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PAGE 1 BEFORE THE NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION CONVENTIONS Santa Fe, New Mexico September 22, 1965 SPECIALIZING IN DEPOSITIONS, HEARINGS, STATEMENTS, EXPERT TESTIMONY, DAILY COPY, EXAMINER HEARING dearnley-meier reporting service, inc. 1120 SIMMS RIDG. . P. O. BOX 1092 . PHONE 243-6691 . AIBUQUERQUE, NEW MEXICO IN THE MATTER OF: Application of Amerada Petroleum Case No. 3304) Corporation for a unit agreement, Lea County, New Mexico. and 3305 Application of Amerada Petroleum Case No Corporation for a waterflood CONSOLIDATED project, Lea County, New Mexico. Daniel S. Nutter, Examiner BEFORE: NAMES OF COMPANY OF COMPANY a strant strange TRANSCRIPT OF HEARING

MR. NUTTER: We'll call Case 3304.

MR. DURRETT: Application of Amerada Petroleum Corporation for a unit agreement, Lea County, New Mexico. MR. NUTTER: Do you want to consolidate Cases 3304 and 3305?

MR. KELLAHIN: Yes, we would like to ask that Cases 3304 and 3305 be consolidated for the purposes of the record. MR. NUTTER: We'll call next Case 3305.

MR. DURRETT: Application of Amerada Petroleum Corporation for a waterflood project, Lea County, New Mexico. MR. NUTTER: Is there any objection to the consolidation of the cases? For the purposes of testimony, the cases will be consolidated.

MR. KELLAHIN: Jason Kellahin, Kellahin and Fox, Santa Fe, New Mexico; appearing in association, Mr. Thomas W. Lynch, a member of the Oklahoma Bar, who will present the two cases.

MR. LYNCH: We would like to call two witnesses in these consolidated cases, Mr. Andrew E. Snyder, Mr. Joe B. Denton. The first witness will be Mr. Snyder.

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DIRECT EXAMINATION CONVENTIONS BY MR. LYNCH: Will you state your name and your occupation and by **}** 0 NEW MEXICO DEPOSITIONS, HEARINGS, STATE MENTS, EXPERT TESTIMONY, DAILY whom you are employed, for the record? 30 My name is Andrew E. Snyder and I am employed by Albuquerque, N Albuquerque, New Α dearnley-meier reporting service, Amerada Petroleum Corporation in Tulsa, Oklahoma, as a Petroleum Engineer. And have you testified previously before the Oil 243-1294 Q 256-PHONE Conservation Commission as a Petroleum Engineer? PHONE 1092 1092 Yes, sir. - A BOX 10 EAST Are you familiar with the area which is the subject P.O. B BANK Q S BLDG. of Amerada's application in this consolidated proceeding? SPECIALIZING IN SIMMS FIRST N Yes, sir. **A**_≦ 1120 Mr. Snyder, would you examine first what should be Q marked as Exhibit 1? (Whereupon, Applicant's Exhibit No. 1 marked for identification.) MR. LYNCH: Mr. Examiner, I might state that this Exhibit 1 is precisely the same as one of the Exhibits attached to the application except for what Mr. Snyder will point out. (By Mr. Lynch) Mr. Snyder, will you examine this 0 Exhibit and tell us what it shows? This Exhibit is a location plat, lease plat, showing Α all of the wells in the leasehold of record surrounding the

