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BEFORE THE
OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION
Santa Fe, New Mexico
February 6, 1963

EXAMINER HEARING

IN THE MATTER OF:

The hearing called by the Oil Conservation Commission on its own motion to permit Continental National Insurance Group and all other interested parties to appear and show cause why the Kenneth V. Barbee Well No. 1, located 1980 feet from the South line and 660 feet from the East line of Section 9, Township 11 South, Range 25 East, NMPM, Chaves County, New Mexico, should not be plugged in accordance with a Commission-approved plugging program.

Case No. 2746

BEFORE:

Daniel S. Nutter, Examiner.

TRANSCRIPT OF HEARING

MR. NUTTER: The hearing will come to order, please.

The first case this morning will be Case 2746.

This is in the matter of the hearing called by the Oil Conservation Commission on its own motion to permit Continental National Insurance Group and all other interested parties to appear and show cause why the Kenneth V. Barbee Well Number 1 located in Section 9 of Township 11 South, Range 25 East should not be plugged in accordance with the Commission-approved plugging program.

MR. DURRETTE: My name is James Durette, appearing on



behalf of the Commission and its staff. I have one witness.

(Witness sworn.)

R I C H A R D L E E S T A M E T S

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

DIRECT EXAMINATION

BY MR. DUBBETTS:

Q Will you please state your full name and position for the record?

A Richard Lee Stamets. Geologist with the New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission in Artesia.

Q As part of your official duties, Mr. Stamets, do you supervise the plugging of wells in your district and make recommendations concerning this matter?

A Yes.

Q Are you familiar with the subject well in this case, designated the Kenneth V. Barbee Well Number 1?

A Yes, sir.

Q Is that the well located as described on the docket in this case and as advertised?

A Yes, sir, it is.

Q Now refer to the official file that you have, the official Commission file to refresh your memory if you need to do so; and will you please state the name of the operator as far as reflected on the Commission files?

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A This is M. R. Voltz.

Q To what document are you referring for that information?

A This is the C-101 Notice of Intention to Drill.

MR. DURRETTE: If the Examiner please, I would like to have this document marked as an exhibit and I will introduce it later on in the case and would request the right to substitute a copy of this document.

MR. NUTTER: That will be satisfactory.

Q (By Mr. Durette) Now, what date was that filed, according to our records, Mr. Stamets?

A This was filed and approved August 1, 1960.

Q Now, referring to the rest of your official file that you have there, what is the last piece of correspondence or form that you have concerning this well?

A The date that we received, the last date we received any information from the operator was December 2, 1960.

Q Based on that, would you believe that this well is now abandoned?

A Well, I have here a note from one of our inspectors, Howard Lobley, who inspected the well in July last year, and his inspection at that time showed that the well was shut in. The pump and tanks had been removed, so, based on the fact that we received no further reports from the operator after this inspection and my own personal inspection of the wellsite yesterday, I

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feel that is the case and has been for sometime.

Q Do you have a well record in your file, Mr. Stamets?

A You are referring to Form C105?

Q Yes.

A Yes, sir, we do.

Q Using that form to advise you as to the various formations involved or strata encountered in this well, do you feel that this well should be plugged in accordance with a Commission approved plugging program, in order to confine oil and gas in the strata in which they were originally found?

A Yes, sir, I do.

Q Do you have a plugging program that you would like to recommend to the Commission?

A Yes, the plugging program is one which would cement off the open-hole, the perforations in the oil zone and seal off any possibility of artesian waters escaping into other zones. This would entail putting 50 sacks of cement in the bottom of this hole, and this would be approximately 600 feet of cement. The hole total depth is 930 feet.

Q So you want a plug at the bottom?

A Yes, 50 sacks.

Q Do you have a recommendation concerning any plugging in the intermediate part of the well?

A Above this 50 sacks there should be mud-laden fluid and then a five-sack plug in the very top to support the surface marker.



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Q You want a five-sack cement plug at the surface?

A Yes, sir.

Q Do you have a recommendation concerning the marker; what I'm interested to know, do you recommend a regulation marker be placed in that surface plug?

A Yes.

Q I believe you did state, Mr. Stamets, for the record that you felt this should be done in the very near future?

A Yes, sir, it's been some time since operations have ceased on this well, and this should be taken care of as soon as possible.

Q Mr. Stamets, I hand you here a copy of a form which is at least designated at the top a "Blanket Plugging Bond Form, is that correct?

A Yes, sir.

Q Would you please read for the record the name of the operator or the principal on that form?

A M. R. Voltz.

Q Would you please refer to the, I believe, well, it's on the first page, the name of the surety company involved?

A It's the Continental Casualty Company, I believe, of the State of Illinois.

Q And referring to the second page of that bond, does that appear to be signed by Mr. M. R. Voltz?

A Yes, sir, it does.



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Q Is it signed by an agent as attorney-in-fact for the insurance company?

A Yes, sir, Mr. R. R. Lockwood, Junior, I believe is the name.

Q Is that counter-signed by a resident agent?

A Yes, sir. Mr. Edward Ketchum.

Q Is that notarized?

A Yes, sir, I believe it is, yes.

Q Is this bond made out to the Commission on the face of it?

A Yes, sir.

MR. DURRETTE: If the Examiner please I would like to have this bond marked. This is a copy of the bond; we will produce the original if desired. I would like to have the copy marked as an exhibit, and if the Examiner please, I would like to move the introduction of this exhibit, as well as the official file of the Commission. I would request that the official file be marked as one exhibit and we will substitute copies for that.

MR. NUTTER: The file will be identified as Exhibit Number 1 and the bond as Exhibit Number 2 in this case.

(Whereupon, Exhibits Nos. 1 and 2 were marked for identification.)

MR. DURRETTE: If the Examiner please, that will conclude my direct examination of this witness.

CROSS EXAMINATION

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By MR. NUTTER:

Q Did this well, after it was drilled by Mr. Volts, ever produce oil?

A We issued a supplement assigning an allowable to the well, and it did produce, but I'm not prepared to say how much or over what period of time. It has been shut in at least six months.

Q How long did it produce?

A I'm not qualified to give you that information this morning.

Q Was there any lode oil used in the completion of the well?

A Let me refer to our file to see. No, I'll take that back, only acid was used in the completion of this well. The potential was for 13 barrels of oil on a 24-hour period.

Q And you have no record of the total production from the well?

A No, it would be in the official records of the Commission and available, if you wish.

Q Has an effort been made to contact Mr. Voltz and request him to do something with this well?

A It is my understanding that it would be very difficult to contact Mr. Voltz, since Mr. Voltz is deceased.

Q Has an effort been made to contact Mr. Voltz heirs, or his estate, or anyone, to plug the well?

A This has been handled through our attorney, Mr. Durrette.



I'm not sure what he has done on this to date.

MR. DURRETTE: Is the Examiner please, I will make a statement if there is no cross examination of this witness.

MR. NUTTER: No further cross on that line anyway. Will you please proceed?

MR. DURRETTE: For the record, when this matter came up in the official business of the Commission that the well probably should be plugged and the matter should be looked into, a demand letter was issued from the Legal Department of the Oil Conservation Commission, directed to Mr. Voltz. We did not know at that time that Mr. Voltz was deceased, of course, and also directed to Mr. Edward N. Ketchum, the Resident Agent for Continental Casualty Company. That letter was returned as unknown as far as the copy to Mr. Ketchum. Later Continental Casualty Company was contacted as we determined their address; Mr. Ketchum had moved, and they were informed of the demand on them. We received in reply to our letter to Mr. Voltz, a letter from Mr. Risher M. Thornton, III, an attorney in the law office of Turpin, Kerr, Smith and Dyer, in Midland, Texas. He advised us that he had represented the M. R. Voltz estate. Mr. Voltz was deceased and that the estate was insolvent. He was not sure what happened to the well. He thought it had been sold at a forced sale of some type, due to the insolvency of the estate. There are several pieces of correspondence that were later exchanged between Continental Casualty Company and the Commission, mainly concerning the fact that

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Continental Casualty Company was attempting to contact the purchaser of this well in order to determine if he would plug it or operate it, or what he would like to do. At the time that the case was docketed the Commission was not advised as to who had purchased the well. I do have some correspondence concerning that in the form of a telegram, which I would like to read into the record. I would like to preface this by stating that I did receive a telephone call yesterday from Mr. Charles Malone, who stated that he was representing Continental Casualty Company, and that they had determined who the purchaser of the well was. He requested continuance, and I would like to read it into the record at this time.

MR. NUTTER: All right.

MR. DURRETTE: "Re: Case 2746. We represent Continental Casualty Company, which furnished plugging bond on Barbee Well in 9-11-25, and are advised that ownership of well has been purchased by Ernest A. Hanson of Roswell, at District Court foreclosure sale. Respectfully request that Commission grant continuance in this case for ten days, in order that rights of our client may be determined with respect to primary obligation for plugging of well."

If the Examiner please, that concludes the telegram. It was signed by Charles F. Malone, designated as signed by Charles F. Malone. If the Examiner please, I did discuss with Mr. Malone the fact that we would go ahead and put Mr. Stamets on this morning.



He had no objection to this. I also advised him that I would request the Examiner to continue the case to the next Examiner Hearing, for the purpose of allowing Mr. Malone to appear and present evidence if he desired to do so. And I would like to also state for the record that at that time we would be willing to recall Mr. Stamets if Mr. Malone felt that he would like to examine him concerning this matter.

MR. NUTTER: I see. Are there any other questions of Mr. Stamets? He may be excused.

(Witness excused.)

MR. NUTTER: You now wish to continue this case to the next Examiner Hearing?

MR. DURRETTE: Yes, we would request a continuance to the next Examiner Hearing in order to allow Mr. Malone to appear, representing the surety company, if he so desires.

MR. NUTTER: Case Number 2746 will be continued to the Examiner Hearing at 9:00 o'clock A. M. on February 21st, at the same place.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF I have affixed my hand and notarial seal this 20th day of February, 1963.

Ada Dearnley
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James, Examiner
 New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission



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NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

EXAMINER HEARING

SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

REGISTER

HEARING DATE FEBRUARY 6, 1963 TIME: 9 A.M.

NAME:	REPRESENTING:	LOCATION:
R. D. Robuck	Mobil Oil Co.	Hubbs, N.M.
J. F. Godfrey	Mobil Oil Co.	Midland, Tex.
Jack T. Alkin	Mobil Oil Co.	Midland, Texas

BEFORE THE
OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION
Santa Fe, New Mexico
February 21, 1963

EXAMINER HEARING

IN THE MATTER OF: (Continued)

The hearing called by the Oil Conservation Commission on its own motion to permit Continental National Insurance Group and all other interested parties to appear and show cause why the Kenneth V. Barbee Well No. 1, located 1980 feet from the South line and 660 feet from the East line of Section 9, Township 11 South, Range 25 East, NMPM, Chaves County, New Mexico, should not be plugged in accordance with a Commission-approved plugging program.

Case 2746

BEFORE: Elvis A. Utz, Examiner.

TRANSCRIPT OF HEARING

MR. UTZ: Case 2746.

