about the 10th or the middle of November and this will allow 30 days to recomplete the well.

MR. DURRETT: And the second date?

MR. WHITE: And the cutoff date in any event is February 16, 1962. At that time they will either be producing or plugged and abandoned.

MR. DURRETT: Would you also be willing to stipulate that if they are not producing by February 15, an order could automat-



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locally be issued from the Commission to plug it without a hearing?

MR. WHITE: I think, if the Commission would enter this order with that provision, it would be satisfactory, because this is certainly as long as they expect to take; and I advised my client that if they couldn't get it working, they would have it plugged and abandoned or they would know exactly what they would be doing by the February 15th date.

MR. DURRETT: You would be stipulating that?

MR. WHITE: Yes.

MR. DURRETT: I would like to recommend to the Commission that this stipulation be accepted.

MR. PORTER: Does anyone else have anything to say in this case, any comments on the stipulation or Commission Counsel's motion?

The Commission will accept the stipulations.

MR. WHITE: Now, would you mail me a copy of the order as soon as you have it prepared?

MR. PORTER: You mean the one accepting, the issue of an order accepting the stipulation?

MR. WHITE: Yes.

MR. PORTER: Yes.



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STATE OF NEW MEXICO)
COUNTY OF BERNALILLO) ss

I, STEPHEN McCRYTAL, 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.

Stephen M. Crystal



BEFORE THE OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO

IN THE MATTER OF THE HEARING CALLED BY THE OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION, ON ITS OWN MOTION, TO PERMIT GREAT AMERICAN OIL COMPANY AND ALL INTERESTED PARTIES TO APPEAR AND SHOW CAUSE WHY THE FOLLOWING WELLS SHOULD NOT BE PLUGGED IN ACCORDANCE WITH A COMMISSION-APPROVED PLUGGING PROGRAM:

- (1) JOHN SARGENT ESTATE WELL NO. 5, LOCATED 380 FEET FROM THE EAST LINE AND 880 FEET FROM THE SOUTH LINE OF SECTION 4, TOWNSHIP 1 SOUTH, RANGE 2 EAST, MARTIN & BORDERS SURVEY, RIO ARRIBA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.
- (2) JOHN SARGENT ESTATE WELL NO. 1, LOCATED 940 FEET FROM THE SOUTH LINE AND 1620 FEET FROM THE WEST LINE OF SECTION 4, TOWNSHIP 1 SOUTH, RANGE 2 EAST, MARTIN & BORDERS SURVEY, RIO ARRIBA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.
- (3) JOHN SARGENT ESTATE WELL NO. 3, LOCATED 2380 FEET FROM THE SOUTH LINE AND 1980 FEET FROM THE WEST LINE OF SECTION 32, TOWNSHIP 1 NORTH, RANGE 2 EAST, MARTIN & BORDERS SURVEY, RIO ARRIBA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

CASE No. 2665
Order No. R-2453

ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

BY THE COMMISSION:

This cause came on for hearing at 9 o'clock a.m. on October 18, 1962, at Farmington, New Mexico, before the Oil Conservation Commission of New Mexico, hereinafter referred to as the "Commission."

NOW, on this 20th day of March, 1963, the Commission, a quorum being present, having considered the evidence and being otherwise 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 Great American Oil Company is the owner and operator of the following wells:

John Sargent Estate Well No. 5, located 380 feet from the East line and 880 feet from the South line of Section 4, Township 1 South, Range 2 East, Martin & Borders Survey, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico.

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John Sargent Estate Well No. 1, located 940 feet from the South line and 1620 feet from the West line of Section 4, Township 1 South, Range 2 East, Martin & Borders Survey, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico.

John Sargent Estate Well No. 3, located 2380 feet from the South line and 1980 feet from the West line of Section 32, Township 1 North, Range 2 East, Martin & Borders Survey, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico.