PAGE 4 proposed Warren McKee Unit in portions of Township 20 South, CONVENTIONS Range 30 East, Lea County, New Mexico. This map shows the EXPERT TESTIMONY, DAILY COPY, unit outline in a dark dashed outline, the four proposed water ALBUQUERQUE, NEW MEXICO
 ALBUQUERQUE, NEW MEXICO injection wells outlined in red, and the zone of completion dearnley-meier reporting service, of all the wells in this area. Does this unit consist of all of the Warren McKee Q Pool? STATE 243-6 No, sir. Α PHONE 256-HEARINGS, What portion of the Warren McKee 1301 does this unit Q ° 33 DEPOSITIONS, consist of? BOX 10 P.O. E This unit is essentially the North Half of the Warren Α S BLDC. . ž McKee Pool. SPECIALIZING 1120 SIMMS 1 1213 FIIST N When was the Warren McKee Pool discovered, Mr. Q Snyder? The first well was drilled in 1948. It was Α Continental's Warren Unit McKee No. 3. Actually it doesn't show up on this map, it's south. Q It is in the South Half? 'n Yes. Q As shown by the current proration schedule, how many wells are there in the entire pool? Α Forty-two. Q How many wells completed in the Warren McKee are there within the unit area?

5 There are twenty-three wells, of which four are Α DEPOSITIONS, HEARINGS, STATE MENTS, EXPERT TESTIMONY, DAILY COPY, CONVENTIONS temporarily abandoned and nineteen are producing. Those four temporarily abandoned wells are ---Q Are the four wells that are proposed for salt water Albuquerque, new mexico Albuquerque, new mexico IIIC. Α injection. dearnley-meier reporting service, What spacing is in effect for this pool? Q Forty-acre Statewide. Α 243-6691 What is the top allowable for the pool? Q PHONE VE 256-140 barrels per day. Α ۶ž Are any of the wells in the pool, not just those in • 065 Q BOX 10 the unit, but any wells in the entire pool capable of making P.O. 1120 SIMMS BLDG. SPECIALIZING IN top allowable at the present time? No, sir. Α Of those wells within the unit area, what is the **្អ** average production in some recent month? In June, the last month that we had a record of all Α of the wells, the average production was twenty-three barrels per well per day for the nineteen producing wells in the unit. On this basis and on the basis of facts which you'll Q testify about later concerning the reservoir characteristics and performance, are you of the opinion that this reservoir is at the present time in an advanced stage of depletion? Yes, sir. A Would you call it a stripper stage? Q

A Yes, sir.

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Q Would you now examine what the reporter is marking as Exhibit No. 2?

> (Whereupon, Applicant's Exhibit No. 2 marked for identification.)

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Q What does Exhibit 2 show, Mr. Snyder?

A Exhibit 2 is a structure map primarily of the entire Warren McKee reservoir showing the two distinct highs in the field, a high in the north portion of the field and another high in the south portion. The reservoir itself is anticlinal in nature with a fault along the east side. Again the unit outline is shown in red, and the four proposed injection wells also shown in red.

Q What sort of entrapment, how would you characterize the entrapment of hydrocarbon in the reservoir?

A That's an anticlinal structure. The oil is underlain by water.

Q You classify it as a structural trap?

A Yes, sir.

Q What sort of drive mechanism prevails in the field?

A The drive predominantly is solution gas drive.

There may be some very small minor amount of water drive, but it's very negligible, if any at all.

Q Would you now examine what should be marked as Exhibit 3?

7 (Whereupon, Applicant's Exhibit No. 3 marked for identification.) CONVENTIONS Tell us what that shows. Q Exhibit 3 is a type log in the Warren McKee Unit. HEARINGS, STATE MENTS, EXPERT TESTIMONY, DAILY COPY, Α ALBUQUERQUE, NEW MEXICO
ALBUQUERQUE, NEW MEXICO It is the particular log of Amerada's Turner No. 2. We have the normal electric S-P and Resistivity logs, and in addition to that a microlog showing zones of porosity. On the extreme right-hand boundary of the exhibit you'll notice a line drawn 1392 • PHONE 243-6691 at a depth of 8961, which is the top of the McKee in this particular well, another line at 9194 which is the base of the SPECIALIZING IN DEPOSITIONS. McKee and the top of the Waddell Sand. This is to be the P.O. BOX 13 BANK EAST unitized interval of the Warren McKee Unit. 1) 20 SIMMS ELDG. • 1213 FIRST NATIONAL This unitized interval as you have shown on Exhibit 0 2 is as described in the unit agreement? Yes, sir. Α Is this entire interval treated as a single pool Q or a common source of supply by the Commission? Yes, sir. Α All right. Would you now examine what should be Q marked as Exhibit 4? (Whereupon, Applicant's Exhibit No. 4 marked for identification.) What does this exhibit show, Mr. Snyder? Q Exhibit 4 is a tabulation or a data sheet concerning Α this reservoir. In the column of "General", most of that we