MR. DURRETT: In the matter of the hearing called by the Oil Conservation Commission on its own motion to permit Continental National Insurance Group and all other interested parties to appear and show cause why the Kenneth V. Barbee Well No. 1, located 1980 feet from the South line and 660 feet from the East line of Section 9, Township 11 South, Range 25 East, NMPM, Chaves County, New Mexico, should not be plugged in accordance with a Commission-approved plugging program.

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MR. MALONE: Charles Malone of Atwood and Malone at Roswell, appearing for Continental National Insurance Group, and specifically for the company which signed this bond, Continental Casualty Company. The insurance company hereby stipulates that liability for the plugging of the well in question is recognized by the company and that the well will be immediately plugged at the expense of the insurance company, and respectfully requests that the Commission allow sufficient time for the letting of bids for this plugging in order that the company may attain the best possible price and complete plugging prior to the time that this case again comes up for hearing.

MR. DURRETT: If the Examiner please, I would move the Examiner at this time, in view of this stipulation, to accept the stipulation by Mr. Malone and to continue the case to the March 20 Examiner Hearing to give Mr. Malone's client sufficient time to plug the wells.

MR. UTZ: The Case 2746 will be continued until the March 20 Examiner Hearing.

MR. DURRETT: Also, if the Examiner please, for the purpose of the record, Mr. Malone, I do understand correctly that your stipulation is that the well will be plugged in accordance with the plugging program that was presented during the original hearing in this case?



MR. MALONE: I was not present at the hearing, but I have the letter from Mr. Durrett addressed to Mr. M. F. Voltz of Midland and Mr. Edwin M. Ketchum of Continental Casualty, dated August 3, 1962, which specifies a well-plugging program. Is this the program?

MR. DURRETT: Yes. I think this is the program that was set out during the hearing. At any rate, your company would be willing to conform with this program set out in this letter?

MR. MALONE: Yes.

MR. DURRETT: That will be fine.

MR. UTZ: The hearing is adjourned.

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Ada Dearnley
Notary Public-Court Reporter

My commission expires:
June 19, 1963.

I do hereby certify that the foregoing is a complete record of proceedings in the Examination of the 2746, heard 1963, Feb. 21, 1963.
Ernie A. Hill, Examiner
New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission



BEFORE THE
OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION
Santa Fe, New Mexico
March 20, 1963

IN THE MATTER OF:

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Elvis A. Utz, Examiner

TRANSCRIPT OF HEARING

MR. UTZ: Case No. 2746.

MR. DURRETT: In the matter of the hearing called by the Oil Conservation Commission on its own motion to permit Continental National Insurance Group and all other interested parties to appear and show cause why the Kenneth V. Barbee Well No. should not be plugged in accordance with a Commission-approved plugging program.

If the Examiner please, I have been informed by Mr.

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Charlie Malone, who is the attorney for Continental National Insurance Group, that this well has now been plugged in accordance with a Commission-approved plugging program. I was also informed by him that this plugging was witnessed by Mr. Howard Lowbley, who is on the Commission's Staff, and that the plugging has been approved.

For this reason, I now move that this case be dismissed.

MR. UTZ: Case No. 2746 will be dismissed.

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Elaine J. Buchanan
NOTARY PUBLIC

My Commission Expires:
October 14, 1966.

I do hereby certify that the foregoing is a complete and correct transcript of the proceedings in the case of State vs. [illegible] No. 2746, heard on April 20, 1963.
[Signature], Examiner
New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission

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OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

P. O. BOX 871

SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

March 12, 1963

**Mr. Charles F. Malone
Atwood & Malone
Attorneys at Law
P. O. Box 700
Roswell, New Mexico**

Re: Case No. 2746

Dear Charlie:

It has just been called to my attention that we mailed you a docket indicating that the Continental National Insurance Group plugging case (Kenneth V. Barbee Well No. 1) would come on again before the Commission during the Examiner Hearing to be held Wednesday, March 20, 1963. As you will recall, the case was continued at the last hearing in order to allow your client sufficient time to plug the well. I have received carbon copies of your correspondence with the drilling contractor concerning the plugging arrangements; therefore, it will not be necessary for you to appear on March 20, 1963, for the purposes of this case. I will state for the record at the hearing that arrangements have been made to plug the well in accordance with a Commission-approved plugging program and move that the case be dismissed.

We appreciate your cooperation in this case.

Very truly yours,

**J. M. DURRETT, Jr.,
Attorney**

JM/esr

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Mr. H. J. Steinberger
Steinberger Drilling Company
423 East Second Street
Roswell, New Mexico

Dear Mr. Steinberger:

This letter accepts your bid for plugging the Kenneth V. Barbee well No. 1 in Section 9-11-25, Chaves County.

The terms of our contract with you for this plugging and cleaning up job were stated in our letter of March 1, of which you retained a copy.

We will expect you to furnish the written approval of Mr. Armstrong on or before March 19, and at such time we will furnish to you our firm check in the amount of your bid, which was \$418.

Thank you for your assistance.

Very truly yours,

ATWOOD & MALONE

By: Charles F. Malone

CFM/tc

cc: Mr. W. B. Anderson (2)
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Continental National Insurance Group
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DOCKET: EXAMINER HEARING - WEDNESDAY - MARCH 20, 1963

9 A.M. - OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION CONFERENCE ROOM,
STATE LAND OFFICE BUILDING, SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

The following cases will be heard before Elvis A. Utz, Examiner, or Daniel S. Nutter, as alternate examiner:

- CASE 2773: Application of C. W. Trainer for a unit agreement, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval of the Hume-Queen Unit Area comprising 1,240 acres of State land in Township 16 South, Range 34 East, Lea County, New Mexico.
- CASE 2774: Application of C. W. Trainer for a waterflood project, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks authority to institute a waterflood project by the injection of water into the Queen formation, Hume-Queen Pool, Lea County, New Mexico, through 15 wells located in Sections 7, 8, 9, and 17, Township 16 South, Range 34 East.
- CASE 2775: Application of Cima Capitan, Inc. et al, for a waterflood project, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicants, in the above-styled cause, seek authority to institute a waterflood project by the injection of water into the Grayburg-San Andres formation, Red Lake Pool, Eddy County, New Mexico, through 13 wells located in Sections 22 and 27, Township 17 South, Range 28 East.
- CASE 2776: Application of International Oil & Gas Corporation for a waterflood project, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks authority to institute a waterflood project by the injection of water into the Queen formation, High Lonesome Pool, Eddy County, New Mexico, through one injection well located in Section 15, Township 16 South, Range 29 East.
- CASE 2777: Application of Consolidated Oil & Gas, Inc., for an unorthodox location, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval of its Apache Well No. 2-16 at an unorthodox location 790 feet from the North line and 1850 feet from the West line of Section 16, Township 26 North, Range 3 West, Blanco Mesaverde Pool, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico.
- CASE 2778: Application of Tenneco Oil Company for a unit agreement, San Juan County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled

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cause, seeks approval of the Central Totah Gallup Unit Area comprising 2,738 acres of Federal and Fee lands in Townships 28 and 29 North, Range 13 West, San Juan County, New Mexico.

CASE 2737: (Continued from January 23, 1963 Examiner Hearing)

Application of Gulf Oil Corporation for special pool rules, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks the establishment of special pool rules for the White City-Pennsylvanian Gas Pool, Eddy County, New Mexico, including provisions for 640-acre spacing therein. This case was continued to the March 20, 1963 examiner hearing by Order No. R-2429.

CASE 2761: (Continued)

Application of Compass Exploration, Inc., for the creation of a Gallup Gas Pool, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order deleting certain acreage from the South Blanco-Tocito Pool and re-designating portions of said acreage to comprise a new Gallup gas pool for its Northwest Lindrith Well No. 1-3, located in Unit K of Section 3, Township 26 North, Range 7 West, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico.

CASE 2746: (Continued)

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SUPPLEMENTAL DOCKET - EXAMINER HEARING - WEDNESDAY, MARCH 20, 1963

9 A.M. - OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION CONFERENCE ROOM, STATE LAND
OFFICE BUILDING, SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

The following case will be heard before Elvis A. Utz, Examiner, or Daniel S. Nutter, as alternate examiner:

CASE 2779: Application of Marathon Oil Company for a unit agreement, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval of the North Indian Basin Unit Area, comprising 5786 acres, more or less, of State and Federal Lands in Townships 20½ and 21 South, Range 23 East, Eddy County, New Mexico.

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

RE: Case No. 2746.

We represent Continental Casualty Company which furnished plugging bond on Barbee well in 9-11-25 and are advised that ownership of well has been purchased by Ernest A. Hanson of Roswell at District Court foreclosure sale. Respectfully request that Commission grant continuance in this case for 10 days in order that rights of our client may be determined with respect to primary obligation for plugging of well.

Charles F. Malone

for ATWOOD & MALONE

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=JAMES M DURRETT JR=

OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION SANTA FE NMEX=

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=RE: CASE NO. 2746

Date 3/8/63

WE REPRESENT CONTINENTAL CASUALTY COMPANY WHICH FURNISHED PLUGGING BOND ON BARBEE WELL IN 9-11-25 AND ARE ADVISED THAT OWNERSHIP OF WELL HAS BEEN PURCHASED BY ERNEST A. HANSON OF ROSWELL AT DISTRICT COURT FORECLOSURE SALE. RESPECTFULLY REQUEST THAT COMMISSION GRANT CONTINUANCE IN THIS CASE FOR 10 DAYS IN ORDER THAT RIGHTS OF OUR CLIENT MAY BE DETERMINED WITH RESPECT TO PRIMARY OBLIGATION FOR PLUGGING OF WELL=

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CHARLES F MALONE FOR ATWOOD & MALONE

Date 2/8/63

March 4, 1963

Steinberger Drilling Company
P. O. Box 1137
Roswell, New Mexico

Re: M. R. Volta Well #1
Section 9-11S-25E
Chaves County, N.M.

Dear Mr. Steinberger:

Please note plugging program outlined below on the above mentioned well.

25 sacks at TD 930'.

25 sacks up from 650'.

10 sacks at top with marker.

With 10' mud between each plug.

There isn't any tubing in hole according to Mr. Lobley, our field man.

Very truly yours,

OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

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cc: Mr. James M. Durrett, Jr.

M. L. Armstrong
Supervisor, District #2

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ROSWELL, NEW MEXICO

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BOB F. TURNER
ROBERT A. JOHNSON

March 1, 1963

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Mr. M. L. Armstrong
District Supervisor
Oil Conservation Commission
Post Office Drawer DD
Artesia, New Mexico

Re: Kenneth V. Barbee Well, No. 1

Dear Mr. Armstrong:

We enclose for your files copies of the letters constituting offers for bids which we have mailed to Steinberger Drilling Company, Cap Fulton and Chase Well Service.

We have requested that these contractors obtain from your office the complete specifications for the work.

I expect that you will be hearing from these contractors in the near future, and we appreciate your cooperation in this respect.

It was a pleasure to meet you at Santa Fe.

With regards,

Very truly yours,

ATWOOD & MALONE

BY: *Charles Malone*

CFM/mm
Encl.
CC: James Durrett, Jr.
Oil Conservation Commission
Santa Fe, New Mexico

Memo

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JAMES M. DURRETT JR.
GENERAL COUNSEL

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Continental Casualty Co.