(3) That the attorney for Great American Oil Company stipulated at the hearing that the Commission should enter an order requiring the wells to be plugged in accordance with a Commission-approved plugging program if the three subject wells were not producing or plugged in accordance with a Commission-approved plugging program on or before February 15, 1963.

(4) That the three subject wells were not producing or plugged in accordance with a Commission-approved plugging program on February 15, 1963.

(5) That the subject wells are causing or will cause waste and should be plugged in a manner which will confine permanently all oil, gas, and water in the separate strata originally containing them.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

(1) That Great American Oil Company is hereby ordered to plug the John Sargent Estate Well No. 5, located 380 feet from the East line and 880 feet from the South line of Section 4, Township 1 South, Range 2 East, Martin & Borders Survey, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico, in accordance with the following minimum plugging requirements:

- (1) Set a 16-sack cement plug from approximately 1150 feet to 1213 feet.
- (2) Set a 120-sack cement plug from approximately 550 feet to 1000 feet.
- (3) Set a 70-sack cement plug from approximately 70 feet to 320 feet.
- (4) Set a 5-sack cement surface plug.
- (5) Fill all intervals between cement plugs with mud weighing not less than ten pounds per gallon.

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- (6) Set in the surface plug a regulation steel marker not less than four inches in diameter and extending at least four feet above mean ground level.

(2) That Great American Oil Company is hereby ordered to plug the John Sargent Estate Well No. 1, located 940 feet from the south line and 1620 feet from the West line of Section 4, Township 1 South, Range 2 East, Martin & Borders Survey, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico, in accordance with the following minimum plugging requirements:

- (1) Set a 60-sack cement plug from approximately 800 feet to 1022 feet.
- (2) Set a 70-sack cement plug from approximately 400 feet to 650 feet.
- (3) Set a 20-sack cement plug from approximately 70 feet to 120 feet.
- (4) Set a 5-sack cement surface plug.
- (5) Fill all intervals between cement plugs with mud weighing not less than ten pounds per gallon.
- (6) Set in the surface plug a regulation steel marker not less than four inches in diameter and extending at least four feet above mean ground level.

(3) That Great American Oil Company is hereby ordered to plug the John Sargent Estate Well No. 3, located 2380 feet from the south line and 1980 feet from the West line of Section 32, Township 1 North, Range 2 East, Martin & Borders Survey, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico, in accordance with the following minimum plugging requirements:

- (1) Set a 60-sack cement plug from approximately 1000 feet to 1215 feet.
- (2) Set a 100-sack cement plug from approximately 500 feet to 900 feet.
- (3) Set an 80-sack cement plug from approximately 100 feet to 400 feet.
- (4) Set a 5-sack cement surface plug.

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- (5) Fill all intervals between cement plugs with mud weighing not less than ten pounds per gallon.
 - (6) Set in the surface plug a regulation steel marker not less than four inches in diameter and extending at least four feet above mean ground level.
- (4) That, as an alternative, Great American Oil Company is hereby authorized to plug all three of the subject wells in accordance with the following plugging requirements:
- (1) Fill the hole with cement from total depth to the surface.
 - (2) Set at the surface a regulation steel marker not less than four inches in diameter and extending at least four feet above mean ground level.
- (5) That the plugging of all of the subject wells shall be completed on or before May 1, 1963, and that Great American Oil Company shall notify the District Supervisor, District III, Oil Conservation Commission, Artec, New Mexico, of the exact time and date plugging operations on each well are to commence.
- (6) That jurisdiction of this cause is retained for the entry of such further orders as the Commission may deem necessary.
- DONE at Santa Fe, New Mexico, on the day and year hereinabove designated.