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PAGE have primarily talked about, the current capacity and the CONVENTION number of wells and so on. It also shows the cumulative production to July 1st, 1965, 8,193,000 barrels. NEW MEXICO W MEXICO DAILY TESTIMONY Looking down at "Reservoir Properties", what is a 1 • ALBUQUERQUE, NE ALBUQUERQUE, NEW J dearnley-meier reporting service, representative porosity for that portion of the reservoir EXPERT included in the unit? SPECIALIZING IN, DEPOSITIONS, HEARINGS, STATE MENTS, Average porosity from core analysis, I figure to be Α 1294 16.4 percent. PHONE 254-1 What would be the representative water saturation ≏ Q 260 BCX 1 figure? P.O. BANK About forty-two percent. 1120 SIMMS BLDC. - A And a representative permeability? Q Α 99.8 millidarcies. What is the oil gravity? Q About forty-five degrees. A Some of these other items of information shown on Q this exhibit will be covered in later testimony, is that correct? Α Yes. Would you now examine what should be marked as Q Exhibit 5 and Exhibit 6? (Whereupon, Applicant's Exhibits Nos. 5 and 6 marked for identification.) Would you just briefly describe what Exhibit 5 and Q

Exhibit 6 are?

A These exhibits show the same thing. One, Exhibit 5, is in tabular form showing the monthly history of this field from the time it was discovered up until the current time, showing barrels of oil produced, barrels of water, average gas-oil ratio, and average bottom hole pressure.

Looking at Exhibit 6, this shows up better as a picture showing that it is a normal type of solution gas drive field. The bottom hole pressure, the top curve on the exhibit, the pressure decline from an initial of 3486 pounds per square inch down to the last pressure measured in April of 1962 was 499 pounds. This pressure undoubtedly has continued to decline and we expect that currently it's somewhere between 400 pounds. Q Are the figures shown on Exhibits 5 and 6 for all of the wells in the pool, or those wells within the Unit Area? A Only those within the Unit Area.

Q What has happened to the gas-oil ratio during this same period of time?



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A The gas-oil ratio again has occurred like we would expect, starting from an initial of about 600 cubic feet per barrel to the last gas-oil ratio we had, about 3820 cubic feet per barrel in June of 1965.

Q Mr. Snyder, you stated that the cumulative production to July 1st, 1965, was slightly over 8,000,000 barrels?

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Α Yes, sir.

0 What would be a reasonable estimate of the primary recovery, total ultimate primary recovery?

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9,232,928 barrels. Α

Q Based on what you've said so far in connection with Exhibits 5 and 6 concerning the reservoir performance, what would you say would be the stage of primary depletion at the present time?

The reservoir is in an advanced stage of depletion. Α It figures out to be about 89 percent depleted.

So this substantiates your conclusions that you 0 arrived at on the basis CF the decline in the productivity of the wells?

Mr. Snyder, what would you expect to be the volume 0 of secondary oil recovered if secondary recovery operations were instigated in this field?

A The estimate that we had made was for an additional 2,385,000 barrels of secondary oil to be recovered.

This is over and above the total primary?



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Yes, sir. А

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Have you made a study of the economics of conducting Q the secondary recovery program in this unit?

Α Yes, sir. Q Would the value of the additional recovery exceed the cost of producing that oil?

A Yes, it would.

Q Mr. Snyder, would you now refer back to the structure map, Exhibit 2, and very briefly explain the proposed waterflood program with respect to the location of the wells and the structure and so forth?