Signature, if any

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

CASE No. 7746

In the matter of the hearing called by the Oil Conservation Commission on its own motion to permit Continental National Insurance Group and all other interested parties to appear and show cause why the Rectoria V. Madero Well No. 1, located 1900 feet from the South line and 660 feet from the East line of Section 9, Township 11 South, Range 25 East, NMPN, Chaves County, New Mexico, should not be plugged in accordance with a Commission-approved plugging program.

TO: Mr. Wayne B. Anderson, Supervisor
Surety Claim Department
Continental National Insurance Group
310 South Michigan Avenue
Chicago 4, Illinois

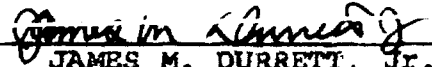
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P. O. Box 3056, Manual Station
Albuquerque, New Mexico

N O T I C E

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE THAT THE ABOVE ENTITLED AND NUMBERED CAUSE WILL COME BEFORE THE OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION AT THE FEBRUARY 6, 1963, EXAMINER HEARING, AT 9 O'CLOCK A.M., OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION CONFERENCE ROOM, STATE LAND OFFICE BUILDING, SANTA FE, 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 25th day of January, 1963.


JAMES M. DURRETT, Jr.,
General Counsel

Memo

From

JAMES M. DURRETT JR.
GENERAL COUNSEL

To Ethel:

Notice of Hearing by
Certified mail to:

1) Cont. Nat Ins Group

2) H. R. Hankins
Bayer & Wetzel

OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

P. O. BOX 871
SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

Case 2746

December 28, 1962

**Mr. Wayne B. Anderson, Supervisor
Surety Claim Department
Continental National Insurance Group
310 South Michigan Avenue
Chicago 4, Illinois**

**Re: Claim No. 96-300879-00, Bond No. 2097047
M. R. Volts to State of New Mexico**

Dear Mr. Anderson:

It will be necessary to docket a plugging case next month concerning the Kenneth V. Barbee Well No. 1, located 660 feet from the East line and 1980 feet from the South line of Section 9, Township 11 South, Range 25 East, N34E, Chaves County, New Mexico, unless the well is satisfactorily plugged or we have received a C-110 Form showing change of ownership.

Very truly yours,

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

DOCKET MAILED

Date _____

JMD/esr

**cc: Mr. H. R. Hawkins, Adjuster DOCKET MAILED
Batjer and Wetzel
424 San Mateo Boulevard N.E.
P. O. Box 3056, Menaul Station *1-23-63*
Albuquerque, New Mexico**

**Mr. M. L. Armstrong, District Supervisor
Oil Conservation Commission
Drawer DD
Artesia, New Mexico**

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Date *2/8/63*

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SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

Case
2746

December 28, 1962

Mr. Wayne B. Anderson, Supervisor
Surety Claim Department
Continental National Insurance Group
118 South Michigan Avenue
Chicago 4, Illinois

Re: Claim No. 96-900879-00, Bond No. 2097047
N. R. Voltz to State of New Mexico

~~Dear Mr. Anderson:~~

It will be necessary to docket a plugging case next month concerning the Kenneth V. Barbee Well No. 1, located 660 feet from the East line and 1990 feet from the South line of Section 9, Township 11 South, Range 25 East, ~~West~~, Chaves County, New Mexico, unless the well is satisfactorily plugged or we have received a C-110 Form showing change of ownership.

Very truly yours,

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

JMD/esr

cc: Mr. H. R. Hawkins, Adjuster
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424 San Mateo Boulevard N.E.
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Albuquerque, New Mexico

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OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

**P. O. BOX 871
SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO**

Case 2746

November 14, 1962

**Mr. M. L. Armstrong
District Supervisor
Oil Conservation Commission
Drawer DD
Artesia, New Mexico**

**Re: M. R. Voltz, Well Plugging,
Chaves County**

Dear Moss:

I have now received a letter from Continental National Insurance Group stating that they are searching the records in the Chaves County Courthouse in an attempt to determine the purchasers of the M. R. Voltz leases; therefore, I feel we should not docket a plugging case for another month or so, and I will not place the M. R. Voltz case on the docket for December 11, 1962.

I will contact you in a month or so if we do not have satisfactory results from Continental National and we will docket a case at that time.

Very truly yours,

**JAMES M. DURRETT, Jr.,
Attorney**

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CONTINENTAL NATIONAL INSURANCE GROUP

CASUALTY, FIRE AND SURETY CLAIM DEPARTMENT
310 SOUTH MICHIGAN AVENUE
CHICAGO 4, ILLINOIS
AREA CODE 312 WA 2-7272

Case 2746

November 9, 1962

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

Attention: Mr. James M. Durrett, Jr.
Special Assistant Attorney General

Dear Mr. Durrett:

Claim #96-900879-00
Bond #2097047
M. R. Volts -to-
State of New Mexico

We have your letter of October 19. We thank you for the cooperation that you are showing us in this matter. Your suggestions are most helpful.

We have requested Mr. Hawkins to ascertain the identity of the purchasers of the lease in question. We understand that he has requested this information from the County Recorder of Chavez County, and will contact those parties upon learning their identity. We will be happy to keep you advised of our progress in this matter.

Yours very truly,

Wayne B. Anderson

Wayne B. Anderson, Supervisor
Surety Claim Department

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CC: Mr. H. R. Hawkins, Adjuster
Batjer & Wetzel
424 San Mateo Boulevard, N.E.
P. O. Box 3056, Menaul Station
Albuquerque, New Mexico

OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

P. O. BOX 871

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November 6, 1962

Mr. M. L. Armstrong
District Supervisor
Oil Conservation Commission
Drawer 80
Artesia, New Mexico

Re: Herschel L. Copelan, M.D., Well Plugging,
Chaves County, and M. R. Volts, Well
Plugging, Chaves County

Dear Boss:

We have placed the Herschel L. Copelan plugging case concern-
ing his Pan American Well No. 1 and his State of New Mexico Well
No. 1, both in Section 37, Township 11 South, Range 27 East on the
docket to be heard on November 20, 1962, at the Examiner Hearing.
I did not contact you prior to placing this case on the docket as
the date for preparing the agenda slipped up on me. Please advise
me if there is any reason that you feel this case should not be
heard on November 20th and I will continue the case at that time.

I have prepared notices of hearing and forwarded them to
Dr. Copelan, his attorney, and the representatives of the bonding
company along with a cover letter concerning the hearing. I am
enclosing herewith a copy of this cover letter. We will try to
get together a short time prior to the hearing to discuss your
testimony. Please advise me if there are any new developments
prior to the hearing.

I also am tentatively planning to docket the M. R. Voltz
plugging case concerning the Kenneth V. Barbee Well No. 1,
located 660 feet from the East line and 1980 feet from the South
line of Section 9, Township 11 South, Range 25 East, Chaves
County, for the Examiner Hearing to be held on December 11, 1962.

OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

P. O. BOX 871

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November 6, 1962

**Mr. H. L. Armstrong
District Supervisor
Oil Conservation Commission
Albuquerque, New Mexico**

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You will recall that this is the case where M. A. Volts committed suicide and there is a property dispute or at least a question as to the present ownership of the well. I feel that if we wait for the bonding company to determine the question of the title to the well there will be a considerable amount of delay; therefore, I tentatively plan to docket this case for December 11, 1962, and to proceed by suit against the bonding company if the well is not immediately plugged.

Please advise me by November 20, 1962, if you do not desire the case placed on the docket as we will have to have our ads ready by that date.

Very truly yours,

**JAMES M. FURNESS, JR.,
Attorney**

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Enclosures**



CONTINENTAL NATIONAL INSURANCE GROUP

CASUALTY, FIRE AND SURETY CLAIM DEPARTMENT
310 SOUTH MICHIGAN AVENUE
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Case 2746

January 3, 1963

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

96-900879-00
Bond No. 2097047
M. R. Voltz -to-
State of New Mexico

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Attention: Mr. James M. Durrett, Jr.
Special Assistant
Attorney General

Dear Mr. Durrett:

Thank you for your letter of December 28. We have learned the identity of the new owner of this well, Kenneth V. Barbee Well No. 1, and are presently attempting to contact him. Upon our success, you will be so advised.

Thank you for the cooperation you have shown us in this matter.

Yours very truly,

Wayne B. Anderson

Wayne B. Anderson, Supervisor
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Date 1-23-63

OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

P. O. BOX 271

SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

Case 2746

October 19, 1962

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Mr. Wayne B. Anderson, Supervisor
Surety Claim Department
Continental National Insurance Group
310 South Michigan Avenue
Chicago 4, Illinois

Re: Bond No. 2097047, M. R. Volts,
Blanket Plugging Bond

Dear Mr. Anderson:

Thank you for your letter of October 5, 1962.

Since receipt of your letter, Mr. H. R. "Bob" Hawkins of Batjer and Wetzel Insurance Adjusters called upon me to discuss the information that you requested in your letter. I am sure Mr. Hawkins has informed you of the results of our conversation, but I thought you might like the same confirmed by letter.

Referring to your letter of October 5, 1962, please be advised that the Commission can cancel the subject bond if another operator desires to take over the well and the new operator is properly bonded and has filed a C-110 Form showing change of ownership with the Commission.

I regret that we are unable to inform you as to whether or not the well has been purchased as our records will reflect this only when the C-110 Form showing change of ownership has been filed. Our records do not now reflect such a change in ownership.

As I suggested to Mr. Hawkins, it would seem to me that the best way to determine whether or not there had been a sheriff's sale and if so, the name of the purchaser, would be to check the records of the County Clerk in Chaves County. If the property was sold pursuant to a sheriff's sale, the deed should be recorded with the Clerk of the County.

In order to protect you against suit by third parties, I might suggest that once these parties are determined if they do not agree

OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

P. O. BOX 871

SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

October 19, 1962

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Mr. Wayne S. Anderson, Supervisor
Surety Claim Department
Continental National Insurance Group
310 South Michigan Avenue
Chicago 4, Illinois

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to allow you to plug the well, if you will so advise us we will docket a case to allow all interested parties to appear before the Commission and show cause, if any, as to why the well should not be plugged in accordance with the Commission Rules and Regulations. If your cause was not shown why the well should not be plugged, the Commission would then enter an order ordering you to plug the well. This should protect you from suits by third parties as you will then have to enter upon the land and plug the well or be in specific violation of an order of the Oil Conservation Commission and subject to suit by the Commission.

Also, please be advised that our records reflect that this is the only well drilled under the name of M. R. Volts and not satisfactorily plugged and abandoned; therefore, upon proper disposition of this well we will be able to release the Blanket Plugging Bond.

Please advise us if you need any additional information. Also, I would appreciate your keeping us advised as to the status of your investigation concerning the present owners of the well. As this well has been abandoned for some time now, it will be necessary for us to docket a case concerning the same in the very near future unless proper disposition is made of the well.