STATE OF NEW MEXICO
OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION



Jack M. Campbell

JACK M. CAMPBELL, Chairman

E. S. Walker

E. S. WALKER, Member

A. L. Porter, Jr.

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

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BEFORE THE OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO

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No need to forget to
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IN THE MATTER OF THE HEARING CALLED BY THE OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION, ON ITS OWN MOTION, TO PERMIT GREAT AMERICAN OIL COMPANY AND ALL INTERESTED PARTIES TO APPEAR AND SHOW CAUSE WHY THE FOLLOWING WELLS SHOULD NOT BE PLUGGED IN ACCORDANCE WITH A COMMISSION-APPROVED PLUGGING PROGRAM:

- (1) JOHN SARGENT ESTATE WELL NO. 5, LOCATED 380 FEET FROM THE EAST LINE AND 880 FEET FROM THE SOUTH LINE OF SECTION 4, TOWNSHIP 1 SOUTH, RANGE 2 EAST, MARTIN & BORDERS SURVEY, RIO ARriba COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.
- (2) JOHN SARGENT ESTATE WELL NO. 1, LOCATED 940 FEET FROM THE SOUTH LINE AND 1620 FEET FROM THE WEST LINE OF SECTION 4, TOWNSHIP 1 SOUTH, RANGE 2 EAST, MARTIN & BORDERS SURVEY, RIO ARriba COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.
- (3) JOHN SARGENT ESTATE WELL NO. 3, LOCATED 2380 FEET FROM THE SOUTH LINE AND 1980 FEET FROM THE WEST LINE OF SECTION 32, TOWNSHIP 1 NORTH, RANGE 2 EAST, MARTIN & BORDERS SURVEY, RIO ARriba COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

CASE No. 2665

Order No. R-2453

ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

BY THE COMMISSION:

This cause came on for hearing at 9 o'clock a.m. on October 18, 1962, at Farmington, New Mexico, before the Oil Conservation Commission of New Mexico, hereinafter referred to as the "Commission."

NOW, on this March day of ~~February~~, 1963, the Commission, a quorum being present, having considered the evidence and being otherwise 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 Great American Oil Company is the owner and operator of the following wells:

John Sargent Estate Well No. 5, located 380 feet from the East line and 880 feet from the South line of Section 4, Township 1 South, Range 2 East, Martin & Borders Survey, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico.

John Sargent Estate Well No. 1, located 940 feet from the South line and 1620 feet from the West line of

Section 4, Township 1 South, Range 2 East, Martin & Borders Survey, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico.

John Sargent Estate Well No. 3, located 2380 feet from the South line and 1980 feet from the West line of Section 32, Township 1 North, Range 2 East, Martin & Borders Survey, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico.

(3) That the attorney for Great American Oil Company stipulated at the hearing ~~of this case~~ that the Commission should enter an order requiring the wells to be plugged in accordance with a Commission-approved plugging program if the three subject wells were not producing or plugged in accordance with a Commission-approved plugging program on or before February 15, 1963.

(4) That the three subject wells were not producing or ~~properly~~ plugged in accordance with a Commission-approved plugging program on February 15, 1963.

(5) That the subject wells are causing or will cause waste and should be plugged in a manner which will confine permanently all oil, gas, and water in the separate strata originally containing them.

(6) That the John Sargent Estate Well No. 1 should be plugged in accordance with the following minimum plugging requirements:

- (1) Set a 60-sack cement plug ~~between the interval~~ from approximately 800 feet to 1022 feet.
- (2) Set a 70-sack cement plug ~~between the interval~~ from approximately 400 feet to 650 feet.
- (3) Set a 20-sack cement plug ~~between the interval~~ from approximately 70 feet to 120 feet.
- (4) Set a 10-sack cement surface plug.
- (5) Fill all intervals between cement plugs with mud weighing not less than ten pounds per gallon.
- (6) Set in the surface plug a regulation steel marker not less than four inches

- ~~(4) Set a ~~30~~-sack cement surface plug.~~
- ~~(5) Fill all intervals between cement plugs with mud weighing not less than ten pounds per gallon.~~
- ~~(6) Set in the surface plug a regulation steel marker not less than four inches in diameter and extending at least four feet above mean ground level.~~