A Initially, to start out this waterflood program we anticipate injecting water into the north end of the field as shown by the four injection wells. As response occurs, when and if it does, we would expect that water will be injected in the south end of the unit also, and that we would in effect have an end-to-end flood in this reservoir.

Q Would you now examine what should be marked as Exhibits 7 through 10?

> (Whereupon, Applicant's Exhibits Nos. 7 through 10, both inclusive, marked for identification.)

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Q What are Exhibits 7 through 10?



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A Exhibit 7 is a log of one of the injection wells, Unit Well No. 102, which shows the top of the McKee at 9140 feet. The Exhibit No. 8 is the log of injection Well No. 201, shows the estimated top of the McKee at 9151. This well bottomed up what appeared to be right in the very top of the McKee is the reason we called it an estimate. It was very

difficult to tell, but it appeared to be in the top and it CONVENTION did produce, so we're pretty sure that's a good figure. λ Ο Exhibit 9 is a log of Injection Well No. 202 showing DAILY Albuquerque, New MEXICO Albuquerque, New MEXICO the top of the McKee at 9160 feet. Exhibit 10 is a log of TESTIMONY, Unit Injection Well No. 203, shows the top of the McKee at EXPERT 9138 feet. STATE MENTS. Now the injection well numbers that you just gave me ∕Q 243-6691 are numbers that will be assigned in the event of unitization? PHONE 24
 PHONE 24 HEARINGS, Yes, sir. Α • 100 DEPOSITIONS, These wells are also identified by the lease names Q i BOX 10 EAST P.O. B BANK and therefore can be related to previous exhibits such as IS BLDG. . ž Exhibit 2, the structure map? SFECIALIZING SIMMS FIRST N A Yes, sir. 1120 Would you now examine what the reporter is marking as Q Exhibits 11 through 14? (Whereupon, Applicant's Exhibits Nos. 11 through 14, both inclusive,

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A These four exhibits are schematic diagrams of the four injection wells. We might look at two of these in detail. Well No. 102 is Exhibit No. 11. This shows the current condition of this well, the depth and cementing practices of the casing strings, the anticipated packer setting depth, and the tube string where the perforations are, from 9145 to 9214,

Tell us what those show.

marked for identification.)

and open hole interval from 9225 to 9250. We anticipate no changes in this well in putting it on injection.

Exhibit No. 12 is very similar to No. 13 and 14. It also shows the schematic diagram of the equipment in the well and the anticipated packer setting depth, the tubing string, but this well will be deepened from the current depth of 9165 to about 9310 and a liner set and cemented, and perforations made from 9152 to 9305.

The other two wells, as I mentioned, on Exhibits 13 and 14, are similar to this in that they will be deepened and liner set and selectively perforated for completion.

Q Will the completions that you have outlined on Exhibits 11 through 14 prevent contamination to fresh water and damage from any other oil or gas zones that might be found in the area?

MR. LYNCH: I might point out at this time, also, Mr. Examiner, that the Exhibits 11 through 14 are identical to the exhibits that were attached to the application.



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Q (By Mr. Lynch) Mr. Snyder, what is the anticipated daily volume of water to be injected per injection well per day?

A We think we'll be able to get 3,000 barrels a well per day into the reservoir. Q All right. Are you going to use any surface pressure in injecting this water?

A No, sir, we anticipate that it will go by gravity.
Q What is the source of the water that you intend to inject?

A It will be San Andres water.

Q This is not fresh water, this is salty water?

A Yes, sir.

Q Would you now examine, Mr. Snyder, what the reporter is marking as Exhibit 15?

> (Whereupon, Applicant's Exhibit No. 15 marked for identification.)

Q Tell us what Exhibit 15 shows.