Very truly yours,

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

JMD/esr

H. R. "BOB" HAWKINS

BUS. PHONE AL 5-8619
RES. PHONE AX 8-0428

BATJER AND WETZEL
OF NEW MEXICO
INSURANCE ADJUSTERS

424 SAN MATEO N. E.
BOX 3056

ALBUQUERQUE
NEW MEXICO

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CONTINENTAL NATIONAL INSURANCE GROUP

CASUALTY, FIRE AND SURETY CLAIM DEPARTMENT
310 SOUTH MICHIGAN AVENUE
CHICAGO 4, ILLINOIS
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October 5, 1962

Case 2746

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

Attention: Mr. James M. Durrett, Jr.
Special Assistant Attorney General

Dear Sir:

Bond 2097047
M. R. Voltz -to-
State of New Mexico
Blanket Plugging Bond

Thank you for your letter of September 19 with enclosures.

Again, let me assure you of our desire to promptly discharge our just obligations. However, you will appreciate that in reaching a decision as to how to best accomplish this, we must exercise a degree of caution in discharging only those obligations which are properly ours, and assuring ourselves that there is no danger that in so doing we will exceed the penal limits of our bond, and that we do not give rise to additional liability to others as a result of actions we take.

I refer to the first and fourth paragraphs of the conditions of the bond, as well as the letter dated August 23, written to you by Mr. Risher M. Thornton, III, who is apparently attorney for the estate of our deceased principal. Apparently, the obligations of principal and surety to the State of New Mexico in regard to a given well would be terminated by the subsequent acquisition of that well by another bonded operator, if coupled with a lessor-lessee relationship between that subsequent operator and the State of New Mexico. Mr. Thornton's letter of August 23 indicates that the first of these conditions may have occurred, and we must request your advice as to whether the second has occurred.

We must also request your advice as to whether there are any other unplugged, abandoned or operating wells which may give rise to liability on the part of this company under the above captioned bond. In other words, upon the plugging of this well can our bond be released?

State of New Mexico

#2 October 5, 1962

We have not yet been able to determine whether this well was "sold" to a third party. If it has, we would be running the risk of interfering with the property rights of the third party which might give rise to liabilities outside of the scope of our bond. Therefore, any advice you might be able to volunteer on how to determine the rights of third parties in this well would be appreciated. I would assume that this should be a matter of record, either in your office, or at the county level.

Thank you for the cooperation you are giving us in this matter.

Yours very truly,



Wayne B. Anderson, Supervisor
Surety Claim Department

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OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

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SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

Case 2746

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Continental National Insurance Group
Surety Claim Department
310 South Michigan Avenue
Chicago 4, Illinois

Attention: Mr. Wayne B. Anderson, Supervisor,
Surety Claim Department

Re: Bond No. 2097047, M. R. Volts,
Blanket Plugging Bond

Gentlemen:

Thank you for your letter of September 10, 1962. Please find enclosed herewith a copy of the bond you executed as surety for Mr. M. R. Volts. Also please find enclosed a copy of Section 65-3-10 and a copy of a portion of Section 65-3-11, New Mexico Statutes Annotated (1953 Compilation), relating to the Commission's power to require bonds and enforce plugging of wells.

Mr. M. L. Armstrong, District Supervisor, Oil Conservation Commission in Artesia, New Mexico, has recently furnished me the names of two plugging contractors which he considers to be reliable. They are Chase Well Service, P. O. Box 637, Artesia, New Mexico, and Hobbs Pipe and Supply, P. O. Box 1058, Hobbs, New Mexico.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Very truly yours,

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

JMD/esr
Enclosures



CONTINENTAL NATIONAL INSURANCE GROUP

CASUALTY, FIRE AND SURETY CLAIM DEPARTMENT
310 SOUTH MICHIGAN AVENUE
CHICAGO 4, ILLINOIS
AFSA CODE 512 WA 2-7272

Case 2746

September 10, 1962

State of New Mexico
Oil Conservation Commission
P. O. Box 9871
Santa Fe, New Mexico

Attention: Mr. James M. Durratt, Jr.
Special Assistant to Attorney General

Dear Sir:

Bond #2097047
M. R. Voltz -to-
State of New Mexico
Blanket Oil and Gas Lease Bond

Your letters of August 21 and August 3 have been forwarded to this office for our attention. We are presently undertaking an investigation in order to determine the most advisable method of bringing this matter to a satisfactory resolution. We understand that our principal, M. R. Voltz, is now deceased. We will therefore have to determine the status of his estate, as well as the status of a title to the well in question. In addition, we would appreciate your supplying us with a copy of the bond we executed in this case, together with extracts of any pertinent statutes which you might have available. We will also appreciate your supplying us with names of any contractors in the vicinity of this well whom you believe might be interested in doing the required work.

We thank you for your anticipated cooperation and forbearance while we pursue our investigation of this matter.

Very truly yours,

Wayne B. Anderson

Wayne B. Anderson, Supervisor
Surety Claim Department

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August 23, 1962

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Case 2746

Re: Well Plugging - Chaves County,
New Mexico. Barbee No. 1 Well.

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

Attention: Mr. James N. Durrett, Jr.
Special Assistant Attorney General

Gentlemen:

Please refer to your letter of August 3, 1962 addressed to Mr. M. R. Voltz and Mr. Edward N. Ketchum of Continental Casualty Company. Mr. M. R. Voltz is deceased, having committed suicide last November, 1960. The well to which your letter refers was foreclosed on by several creditors, and apparently was sold at a sheriff's sale some time during this past year. Our files do not reflect the date of the sale or the actual purchaser; however, we have assumed that the well was purchased by the various lien creditors who brought the suit. I am notifying these parties of your letter, and am enclosing a copy of my letter to them in order that you may be advised of the various companies involved.

If we can be of additional assistance, please advise.

Yours very truly,

TURPIN, KERR, SMITH & DYER

cc: Mr. Edward N. Ketchum
Continental Casualty Co.
McNabb Building
Albuquerque, New Mexico

Mr. M. L. Armstrong, District Supervisor
Oil Conservation Commission
Artesia, New Mexico

By:

Risher M. Thornton, III
Risher M. Thornton, III

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Date *8/23/62*

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BERGER, BRIGGS & COMPANY

215 THIRD STREET, S. W., P. O. BOX 571, ALBUQUERQUE, NEW MEXICO

PHONE 247-0444

August 22, 1962

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Case 2746

James M. Durrett, Jr.
Special Assistant Attorney General
State of New Mexico
Oil Conservation Commission
P. O. Box 871
Santa Fe, New Mexico

Re: Well Plugging - M. R. Voltz
Chaves County, New Mexico

Dear Mr. Durrett:

The well plugging bond in question was signed by me as the resident agent for Continental Casualty Company. However, the bond was written on the authority of the Lockwood Agency of Tulsa, Oklahoma, and I don't have the bond number available in our office. I am, therefore, sending your letter of August 21st and August 3rd to the Batjer Wetzel Adjusting Agency here in Albuquerque, who handle claims for Continental Casualty Company, and suggest that further correspondence be directed to them. Their Albuquerque address is 424 San Mateo Blvd, NE, and their resident manager is Mr. Hamilton Traylor.

Very truly yours,

BERGER, BRIGGS & COMPANY

Edward N. Ketchum

Edward N. Ketchum

ENK/br

cc: Lockwood Insurance Agency
Tulsa, Oklahoma

Continental Casualty Company
Central Branch Office
310 South Michigan Avenue
Chicago 4, Illinois

DOCKET MAILED

Date _____

DOCKET MAILED

Date 1/23/63



INSURANCE BY NORTH AMERICA

Insurance Company of North America
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FIRST NATIONAL BANK BUILDING

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LAWRENCE L. FULLER
SAM S. COOK, JR.

Re: M. R. Vella Estate
Barbo, No. 1 Well
Chavez County, New Mexico

Mr. Martin F. Allen
Allen Drilling Company
P. O. Box 931
Greene, Texas

Mr. Louis C. Ayres
Division Credit Manager
Washington Company
P. O. Box 2887
Richmond, Indiana

Mr. John B. Loftis
The Western Company
P. O. Box 186
Fort Worth, Texas

Mr. A. S. Chalks
Fort Worth Pipe & Supply Co.
P. O. Box 2106
Fort Worth, Texas

Mr. Edward H. Moore
Jones & Laughlin Supply Division
Drawer 2481
Tulsa 2, Oklahoma

Gentlemen:

I have received, and enclose herewith, a letter from the Oil Conservation Commission of the State of New Mexico dated August 3, 1962 relative to the captioned lease. Apparently, this well has not been properly plugged in accordance with the rules and regulations of the Conservation Commission. Although I have seen no order of sale, or other papers other than the initial petition for foreclosure, I assume that the foreclosure proceeding has taken place and that one or all of your companies have purchased this lease and have salvaged the equipment.

August 23, 1962
Page 2

It would appear that it would advise upon the present owner or owners of the lease to do whatever may be necessary to satisfy the Conservation Commission relative to the plugging of this well. As you know, the Valla estate is insolvent, and does not have the funds available to remedy this matter. We, of course, will give you our fullest cooperation in any way, other than monetary consideration. I would appreciate your keeping me advised relative to this matter in order that I will know that the Conservation Commission regulations have been complied with.

Yours very truly,

TURPIN, KERR, SMITH & DYER



Richard M. Thornton, III

THT:dk

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

OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

P. O. BOX 871

SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

Call 2746

August 21, 1962

Mr. Edward H. Hatcher
Resident Agent
Continental Casualty Company
215 West, S.W.
Albuquerque, New Mexico

Re: Well Plugging - M. R. Voltz,
Chaves County, New Mexico

Dear Mr. Hatcher:

On August 3, 1962, we dispatched a letter to M. R. Voltz and to you as Resident Agent for Continental Casualty Company, making demand for proper plugging of the Mammoth V. Barker Well No. 1 in Chaves County, New Mexico. Our letter to you was returned by the Post Office marked "wrong address." We contacted the State Corporation Commission, Department of Insurance, and they furnished us the above address. Therefore, I am enclosing our letter of August 3, 1962.

Please be advised that the time for meeting the requirements set out in our letter of August 3, 1962, will be extended to September 21, 1962, due to the mis-direction of our letter of August 3. However, all requirements set out in our letter of August 3, 1962 must be satisfactorily met on or before September 21, 1962.

Very truly yours,

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

JMD/esr

CC: Mr. H. L. Armstrong, District Supervisor
Oil Conservation Commission
Drawer DD - Artesia, New Mexico

Mr. M. R. Voltz
1002 West Wall
Midland, Texas

OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION
P. O. BOX 671
SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

Case 2746

August 3, 1962

Mr. M. V. Volts
1000 West Wall
Midland, Texas

Mr. Edward E. Hetchum
Resident Agent
Continental Casualty Company
Hornbush Building
Albuquerque, New Mexico

Re: Well Plugging - Chavez
County, New Mexico

Gentlemen:

Pursuant to information furnished us by Mr. M. L. Armstrong, Supervisor, District No. 21, Oil Conservation Commission in Artesia, New Mexico, we hereby make demand upon you to properly plug your Kenneth V. Barker Well No. 1, located 660 feet from the East line and 1980 feet from the South line of section 2, Township 21 South, Range 23 East, NMM, Chavez County. This well must be plugged with a 25-inch plug at total depth, a 20-inch plug at 275 feet, and a 16-inch plug at the surface, with heavy mud between plugs. Also, a regulation marker must be placed on the well in a permanent manner, the pits must be filled, and the location cleared of all junk.