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

(2) That Great American Oil Company is hereby ordered to plug the John Sargent Estate Well No. 1, located 940 feet from the South line and 1620 feet from the West line of Section 4, Township 1 South, Range 2 East, Martin & Borders Survey, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico, in accordance with the following minimum plugging requirements:

- (1) Set a 60-sack cement plug ~~between the interval~~ from approximately 800 feet to 1022 feet.
- (2) Set a 70-sack cement plug ~~between the interval~~ from approximately 400 feet to 650 feet.
- (3) Set a 20-sack cement plug ~~between the interval~~ from approximately 70 feet to 120 feet.
- (4) Set a ⁵~~30~~-sack cement surface plug.
- (5) Fill all intervals between cement plugs with mud weighing not less than ten pounds per gallon.
- (6) Set in the surface plug a regulation steel marker not less than four inches in diameter and extending at least four feet above mean ground level.

(2) That Great American Oil Company is hereby ordered to plug the John Sargent Estate Well No. 3, located 2380 feet from

the South line and 1980 feet from the West line of Section 32, Township 1 North, Range 2 East, Martin & Borders Survey, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico, in accordance with the following minimum plugging requirements:

- (1) Set a 60-sack cement plug ~~between the interval~~ from approximately 1000 feet to 1215 feet.
- (2) Set a 100-sack cement plug ~~between the interval~~ from approximately 500 feet to 900 feet.
- (3) Set an 80-sack cement plug ~~between the interval~~ from approximately 100 feet to 400 feet.
- (4) Set a ⁵~~10~~-sack cement surface plug.
- (5) Fill all intervals between cement plugs with mud weighing not less than ten pounds per gallon.
- (6) Set in the surface plug a regulation steel marker not less than four inches in diameter and extending at least four feet above mean ground level.

(1) That Great American Oil Company is hereby ordered to plug the John Sargent Estate Well No. 5, located 380 feet from the East line and 880 feet from the South line of Section 4, Township 1 South, Range 2 East, Martin & Borders Survey, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico, in accordance with the following minimum plugging requirements:

- (1) Set a 16-sack cement plug ~~between the interval~~ from approximately 1150 feet to 1213 feet.
- (2) Set a 120-sack cement plug ~~between the interval~~ from approximately 550 feet to 1000 feet.
- (3) Set a 70-sack cement plug ~~between the~~

~~interval~~ from approximately 70 feet
to 320 feet.

- (4) Set a ~~5~~⁵-sack cement surface plug.
- (5) Fill all intervals between cement plugs with mud weighing not less than ten pounds per gallon.
- (6) Set in the surface plug a regulation steel marker not less than four inches in diameter and extending at least four feet above mean ground level.

(4)
 (5) That the plugging of all of the subject wells shall be completed on or before May 1, 1963, and that Great American Oil Company shall notify the District Supervisor, District III, Oil Conservation Commission, Aztec, New Mexico, of the exact time and date plugging operations on each well are to commence.

(6) That jurisdiction of this cause is retained for the entry of such further orders as the Commission may deem necessary.

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

STATE OF NEW MEXICO
OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

JACK M. CAMPBELL, Chairman

E. S. WALKER, Member

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

That, as an alternative, Great American Oil Company is hereby authorized to plug all three of the subject wells in accordance with the following ~~minimum~~ plugging requirements:

- (1) Fill the hole with cement from total depth to the surface.
- (2) Set in the surface a regulation steel marker not less than four inches in diameter and extending at least four feet above mean ground level.

Memo

From
D. S. NUTTER
CHIEF ENGINEER

To Emery & Al
We are getting ready
to enter the order re-
quiring the 3 great American
Sargent wheels to be plugged.
Please give us a def-
inite plugging program
for each.

Also, since it is probable
that these people will
want to delay this thing
further on the grounds
of weather conditions, we

Memo

From
D. S. NUTTER
CHIEF ENGINEER

To
would like a reasonable
deadline within which
this work can be done,
barring earthquake, flood,
or volcanic holocaust
only.