A Exhibit 15 is a tabulation by leases of all of the tracts in this proposed unit, showing the participation parameters that were used in the derivation of interest within the unit. The four parameters were current rate of production based on a period from December 1st, 1963 to June 1st, 1964. We had a remaining primary factor and an adjusted acre-feet factor and ultimate primary factor. These were combined into a split phase formula, a phase one formula, as shown at the bottom of the exhibit, until 1,253,100 barrels of oil had been produced after June the 1st, 1964. Participation from this phase was to be forty-five percent current production plus forty-five percent remaining primary and ten percent adjusted



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acre-feet. After this primary is recovered, then phase two formula for the remaining secondary oil was to be distributed on the basis of one-third adjusted acre-feet and two-thirds of the ultimate primary.

Q And the upper portion of the exhibit shows, sets cut for each tract those parameters?

A Yes, sir.

Q Mr. Snyder, in conclusion, is it your opinion that the proposed waterflood program is in the interest of conservation and will increase the ultimate recovery of oil and protect correlative rights?

A Yes, I believe it will.

Q Will a waterflood program conducted on a unit basis as you have presented here today be more efficient than on a lease basis?

A Yes.

Q So in your opinion the unitization of the various leases in the area is necessary?

Yes.

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Q Will that portion of the Warren McKee Pool outside the unit area be adversely affected by this operation?

A No.

Q Should the injection program be classified as a waterflood project under Statewide Rule 701-E?

Yes, sir. Α CONVENTIONS Why is that? Q Due to the advanced stage of depletion, the low А EXPERT TESTIMONY, DAILY COPY bottom hole pressure, the general performance characteristics I • ALBUQUERQUE, NEW MEXICO ALBUQUERQUE, NEW MEXICO of the reservoir. Are you asking for any special allowable rules or 0 any other rules at the present time? DEPOSITIONS, HEARINGS, STATE MENTS. PHONE 243-6691
 PHONE 256-1294 A No, sir. MR. LYNCH: That's all we have of this witness. MR. NUTTER: Are there any questions of Mr. Snyder? BOX 1 EAST Mr. Durrett. P.O. P 1120 SIMMS BLDG. • 1213 FIRST NATIONAL CROSS EXAMINATION SPECIALIZING IN BY MR. DURRETT: Mr. Snyder, would you please give us your complete 0 name? Andrew E. Snyder. Â What does the initial "E" stand for? Q MR. NUTTER: You are under oath, Mr. Snyder. Yes, sir. Α MR. LYNCH: I might interject at this point, we had this same problem in Kansas and Mr. Snyder got up to leave the He wasn't going to proceed with his testimony. I was stand.

the most concerned person in the room.

MR. DURRETT: I might state to the Examiner that Mr.

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Snyder is in contempt of the Kansas Commission. That is the reason for my asking the question.

MR. NUTTER: You object to the question, Mr. Snyder?

A Yes, sir.

MR. NUTTER: Objection sustained this time. Did you have any further questions, Mr. Durrett?

MR. DURRETT: No, that's all at this time.

MR. NUTTER: Very pertinent to this testimony. Mr. Irby, did you have a question?

BY MR. IRBY:

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O Mr. Snyder, with regard to your Exhibit 1 and the larger scale map that came out with the application, is the red circle, the coloring on the proposed injection wells, and the scale the only difference in these two maps?

Q Now with regard to your Exhibit 2, I note that your contours are labeled "minus". Is that minus sea level datum or land surface?

A It's minus sea level.

Yes, sir.

Q Do you propose to reinject the produced water? A Not at the present time. The produced water volume is small and we're disposing of it in other methods and we would prefer not to inject it at the present time.