Unless these requirements are satisfactorily met on or before September 3, 1962, the Commission will be forced to enter an order to show cause why the well should not be plugged and take other appropriate legal action to assure plugging the same.

OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

P. O. BOX 871

SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

-3-

August 3, 1938

Mr. E. V. Wells
1000 West Hill
Houston, Texas

Mr. Edward E. Ketchum
Assistant Agent
Continental Casualty Company
Ketchum Building
Albuquerque, New Mexico

Mr. Armstrong must be contacted and given an opportunity to witness the plugging as it is being accomplished.

Very truly yours,

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

JMD/car

cc: Mr. M. L. Armstrong
District Supervisor
Oil Conservation Commission
Room 70
Albany, New Mexico

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 CONTINENTAL NATIONAL INSURANCE GROUP AND ALL OTHER INTERESTED PARTIES TO APPEAR AND SHOW CAUSE WHY THE EXAMINER V. HANMER WELL NO. 1, LOCATED 1900 FEET FROM THE SOUTH LINE AND 660 FEET FROM THE EAST LINE OF SECTION 9, TOWNSHIP 11 SOUTH, RANGE 28 EAST, NEWM, CHAVEZ COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, SHOULD NOT BE PLUGGED IN ACCORDANCE WITH A COMMISSION-APPROVED PLUGGING PROGRAM.

CASE No. 2746
Order No. R-2459

ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

BY THE COMMISSION:

This cause came on for hearing at 9 o'clock a.m. on March 20, 1963, 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 27th day of March, 1963, the Commission, a quorum being present, having considered the recommendations of the Examiner, Elvis A. Utz, and being fully advised in the premises,

FINDS:

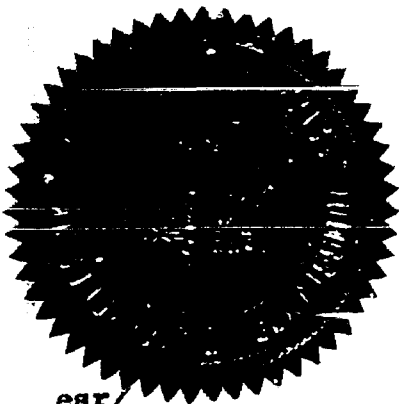
(1) That due public notice having been given as required by law, the Commission has jurisdiction of this cause and the subject matter thereof.

(2) That the Attorney for the Commission stated at the hearing that the subject well had been plugged in accordance with a Commission-approved plugging program and moved that the case be dismissed.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

That Case No. 2746 is hereby dismissed.

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

esr/

GOVERNOR
JACK M. CAMPBELL
CHAIRMAN

State of New Mexico
Oil Conservation Commission



LAND COMMISSIONER
E. S. JOHNNY WALKER
MEMBER

P. O. BOX 871
SANTA FE

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

March 27, 1963

Mr. Charles F. Malone
Atwood & Malone
Attorneys at Law
P. O. Box 700
Roswell, New Mexico

Re: Case No. 2742
Order No. R-2459
Applicant:
OCC

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.

A. L. PORTER, Jr.
Secretary-Director

ir/

Carbon copy of order also sent to:

Hobbs OCC x

Artesia OCC x

Astec OCC

OTHER Mr. Frank Irby

(2) That the Attorney for the Commission stated at the hearing that the subject well had been plugged in accordance with a Commission approved plugging program and moved ~~to dismiss the case~~ that the case be dismissed.

It is therefore Ordered:

That case No. 2746 is hereby dismissed.

Lam @ D. J.

DRAFT

JMD/esr

March 22, 1963

BEFORE THE OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO

~~IN THE MATTER OF THE HEARING
BEFORE THE OIL CONSERVATION
COMMISSION OF NEW MEXICO FOR
THE PURPOSE OF CONSIDERING~~

CASE No. 2746

Order No. R- 2459

Open

IN THE MATTER OF THE HEARING CALLED BY THE OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION ON ITS OWN MOTION TO PERMIT CONTINENTAL NATIONAL INSURANCE GROUP AND ALL OTHER INTERESTED PARTIES TO APPEAR AND SHOW CAUSE WHY THE KENNETH V. BARBEE WELL NO. 1, LOCATED 1980 FEET FROM THE SOUTH LINE AND 660 FEET FROM THE EAST LINE OF SECTION 9, TOWNSHIP 11 SOUTH, RANGE 25 EAST, NMPM, CHAVES COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, SHOULD NOT BE PLUGGED IN ACCORDANCE WITH A COMMISSION-APPROVED PLUGGING PROGRAM.

ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

BY THE COMMISSION:

[Signature]

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NOW, on this day of March, 1963, 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 Attorney for the Commission stated at the hearing that the subject well had been plugged in accordance with a Commission-approved plugging program and moved that the case be dismissed.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

That Case No. 2746 is hereby dismissed.

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

STATE OF NEW MEXICO
OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

JACK M. CAMPBELL, Chairman

E. S. WALKER, Member

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

Memo

From

JAMES M. DURRETT JR.
GENERAL COUNSEL

To TF Charleston 8-18-63

Case 2746

Kenneth V. Barber
well plugged. Approved
by Howard C. Lobbey
on March 19, 1963.

NEW MEXICO
OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

P. O. BOX 88
Tenth & Dallas Streets
ARTESIA, NEW MEXICO

May, 1961
No. A 31

SUPPLEMENT TO THE OIL PRORATION SCHEDULE

DATE May 5, 1961

PURPOSE IRREVOCABLE REVISION (CANCELLATION)

Effective May 1, 1961, the allowance of the M. R. Volts,
K. V. Barboe, 1-1, 9-11-25, Hondo San Andres Pool, is
hereby cancelled for failure to file Form C-115.

MLA/hb

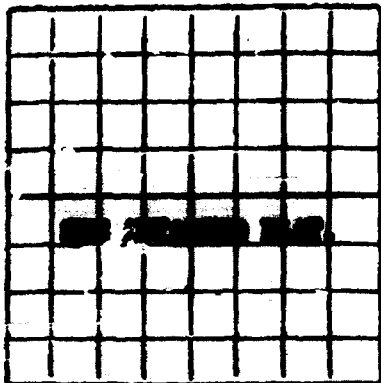
M. R. Volts

McWood

OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

SUPERVISOR, DISTRICT NO. 3

EXTRA COPY



NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Santa Fe, New Mexico

RECEIVED
NOV 13 1960
WELL RECORD
NOV 21 1960

DEC 2 1960

D. C. C.
GENERAL OFFICE

Mail to District Office, Oil Conservation Commission, to which Form GEN-100 is sent are
later than twenty days after completion of well. Submit in QUANTITY of 3 copies
of the Commission. Submit in QUANTITY of 3 copies

AREA 200 ACRES
LOCATE WELL CORRECTLY

R. D. V. 111

R. D. V. 111

(Company or Operator)

(Owner)

Well No. 2, in Sec. 22, 1/4 of Sec. 9, T. 11N, R. 15E, N.M.P.M.

Well is 600' East from 1900' South from

of Section 2, N State Land the Oil and Gas Lease No. is

Drilling Commenced August 7, 1960 Drilling was Completed September 5, 1960

Name of Drilling Contractor Allen Drilling Company

Address P. O. Box 700, Tucuman, Texas

Elevation above sea level at Top of Tubing Head 3460' The information given is to be kept confidential until

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OIL SANDS OR BONES

No. 1, from 822' to 925' No. 4, from to

No. 2, from to No. 5, from to

No. 3, from to No. 6, from to

IMPORTANT WATER SANDS

Indicate data on rate of water inflow and elevation to which water rose in hole.

No. 1, from 480' to 480' feet. rotary and in hole

No. 2, from 570' to 630' feet. water flowed

No. 3, from to feet.

No. 4, from to feet.

CASING RECORD

SIZE	WEIGHT PER FOOT	NEW OR USED	AMOUNT	KIND OF SHOE	CUT AND PULLED FROM	PERFORATIONS	PURPOSE
4-1/2"	9.5	NEW	965	Halliburton		592-912	

MUDDING AND CEMENTING RECORD

SIZE OF HOLE	SIZE OF CASING	WHERE SET	NO. BAGS OF CEMENT	METHOD USED	MUD GRAVITY	AMOUNT OF MUD USED
12-3/4"	10-3/4"	30'	50	Halliburton		10 tons
8-3/4"	7"	620'	500	"		11 tons
6-3/4"	4-1/2"	925'	75	"		10 tons

RECORD OF PRODUCTION AND STIMULATION

(Record the Process used, No. of Qts. or Gals. used, interval treated or shot.)

Stimulation: 1 copy Treatment Log. stage one, depth 925'

1 copy Treatment Log. stage two, depth 925'-930'

1 copy "Western Company" Gammatron simultaneous nuclear log.

BOOK OF DRILL-STEM AND SPECIAL TESTS

If drill-stem or other special tests or deviation surveys were made, submit report on separate sheet and attach hereto

TOOLS USED

Rotary tools were used from 0 feet to 720 feet, and from feet to feet.
Cable tools were used from feet to feet, and from feet to feet.

PRODUCTION

Put to Producing September 1, 1960

OIL WELL: The production during the first 24 hours was 12 barrels of liquid of which 10% was oil; % was emulsion; 90% water; and % was sediment. A.P.I.

Gravity

GAS WELL: The production during the first 24 hours was M.C.F. plus barrels of Liquid Hydrocarbon. Shut in Pressure lbs.

Length of Time Shut in

PLEASE INDICATE BELOW FORMATION TOPS (IN CONFORMANCE WITH GEOGRAPHICAL SECTION OF STATE):

Southeastern New Mexico

Northwestern New Mexico

T. Anky	T. Devonian	T. Ojo Alamo
T. Salt	T. Silurian	T. Kirtland-Fruitland
B. Salt	T. Montoya	T. Farmington
T. Yates	T. Simpson	T. Pictured Cliffs
T. 7 Rivers	T. McKee	T. Menefee
T. Queen	T. Ellenburger	T. Point Lookout
T. Grayburg surface to 530'	T. Gr. Wash	T. Mancos
T. San Andres 530'	T. Granite	T. Dakota
T. Glorieta	T.	T. Morrison
T. Drinkard	T.	T. Penn
T. Tubbs	T.	T.
T. Abo	T.	T.
T. Penn	T.	T.
T. Miss	T.	T.

FORMATION RECORD

From	To	Thickness in Feet	Formation	From	To	Thickness in Feet	Formation
0	430		redbed and sand				
430	530		gray limy sand				
530	570		shale, anhydrite line				
570	630		gray porous lime				
630	710		shale gravel, lime				
710	740		gray dolomite				
740	930		dolomite gravel				
			gray dolomite				

OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION
ARTESIA DISTRICT OFFICE

No. Cap. Permitted

DATE

PROV. LAND OFFICE

STATE LAND OFFICE

U.S. G.E.

TRANSPORTER

FILE

ATTACH SEPARATE SHEET IF ADDITIONAL SPACE IS NEEDED

I hereby swear or affirm that the information given herein is a complete and correct record of the well and all work done on it so far as can be determined from available records

November 15, 1960

Company or Operator H. E. VOLTZ

1002 West Wall, Midland, Texas

Owner and Operator

NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION
Santa Fe, New Mexico

REQUEST FOR (OIL) - (GAS) ALLOWABLE

RECEIVED

(Form C-104)
Revised 7/1/57

New Well
Recompletion

This form shall be submitted by the operator before an initial allowable will be assigned to any proposed Oil or Gas well. Form C-104 is to be submitted in QUADRUPPLICATE to the same District Office to which Form C-101 was sent. The allowable will be assigned effective 7:00 A.M. on date of completion or recompletion. The completion date shall be that date in the case of an oil well when new oil is delivered into the stock tanks. Gas must be reported on 15.025 psia at 60° Fahrenheit.

Midland, Texas

DEC 2 1960

November 15, 1960

(Place)

(Date)

WE ARE HEREBY REQUESTING AN ALLOWABLE FOR A WELL KNOWN

M. R. VOLTS

KENNETH V. BARNER

Well No. 1, in NE 1/4, NE 1/4,

(Company or Operator)

(Lease)

1, Sec. 9, T. 11N, R. 25E, NMPM, Midland, Texas

Pool

County Date Spudded August 7, 1960 Date Drilling Completed September 5, 1960

Please indicate location:

D	C	B	A
E	F	G	H
L	K	J	I
M	N	O	P

19803.660E

Elevation 2460' Total Depth 930' FRL 918'

Top Oil/Gas Pay 890' Name of Prod. Form. San Andres

PRODUCING INTERVAL -

Perforations 892-912

Open Hole 925-930 Depth Casing Shoe 924' Depth Tubing 910'

OIL WELL TEST -

Natural Prod. Test: bbls. oil, bbls. water in hrs, min. Size

Test After Acid or Fracture Treatment (after recovery of volume of oil equal to volume of

load oil used): 13 bbls. oil, 11 bbls. water in 24 hrs, 0 min. Size 60

GAS WELL TEST -

Natural Prod. Test: MCF/day; Hours flowed; Choke Size

Method of Testing (pilot, back pressure, etc.):

Test After Acid or Fracture Treatment: MCF/day; Hours flowed

Choke Size Method of Testing:

Acid or Fracture Treatment (Give amounts of materials used, such as acid, water, oil, and

sand): 17,500 gal. regular acid; 10000 sand

Casing Tubing Date first new

Press. 08 Press. 1900 oil run to tanks

Oil Transporter Midland Corporation, Abilene, Texas

Gas Transporter

Remarks:

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

Approved: DEC 14 1960, 19

M. R. VOLTS

Company or Operator

OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

By: M. L. Armstrong

Title OIL AND GAS INSPECTOR

By: M. R. Volts

Signature

Title Owner and Operator

Send Communications regarding well to

Name M. R. Volts

Address 1002 West Wall, Midland, Texas

NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION
SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

Form C-110
Revised 7/1/55

(File the original and 4 copies with the appropriate district office)

RECEIVED

CERTIFICATE OF COMPLIANCE AND AUTHORIZATION
TO TRANSPORT OIL AND NATURAL GAS

O. C. C.
DIST. OFFICE

Company or Operator H. R. Volts Lease Kenneth Barber

Well No. 1 Unit Letter I S 9 T 118 R 252 Pool Wildcat

County Chaves Kind of Lease (State, Fed. or Patented) Patented

If well produces oil or condensate, give location of tanks: Unit 1 S 9 T 118 R 252

Authorized Transporter of Oil or Condensate Method Corporation

Address 306 V & J Tower, Midland, Texas

(Give address to which approved copy of this form is to be sent)

Authorized Transporter of Gas _____

Address _____

(Give address to which approved copy of this form is to be sent)

If Gas is not being sold, give reasons and also explain its present disposition:

does not produce enough to market

Reasons for Filing: (Please check proper box) New Well ☒ _____

Change in Transporter of (Check One): Oil ☐ Dry Gas ☐ C'head ☐ Condensate ☐

Change in Ownership ☐ Other ☐

Remarks: _____ (Give explanation below)

The undersigned certifies that the Rules and Regulations of the Oil Conservation Commission have been complied with.

Executed this the 30 day of September 1960

By [Signature]

Approved DEC 14 1960 1960

Title [Signature]

OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Company H. R. Volts

By [Signature]

Address 1002 West Wall

Title OIL AND GAS INSPECTOR

Midland, Texas

NEW MEXICO
OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

~~FOR THE~~
~~NEW MEXICO~~

ORDER TO
APPOINT, NEW MEXICO

December, 1960

No. A 33

SUPPLEMENT TO THE OIL PRORATION SCHEDULE

DATE December 15, 1960

PURPOSE: ALLOWABLE ASSIGNMENT FOR A NEW WELL

Effective December 1, 1960 an allowable of 13 barrels of oil per day or a total of 403 barrels for the month is hereby assigned to the M.R. Volitz Kenneth V. Barber, 1-1, 9-11-25, Wildcat San Andres Pool.

M.R. Volitz

M.R. Volitz

Produced

OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

RECEIVED

DECEMBER 15, 1960

EXTRA COPY

NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION
MISCELLANEOUS REPORTS ON WELLS

(Submit to appropriate District Office as per Commission Rule 1106) DEC 14 1960

Form C-103
(Revised 3-55)
RECEIVED

COMPANY H. R. Volts 1002 West Wall Midland, Texas D. C. C.
(Address) ARTERIA, OFFICE

LEASE Kenneth V. Barbee WELL NO. 1 UNIT I 5 9 T 11 8 R 25 2
DATE WORK PERFORMED 8/27 to 8/29/60 POOL Wildcat

This is a Report of: (Check appropriate block) ☐ Results of Test of Casing Shut-off

☐ Beginning Drilling Operations

☐ Remedial Work

☐ Plugging

☒ Other Setting 4-1/2" casing

Detailed account of work done, nature and quantity of materials used and results obtained.

Drilled 4-1/2" hole to 925'. Ran 11 lbs. 4-1/2", 9.50' J-55 SBC casing, Larkin float shoe. Total - 923'. Larkin centralizers @ 917', 902', 887'. NUNCO cemented with 60 sac regular with 8% gel & 2% Oilomite/sack & 15 sac. reg. West.. Circulated 16 sac. W.O.C. 48 hours. Tested casing @ 3000' for 30 minutes, Test O.K.

FILL IN BELOW FOR REMEDIAL WORK REPORTS ONLY

Original Well Data:

DF Elev. _____ TD _____ PBD _____ Prod. Int. _____ Compl Date _____

Tbng. Dia _____ Tbng Depth _____ Oil String Dia _____ Oil String Depth _____

Perf Interval (s) _____

Open Hole Interval _____ Producing Formation (s) _____

RESULTS OF WORKOVER:

BEFORE

AFTER

Date of Test _____

Oil Production, bbls. per day _____

Gas Production, Mcf per day _____

Water Production, bbls. per day _____

Gas-Oil Ratio, cu. ft. per bbl _____

Gas Well Potential, Mcf per day _____

Witnessed by _____

(Company)

OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

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

Name _____

Name _____

Title _____

Position _____

Date _____

OIL AND GAS INSPECTOR:

Company _____

H. R. Volts

NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION
MISCELLANEOUS REPORTS ON WELLS

DEC 14 1960

(Submit to appropriate District Office as per Commission Rule 1106)

D. C. C.
ARTESIA, OFFICE

COMPANY M. R. Volta 1002 West Wall Midland, Texas
(Address)
LEASE Kenneth V. Burbee WELL NO. 1 UNIT I 3 9 T 118 R 38
DATE WORK PERFORMED 8/14 thru 8/28/60 POOL Wildcat

This is a Report of: (Check appropriate block) ☐ Results of Test of Casing Shut-off
☐ Beginning Drilling Operations ☐ Remedial Work
☐ Plugging ☒ Other Setting 7" Casing

Detailed account of work done, nature and quantity of materials used and results obtained.
Drilled 8-3/4" hole to 667'. Ran 21 joints 7", 234 J-55 SMC Casing, MHC0 float a.s.,
total 667'. Cemented w/200 sac regular neat. Temperature survey - top cement @ 500'.
Drilled ahead to TD of 925'. Perforated casing @ 450'; cemented with 250 sac regular Neat.
Tested casing & cement after 48 hours. Cement job no good. Re-cemented with 150 sac regular
with 2% calcium chloride. 190-48 hours. Tested casing & cement @ 500'. Test o.k. Drilled
out cement from 426' to 455'. Went to bottom @ 925'; circulated preparatory to running
4-1/2" casing.

FILL IN BELOW FOR REMEDIAL WORK REPORTS ONLY

Original Well Data:

DF Elev. _____ TD _____ PBD _____ Prod. Int. _____ Compl Date _____
Tbng. Dia _____ Tbng Depth _____ Oil String Dia _____ Oil String Depth _____
Perf Interval (s) _____
Open Hole Interval _____ Producing Formation (s) _____

RESULTS OF WORKOVER:

BEFORE AFTER

Date of Test _____
Oil Production, bbls. per day _____
Gas Production, Mcf per day _____
Water Production, bbls. per day _____
Gas-Oil Ratio, cu. ft. per bbl. _____
Gas Well Potential, Mcf per day _____
Witnessed by _____

(Company)

OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Name M. L. Armstrong
Title DEC 14 1960
Date OIL AND GAS INSPECTOR

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

Name James S. Wood
Position Engineer
Company M. R. Volta

NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION
MISCELLANEOUS REPORTS ON WELLS

(Submit to appropriate District Office as per Commission Rule 1106)

DEC 14 1960

COMPANY H. R. Volts 1002 West Wall Midland, Texas D. C. C.
(Address) ANTENNA OFFICE

LEASE Samuel V. Barber WELL NO. 1 UNIT I S 9 T 118 R 232

DATE WORK PERFORMED 8/2/60 & 8/29/60 POOL Wildcat

This is a Report of: (Check appropriate block) ☐ Results of Test of Casing Shut-off
☐ Beginning Drilling Operations ☐ Remedial Work
☐ Plugging ☒ Other Setting 10-3/4" Casing.

Detailed account of work done, nature and quantity of materials used and results obtained.
8:00 P.M. 8/1/60. Drilled 15" hole to 30'. Ran 2 lbs. 10-3/4", 12' SBC 3-55
Casing. 10000 cement w/38 oz regular with 2% calcium chloride, W.O.C. 24 hrs., tested
casing @ 500# for 30 minutes, test o.k., drilled out, tested cement @ 200# for 15 min.,
test o.k.

FILL IN BELOW FOR REMEDIAL WORK REPORTS ONLY

Original Well Data:

DF Elev. _____ TD _____ PBD _____ Prod. Int. _____ Compl Date _____
Tbng. Dia _____ Tbng Depth _____ Oil String Dia _____ Oil String Depth _____
Pert Interval (s) _____
Open Hole Interval _____ Producing Formation (s) _____

RESULTS OF WORKOVER:

BEFORE

AFTER

Date of Test

Oil Production, bbls. per day

Gas Production, Mcf per day

Water Production, bbls. per day

Gas-Oil Ratio, cu. ft. per bbl.