Q What is the daily average of water production from

7AGE 3.8 the wells now producing? CONVENTIONS Α Eighty-six barrels per day. COPY. MR. NUTTER: That's for all of the wells? NEW MEXICO EXPERT TESTIMONY, DAILY Yes, sir. Α (By Mr. Irby) How many wells? Q dearnley-meier reporting service, Α Nineteen wells. MR. LYNCH: That figure is shown on a monthly basis 2 2 on Exhibit 4, is that correct? INGS. ž % Yes, that's right. Α HEAR IONS, 0 (By Mr. Irby) How is this water presently disposed E SAT DEPOSI S BLENS. * P.O. BA of? ź Α I believe probably the water is presently left in SPECIALIZING SIMMS FIRST 1 the pit, I'm not real sure about it. An unlined pit? Q Probably so. It actually would be in several А different pits, since there are a number of different leases in the field. Do you intend to put additional wells on injection Q at a later date in this pool? Yes, sir. Α And are you seeking here today a method by which Q they can be approved administratively rather than coming in for another hearing? A I don't believe so. There are some other things that

19 PAGE would probably be involved that would probably include a COPY, CONVENTIONS hearing at the time that those are put on. 0 You don't have an estimate of when those other wells HEARINGS, STATE MENTS, EXPERT TESTIMONY, DAILY NEW MEXICO would go on? No, sir, it depends a great deal on what happens to dearnley-meier reporting service, А Albuquerque, I
 Albuquerque, New these north wells, the results, the response that we get from them. Q Is this going to be a closed system? 256 Α Yes, sir. DEPOSITIONS, • 8 Now on these three wells that you are going to Q P.O. BOX 10 L BANK EAST deepen and put the liner in, --S BLDG. • NATIONAL SPECIALIZING IN A Yes. 1120 SIMMS -- will the seal between the liner and the casing 0 that is already there be tested? Between the liner and the casing that's there? Α Q Yes. Α In other words, when we cement ---Q Yes. Α Yes, it will be. To pressure in excess of your injection pressure? Q Yes, sir. That's a normal practice whenever we set Α a liner. Q Now will you notify me of these results? Α Yes, sir, make a note to do so.

Thank you. Q MR. IRBY: I don't have any further questions. The State Engineer would recommend that the disposal of produced water in excess of a half-barrel per pit per day be disposed NEW MECHO of in some manner other than in unlined pits. That's all I NEW. Albuqueroi
 Albuqueroue, 1 have. BY MR. NUTTER: Mr. Snyder, what is the current depth of Wells 1294 • Q PHONE 2
 PHONE 256-1 Numbers 201, 202, and 203? Number 201, current depth is 9165; Number 202 is 8. A BOX 1 EAST 9210; and Number 203, 9143. P.O. And each of these will be deepened and a liner set, I BLDG. Q SIMMS FIRST I is that correct? 1120 Yes, sir. Α Now the ultimate depth of each of these wells will Q be in the McKee formation? Yes, sir. Ä Now I noted from one of the logs that we had -- let's Q see, it's Exhibit No. 3, that this Turner No. 2 Well has perforations in the Waddell and Connell formations as well as the McKee? No, sir, those are not perforations. I should have Ā pointed out that those blocked-in intervals are porosity intervals on the microlog.

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Those aren't the perforations in the well, then? Q Α No. Is the Waddell or the Connell formation open with 0 NEW MEXICO the McKee in any well in this unit area? Not at this time. ALBUQUERQUE, 1
 ALBUQUERQUE, NEW Α It was at one time? Q It was at one time in this particular well, the Α 243-6 Turner No. 2, I believe. We had a dual completion for a PHONE 2 number of years, and at a later date then, about 1961, I • 33 believe, the Commission granted us permission to bore-hole, BOX 1 P.O. commingle these two until we had depleted the Connell. It BLDG. was depleted about two years ago and made roughly 18,000 1120 SIMMS 1213 FIRST N barrels after we did that, and we have since plugged it off. So the Connell is plugged off, then? Q A Yes. Q So in none of your injection wells or in none of

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your production wells will any other formation be open except the McKee?

A That's right.



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Q Now this San Andres water that you are coing to be using for injection, is that produced water from an oil operation in some other poo¹ or will this be produced for the purpose of water injection?

A It will be produced for the purpose of injection.

Q What will be your source well?

A We anticipate that, if you'll refer back to Exhibit No. 2, on the Cities Service Byers Lease just north of the four injection wells, there's a dry hole.

Q Is that Number 4?

A The Number 4. We are anticipating we will make a supply well from that well, if it has no bad pipe in it or anything.

Q Is there any San Andres production in this immediate area?

A No, sir. The nearest San Andres production, I believe, is off to the west in the Monument Field, several miles.

Q You expect to inject 3,000 barrels per day per well, so that will be 12,000 barrels you are going to need initially?

A Initially, we will not need that much. In our committee work, working on this, we actually intend to inject into only one well to start with as a one-well pilot. If there are no problems entailed in this, in a very short time we will go to the other three wells also. At that time we probably will have to have another well for water supply. We anticipate that the one supply well might give up eight or possibly ten thousand barrels a day, but not enough for the four wells.



Your current thinking is that if these four wells show some sort of a response, you would come to the south end DEPOSITIONS, HEARINGS, STATE MENTS, EXPERT TESTIMONY, DAILY COPY, CONVENTIONS of the unit and start an end drive type of flood on the south NEW MEXICO half of the dome? And the results that are expected is that the oil A ALBUQUERQUE, N ALBUQUERQUE, NEW dearnley-meier reporting service, will move upstructure as the water is injected at the lower 12 . PHONE 243-6691 PHONE 256-1294 . points? That's right. Now I noted on your Exhibits 11 through 14, you Α made the statement that the tubing would be internally coated. • 8 BOX 10 1120 SIMMS BLDG . P.O. I 1213 FIRST NATIONAL BANK Is this plastic coating of the tubing or just what? A At this time I couldn't tell you what type of coating SPECIALIZING IN it is, but the San Andres water is corrosive so we will take every precaution necessary to protect everything from the corrosive properties of the water. And in each instance the injection would be through Q some kind of coated tubing and under a packer? Yes, sir. MR. NUTTER: Are there any further questions of Mr. Α Snyder? MR. IRBY: I have one more. BY MR. IRBY: For the record, Mr. Snyder, would you state whether Q

or not this water supply well in the San Andres formation EXPERT TESTIMONY, DAILY COPY, CONVENTIONS will be outside the Lea County underground water basin as declared by the State Engineer? 1 • ALBUQUERQUE, NEW MEXICO ALBUQUERQUE, NEW MEXICO If the water supply well --Α -- is outside the basin? Q I believe, sir, that it is included in the basin. Α Then have you made application to the State Engineer Q • PHONE 243-6591 PHONE 256-7294 • to withdraw this water? No. We will not be able to do that until the unit Α HEAR has been approved and several other things are settled, but we BOX 1092 DEPOSITIONS, will make that application. 1120 SIMMS BLDG. • P.O. B 1213 FIRST NATIONAL BANK SPECIALIZING IN MR. IRBY: Thank you. MR. NUTTER: Are there other questions of Mr. Snyder? He may be excused (Witness excused.) MR. LYNCH: We would like to call as our next witness Mr. Joe B. Denton. JOE B. DENTON called as a witness herein, having been first duly sworn on oath, was examined and testified as follows: DIRECT EXAMINATION BY MR. LYNCH: Mr. Denton, would you state your name and occupation Q

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and by whom you are employed, for the record? Joe B. Denton. I am Assistant District Landman, Α Amerada Petroleum Corporation, Midland, Texas. AIBUQUERQUE, NEW MEXICO
AIBUQUERQUE, NEW MEXICO Mr. Denton, have you testified previously before 0 this Commission? Yes. À Are you familiar with the application in this 0 243-6691 proceeding, the application of Amerada? PHONE 2 Α Yes. 83 ٠ Are you familiar with the Warren McKee, the proposed Q P.O. BOX 10 Warren McKee Unit and the unit agreement? 1120 SIMMS BLDG. • 1213 FIRST NATIONAL Α Yes. I would like to hand you first, Mr. Denton, what Q should be marked as Exhibit 16.