Gas Well Potential, Mcf per day

Witnessed by _____

(Company)

OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Name

Title

Date

M. L. Armstrong
DEC 14 1960
OIL AND GAS INSPECTOR

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

Name

Position

Company

James E. Wood
Engineer
H. R. Volts

NI W MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION
MISCELLANEOUS REPORTS ON WELLS

(Submit to appropriate District Office as per Commission Rule 1106) NOV 21 1960

Form C-103
(Revised 3-55)
RECEIVED

COMPANY N. R. VOLTZ, 1022 West 2nd St., Midland, Texas D. C. C.
(Address) ARTESIA OFFICE

LEASE Kenneth V. Barbee WELL NO. 1 UNIT I 59 T 11A R 22
DATE WORK PERFORMED August 7, 1960 POOL Wildcat

This is a Report of: (Check appropriate block) ☐ Results of Test of Casing Shut-off
☒ Beginning Drilling Operations ☐ Remedial Work
☐ Plugging ☐ Other _____

Detailed account of work done, nature and quantity of materials used and results obtained.

Spud at August 7, 1960
TD 930'
Prod. Int. 892-912'
Perf. Int. 892-912'
Stimulation: 17,500 gal. reg. 15% acid, 1000# sand
Filling: 2" J-5 set @ 910'
cemented to surface

FILL IN BELOW FOR REMEDIAL WORK REPORTS ONLY

Original Well Data:

DF Elev. 3461' TD 930 PBD 918 Prod. Int. 892-912 Compl Date Sept. 5, 1960
Tbng. Dia 2" Tbng Depth 900 Oil String Dia 1-1/8" Oil String Depth 925'
Perf Interval (s) 892-912
Open Hole Interval 925-930 Producing Formation (s) San Andres

RESULTS OF WORKOVER:

Date of Test

Oil Production, bbls. per day

Gas Production, Mcf per day

Water Production, bbls. per day

Gas Oil Ratio, cu. ft. per bbl.

Gas Well Potential, Mcf per day

Witnessed by _____

BEFORE

AFTER

(Company)

OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Name M. L. Armstrong
Title OIL AND GAS INSPECTOR
Date DEC 14 1960

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

Name M. R. Valtz
Position Owner and Operator
Company N. R. VOLTZ

December 2, 1960

M. R. Volts
1002 West Wall
Midland, Texas

Re: Kenneth V. Barbee Well No. 1,
Unit I, Sec. 9-11S-25E, Chaves
County, New Mexico

Dear Sir:

This will acknowledge receipt of corrected forms C-104 and C-105 on the above-captioned well. Though this well is located in the water basin, it will be necessary for you to submit three (3) copies of form C-103 on each string of casing run.

Please secure this information as soon as possible and submit forms C-103 in detail as we requested in our letter of November 21, 1960. Your allowable cannot be assigned until this matter is taken care of.

Very truly yours,

OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

M. L. Armstrong
Supervisor, District no. 2

MLA/bh

MUTUAL 3-3250

P. O. BOX 2263

M. R. VOLTZ
1002 WEST WALL
MIDLAND, TEXAS

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DEC 2 1960

O. C. C.
ARTESIA OFFICE

November 30, 1960.

State of New Mexico
Oil Conservation Commission
321 Carper Building
Artesia, New Mexico

Attention: Mr. M. L. Armstrong, Supervisor

Re: Kenneth V. Barbee No. 1,
Unit I, Sec. 9-11S-25E,
Chaves County, New Mexico

Gentlemen:

We are returning completed forms C-104 and C-105 corrected as per your letter of November 21, 1960.

In addition to the corrections mentioned, you asked that we submit form C-103 on casing run and results of casing shut-off. We regret that we do not have this information available in any written form, and therefore, cannot be accurate in reporting the results. We trust that Mr. James L. Wright, Field Engineer, Water Rights Division, Roswell, New Mexico, has this information in correct form. If we can be of assistance in obtaining the information from that office, please contact us.

Yours very truly,

M. R. VOLTZ

M. R. Voltz
J. Osterport

J. L.

November 21, 1960

M. R. Volta
1002 West Wall
Midland, Texas

Re: Kenneth V. Barbee Well No. 1,
Unit I, Sec. 9-11S-25E, Chaves
County, New Mexico

Dear Sir:

We are in receipt of forms C-103, C-104, and C-105 on the above-captioned well. We are returning forms C-104 and C-105 and request that you make the following corrections:

- 1) On form C-104 please give "date first new oil run to tanks;"
- 2) Please give complete casing and cementing record information in the space provided on form C-104;
- 3) Casing and cementing record information on forms C-104 and C-105 should coincide - please adjust accordingly.

In addition to the above, it will be necessary for you to submit three (3) copies of form C-103 on each string of casing run, stating depth, number of sacks of cement, and results of test of casing shutoff.

Please submit these forms to this office as soon as possible so that your allowable can be assigned.

Very truly yours,

OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

M. L. Armstrong
Supervisor, District No. 2

MLA/bh

Enc.

OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

207 CARPER BUILDING

ARTESIA, NEW MEXICO

October 3, 1960

M. R. Volts
1002 West Wall
Midland, Texas

Re: Kenneth V. Barbee Well No. 1,
Unit I, Sec. 9-11S-25E, Wildcat
Pool, Elaves County, New Mexico

Dear Sir:

This will acknowledge receipt of form C-110 on the above-captioned well. Before this form can be approved, it will be necessary for you to submit three (3) copies of form C-103 on each string of pipe run, indicating depth, number of sacks cement, and results of test of casing shutoff. It will be necessary for you to submit form C-104 (Request for Allowable) along with forms C-103. Form C-105 (Well Record) should be submitted within twenty days of the completion date.

Please see that these forms are filed as soon as possible.

Very truly yours,

OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

M. L. Armstrong
Supervisor, District No. 2

MLA/bh

NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION
Santa Fe, New Mexico

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO DRILL

Notice must be given to the District Office of the Oil Conservation Commission and approval obtained before drilling or recompletion begins. If changes in the proposed plan are considered advisable, a copy of this notice showing such changes will be returned to the sender. Submit this notice in **QUINTUPPLICATE**. One copy will be returned following approval. See additional instructions in Rules and Regulations of the Commission. If State Land submit 6 Copies Attach Form G-128 in triplicate to District Office, 5 copies of form G-301.

Midland, Texas

(Place)

August 7, 1960

(Date)

OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION
SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

Gentlemen:

You are hereby notified that it is our intention to commence the Drilling of a well to be known as

R. H. VOLTA

(Company or Operator)

Samuel V. Barbee

(Lease)

Well No. **1**

in **1**

(Unit)

The well is

located **1900** feet from the **South** line and **640** feet from the

East

of Section **9**

T. **11S**

R. **25E**

NMPM

(GIVE LOCATION FROM SECTION LINE)

Waldest

Pool, **Chavez**

County

If State Land the Oil and Gas Lease is No. _____

If patented land the owner is **Samuel V. Barbee**

Address **Roswell** **New Mexico**

We propose to drill well with drilling equipment as follows

rotary

The status of plugging bond is **current on deposit at Santa Fe**

Drilling Contractor **Allen Drilling Company, Odessa, Texas**

We intend to complete this well in the **San Andres**

formation at an approximate depth of **900** feet.

CASING PROGRAM

We propose to use the following strings of casing and to cement them as indicated

Size of Hole	Size of Casing	Weight per Foot	New or Re-cent. Head	Depth	Backs Cement
2 3/4"	5 1/2"/40	11	new	200	cemented to surface

If changes in the above plans become advisable we will notify you immediately

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: On recompletion give full details of proposed plan of work. APPROVAL IN SUBJECT TO OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION. ENTIRE PRODUCTION TO BE USED FOR RECOMPLETION OF THIS WELL. DRILL FOR OIL IN WELL NUMBER 102 R10, ROSWELL, NEW MEXICO. Sincerely yours,

Approved
Except as follows

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OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

By

R. H. VOLTA

President, Oil Center

New Mexico Valley

1000 N. 10th St., Santa Fe, N.M. 87501

NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION COM. FORM
Santa Fe, New Mexico

Form O-101
Revised 02/1/55

RECEIVED

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO DRILL AUG 1 1960

Notice must be given to the District Office of the Oil Conservation Commission and approval obtained before drilling or recompleting begins. If changes in the proposed plan are considered advisable, a copy of this notice showing such changes will be returned to the reader. Submit this notice in QUINTUPPLICATE. One copy will be returned following approval. See additional instructions in Rules and Regulations of the Commission. If State Land submit 6 Copies Attach Form C- 128 in triplicate to DISTRICT OFFICE of Form O-101

Midland, Texas

7-29-60

(Place)

(Date)

OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION
SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

Gentlemen:

You are hereby notified that it is our intention to commence the Drilling of a well to be known as
M. R. Voltz

(Company or Operator)

Kenneth V. Barbee

(Lease)

Well No. **1**, in **1** (Unit) The well is

located **1980** feet from the **South** line and **650** feet from the

East line of Section **9**, T. **11S**, R. **25E**, NMPM.

(GIVE LOCATION FROM SECTION LINE: **Wilcat** Pool, **Chaves** County

D	C	B	A
E	F	G	H
I	K	J	I
M	N	O	P

If State Land the Oil and Gas Lease is No.

If patented land the owner is **Kenneth V. Barbee**

Address **Roswell** **New Mexico**

We propose to drill well with drilling equipment as follows:

Rotary

The status of plugging bond is **Current on deposit at Santa Fe**

Drilling Contractor **Walter Drilling Co.**
Midland, Texas

We intend to complete this well in the **San Andres** formation at an approximate depth of **950** feet.

CASING PROGRAM

We propose to use the following strings of Casing and to cement them as indicated:

Size of Hole	Size of Casing	Weight per Foot	New or Second Hand	Depth	Backs Cement
8-3/4	5-1/2	14	new	900	Cemented to surface

If changes in the above plan become advisable, we will notify you immediately.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: If recompletion give full details of proposed plan of work.

Approved
Except as follows:

By

OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

ASATK
DISTRICT OFFICE
SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO
RECEIVED
AUG 1 1960

WALTER DRILLING CO.
MIDLAND, TEXAS
BY **Walter Drilling Co.**

**NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION
WELL LOCATION AND ACREAGE DEDICATION PLAT**

FORM C-128
Revised 2/1/57
1960

SEE INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETING THIS FORM ON THE REVERSE SIDE

SECTION A

ARTESIA, OFFICE

Operator <u>M. R. Volte</u>		Lease <u>Kenneth V. B. Lee</u>		Well No. <u>1</u>
Unit Lease <u>1</u>	Section <u>9</u>	Township <u>11 SOUTH</u>	Range <u>25 EAST</u>	County <u>CHAVES</u>
Actual Footage Location of Well: <u>1980</u> feet from the <u>SOUTH</u> line and <u>660</u> feet from the <u>EAST</u> line				
Ground Level Elev. <u>3960</u>	Producing Formation <u>SA</u>	Pool <u>Wildcat</u>	Dedicated Acreage: _____ Acres	

1. Is the Operator the only owner in the dedicated acreage outlined on the plat below? YES _____ NO _____. ("Owner" means the person who has the right to drill into and to produce from any pool and to appropriate the production either for himself or for himself and another. (65-3-29 (e) NMSA 1955 Comp.)
2. If the answer to question one is "no," have the interests of all the owners been consolidated by communitization agreement or otherwise? YES _____ NO _____. If answer is "yes," Type of Consolidation _____
3. If the answer to question two is "no," list all the owners and their respective interests below:

Owner	Land Description

SECTION B

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the information in SECTION A above is true and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Name M. R. Volte
Position Drilling Contractor
Company Owner M. R. Volte
Date 7-29-60

I hereby certify that the well location shown on the plat in SECTION B was plotted from field notes of actual surveys made by me or under my supervision, and that the same is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

0 330 660 990 1320 1650 1980 2310 2640 2970 3300 3630 3960 4290 4620 4950 5280 5610 5940 6270 6600

BEFORE EXAMINER NUTTER

OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

EXHIBIT NO. 2

CASE NO. 2746

\$10,000.00 Blanket Bond Form 39-A1

BLANKET SURETY COMPANY BOND WITH PRINCIPAL A CORPORATION, PARTNERSHIP OR OTHER ASSOCIATION OR INDIVIDUAL FOR OIL AND GAS WELLS UPON STATE LANDS, STATE LANDS UNDER STATE PURCHASE CONTRACT, WITH MINERALS RESERVED, LANDS PATENTED BY STATE, WITH MINERALS RESERVED, AND UPON LANDS PATENTED BY THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA TO PRIVATE INDIVIDUALS.

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS:

That: M. B. Volta, an individual

(Note: Principal will insert here whether individual, partnership or corporation. If corporation,

specify in what state corporation is organized, in what city it has its principal office and whether it is

authorized to do business in the State of New Mexico)

BY PRINCIPAL and Continental Casualty Company

Continental Casualty Company, organized under and existing by virtue of the laws of the State of Illinois, is authorized to do business in the State of New Mexico with a deposit of not less than \$25,000.00 in approved securities with the State of New Mexico pursuant to Section 60-405 New Mexico Statutes, Annotated, Compilation, 1941, with duly appointed resident agent in the State of New Mexico for the execution of this bond in behalf of the Surety Company hereto in pursuance to Section 60-417 New Mexico Statutes, Annotated, Compilation, 1941 as SURETY are held and firmly bound unto the State of New Mexico, for the use and benefit of the Oil Conservation Commission of New Mexico pursuant to Chapter 72, Laws of New Mexico, 1935, as amended, and to the State of New Mexico for the use and benefit of the persons, corporations, or associations hereinafter designated as Holders of State Purchasing Contracts, or Holders of Deeds for State Lands, with minerals reserved pursuant to Section 8-1119, New Mexico Statutes, Annotated, Compilation, 1941, in the sum of

\$10,000.00 (Ten Thousand Dollars) for the payment of which well and truly to be made, said principal and surety hereby bind themselves their successors or assigns, jointly and severally, firmly by these presents.

Sealed with our seals and dated this 30th day of July, 1957

The conditions of this obligation are as follows:

WHEREAS, the above principal has heretofore or may hereafter enter into oil and gas mining leases and or Carbon Dioxide (CO₂) gas leases with the State of New Mexico of various dates and periods of duration covering the land described in such leases;

WHEREAS, said leases were entered into by the said principal, subject to the requirements of the provisions of Section 132-423, New Mexico Statutes, Annotated, 1929;

WHEREAS, all or part of the lands embraced in said leases have been sold, with minerals reserved to the State of New Mexico to various purchasers who either hold such limited patents from the State of New Mexico or State purchase contracts, entitling the holders of contracts to such limited patents upon complete payment, as shown by the official records of the Commissioner of Public Lands; and

WHEREAS, the above bounden principal, individually or in association with one or more other parties, has commenced and or may from time to time commence and prosecute the drilling of wells to prospect for and produce oil and/or gas, and/or Carbon Dioxide (CO₂) gas on land owned or lease owned or operate such wells or such wells started by other, on land embraced in said State oil and gas mining leases, and/or Carbon Dioxide (CO₂) gas leases and on lands patented by the United States of America to private individuals, the identification and location of said wells being expressly waived by both principal and said parties;

NOW, THEREFORE, if the above bounden principal and surety or either of them or their successors or assigns, or any of them, shall plug all of said wells, in accordance with the plan approved by the Oil Conservation Commission, through the State Geologist when dry or when abandoned, in such way as to confine the oil, gas and water in their respective strata in which they are contained, and prevent them from escaping to other strata;

AND, FURTHER, if the above bounden principal and surety or either of them or their successors or assigns, or any of them, upon demand shall make good and sufficient reclamation, satisfaction and or payment unto the holders of state purchase contracts or holders of patents for State lands with minerals reserved to the State then being executors, administrators, successors and assigns of said lands, for any damage to the livestock, water, crops or land, the improvements on such lands as may be suffered by such purchasers or his successors in interest, by reason of such oil and or gas development, and or Carbon Dioxide (CO₂) gas development, use or occupation of such lands by such lessee or principal, during the entire period of such oil, land or gas operations and or Carbon Dioxide (CO₂) gas operations by the principal on such lands or for such damages as a result of compliance with the above conditions and fix in any action brought on this bond;

PROVIDED, HOWEVER, that the obligation of the Surety hereon shall remain in full force and effect until the expiration of thirty (30) days from receipt by the Oil Conservation Commission of written notice from the Surety of cancellation hereof, and until it shall be determined by the State of New Mexico that the property or wells thereto or acquired, drilled or started

THEN THEREFORE, this obligation shall be null and void; otherwise and in default of complete compliance with any and all of said obligations, the same shall remain in full force and effect.

(Note: Principal, if corporation, affix corporate seal here).

M. R. Volts

Principal

By X

M. R. Volts

Continental Casualty Company

By

R. A. Lockwood Jr.

Attorney-in-fact

Power of Attorney attached.

(Note: Corporate surety affix corporate seal here).

(Note: If corporate surety executes this bond by an attorney-in-fact not in New Mexico, the resident New Mexico agent shall countersign here below.)

by:

Edward N. Ketchum

Resident Agent.

Albuquerque

New Mexico.

(Note: The following acknowledgment form is to be used for the principal in case of a natural person acting in his own right.)

STATE OF

Texas

COUNTY OF

Midland

ss

On this

30th

day of

July

19

57

before me personally appeared

M. R. Volts

to me known to be the person (persons) described in and who executed the foregoing instrument and acknowledged that he (they) executed the same as his (their) free act and deed.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and seal on the day and year in this certificate first above written.

A. Williams

Notary Public

Midland County

Notary Public

A. Williams

Notary Public

My Commission expires

6-1-59

(Note: The following acknowledgment form is to be used by the principal in the case of a natural person acting by attorney.)

STATE OF

COUNTY OF

ss

On this

day of

19

before me personally appeared

to me known to be the person who executed the foregoing instrument in behalf of

and acknowledged that he executed the same as the free act and deed of said

IN WITNESS WHEREOF I have hereunto set my hand and seal on the day and year in this certificate first above written

Notary Public.

My Commission expires

(Note: The following acknowledgment form is to be used where the principal is a corporation.)

STATE OF _____ }
COUNTY OF _____ } ss.

On this _____ day of _____, 19____, before me personally appeared _____
_____ to me personally known,
who, being by me duly sworn, did say that he is _____
of _____ and that the seal affixed to
said instrument is the corporate seal of said corporation, and that said instrument was signed and sealed in behalf
of said corporation by authority of its board of directors, and the said _____
acknowledged said instrument to be the free act and deed of said corporation.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and seal on the day and year in this certificate first
written.

Notary Public.

(The following acknowledgment form is to be used by the corporate surety.)

STATE OF Oklahoma }
COUNTY OF Tulsa } ss.

On this 30th day of July, 1957, before me appeared _____
R. R. Lockwood, Jr. to me personally known,
who, being by me duly sworn, did say that he is Attorney-in-Fact
of CONTINENTAL CASUALTY COMPANY and that the seal
affixed to said instrument is the corporate seal of said corporation, and that said instrument was signed and sealed
in behalf of said corporation by authority of its board of directors, and the said R. R. Lockwood, Jr.
acknowledged said instrument to be the free act and deed of said corporation.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and seal on the day and year in this certificate first
above written.

Notary Public.

My commission expires 12-2-59

APPROVED BY:

OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION
OF NEW MEXICO

By _____

APPROVED BY:

Commissioner of Public Lands.

CONTINENTAL CASUALTY COMPANY

Chicago, Illinois

AN ILLINOIS CORPORATION

Certificate of Authority Individual Attorney-in-Fact.

Know All Men by these Presents. That the **CONTINENTAL CASUALTY COMPANY**, a corporation duly organized and existing under the laws of the State of Illinois, and having its principal office in the City of Chicago, and State of Illinois, hath made, constituted and appointed, and does by these present, make, constitute and appoint R. R. LOCKWOOD, JR.

of Tulsa, Oklahoma

its true and lawful Attorney-in-Fact with full power and authority hereby conferred to sign, seal and execute in its behalf bonds, undertakings and other obligatory instruments of similar nature as follows:

WITHOUT LIMITATIONS

and to bind the **CONTINENTAL CASUALTY COMPANY** thereby as fully and to the same extent as if such instruments were signed by the duly authorized officers of the **CONTINENTAL CASUALTY COMPANY** and all the acts of said Attorney, pursuant to the authority hereby given are hereby ratified and confirmed.

This Power of Attorney is made and executed pursuant to and by authority of the following By-Law duly adopted by the Board of Directors of the Company.

"Article XI - Surety Bonds and Undertakings.

Section 2. Appointment of Attorney-in-Fact. The President or any Vice President may from time to time, appoint by written certificates attorneys-in-fact to act in behalf of the Company in the execution of policies of insurance, bonds, undertakings and other obligatory instruments of like nature. Such attorneys-in-fact, subject to the limitations set forth in their respective certificates of authority shall have full power to bind the Company by their signature and execution of any such instrument and to attach the seal of the Company thereto. The President or any Vice President or the Board of Directors may at any time revoke all power and authority previously given to any attorney-in-fact."

In Witness Whereof, the **CONTINENTAL CASUALTY COMPANY** has caused these presents to be signed by its Vice President and its corporate seal to be hereto affixed this 9th day of September, 1948.

CONTINENTAL CASUALTY COMPANY

(SEAL)

W. E. KRAFT
Vice President

State of Illinois, County of Cook, ss:

On this 9th day of September, 1948, before me personally came

W. E. KRAFT

known to me, who, being by me duly sworn, did depose and say that he resides in the City of Chicago, State of Illinois; that he is a Vice-President of the **CONTINENTAL CASUALTY COMPANY**, the corporation described in and which executed the above instrument; that he knows the seal of said corporation; that the seal affixed to the said instrument is such corporate seal and that it was so affixed pursuant to authority given by the Board of Directors of said corporation and that he signed his name thereto pursuant to like authority, and acknowledges same to be the true and lawful act of said corporation.

(NOTES TO SEAL)

W. E. KRAFT

My commission Expires Dec 31, 1951

WITNESSETH

I, W. E. KRAFT, Secretary of said **CONTINENTAL**

CASUALTY COMPANY do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the original of the same.

Witness my hand and the seal of said company at Chicago, Ill., this 9th day of September, 1948.

W. E. KRAFT, Secretary of said company.

Noted and attested at Chicago, Ill., this 9th day of September, 1948.