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16 marked for identification.) Q Mr. Denton, this Exhibit 16 is entitled Unit Agreement, Warren McKee Unit, Lea County, New Mexico. Is this agreement closely patterned after the A.P.I. model form?

(Whereupon, Applicant's Exhibit No.

A It is essentially the model form.

Q Is the unit area defined and described in this agreement?

A It is.

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Q Where is it described, is it described in Exhibits "A" and "B" of the Unit Agreement?

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SHORE	A "A" and "B" of the Unit Agreement.
EXPERT TESTIMONY, DAILY COPY, CONVENTIONS BUOUEROUE, NEW MEXICO DUERQUE, NEW MEXICO	Q By tract?
	A By tract.
	Q Are all of the tracts that are included in the Unit
	Area privately owned fee lands?
	A Yes.
SPECIALIZING IN. DEPOSITIONS, MEARINGS, STATE MENTS. 1120 SIMMS BLDC. • P.O. BOX 1092 • PHONE 243-6691 • A	Q There are no Federal or State lands involved?
	A There are no Federal or State lands involved in this
	whit, they're all fee.
	Q Under the Unit Agreement, who is to be the operator,
	at least initially?
	A Amerada will be.
	Q That's covered in Section 4.1?
	A Right.
	Q And are there various methods for qualifying tracts
	for inclusion within the unit?
	A There's three different methods for qualifying the
	different tracts.
	Q How many of the fifteen tracts shown on Exhibit "B"
	to the Unit Agreement have qualified for inclusion in the unit?
	A All of the tracts have qualified except Tract 15.
	The working interest owner has not executed the agreement but
	we expect him to within the next few days.
	Q Does the Unit Agreement expressly provide that it is

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subject to the conservation laws of the State and the Rules of the Commission, and other applicable State and Federal laws and regulations.

A Yes, it does.

Q What is to be the effective date of the unit? A The effective date will be on the filing of the certificate and after all the tracts have qualified, when that has been done.

Q So the certificate will be filed after the tracts have qualified?

A Right.

Q And after the Unit Agreement has been filed of record? A Correct.

Q And after this Commission has approved the Unit Agreement?

A Yes, sir.

Q Would you now examine, Mr. Denton, what should be marked as Exhibit 17?

(Whereupon, Applicant's Exhibit No. 17 marked for identification.)

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Q Mr. Denton, Exhibit 17 is entitled Ownership List, Warren McKee Unit, Lea County, New Mexico. I note that the exhibit is in two parts. Does one part deal with the working interest and the other part deal with the royalty interest?

A Yes, they do.

CONVENTIONS Looking at the first part first, dealing with Q working interest owners, how many working interest owners are , O there within the unit area? HEARINGS, STATE MENTS, EXPERT TESTIMONY, DAILY NEW MEXICC dearnley-meier reporting service, inc There's twenty-three working interest owners. А AIBUQUERQUE, I
 AIBUQUERQUE, NEW How many have executed the Unit Agreement? 0 Twenty-two. Α And the one that has not executed the Unit Agreement Q • PHONE 243-6691 owns the working interest in Tract 15, as you previously stated? 8.• DEPOSITIONS, BOX] À That's correct. P.O. BANK What is the percent of the total working interest Q that has been committed to the unit at the present time? SPECIALIZING 1120 SIMMS 1 1213 FIRST N We have 99.86993 percent. Α And that is shown on the second page? 0 That is shown on the second page, yes, the outstanding A interest, interest of the one Tract 15. Turning now to the second part of the exhibit which Q deals with royalty interest owners, how many royalty owners are there within the unit area? One hundred forty. A Q

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Q How many have executed the Unit Agreement?

A One hundred thirty-one.

Q And how about those that haven't executed the Unit Agreement; why haven't they executed?

PAGE 29 The parties who have not executed are involved in Α CONVENTIONS estates of deceased parties and so forth. We are in contact with all of the royalty owners except one whom we have been STATE MENTS. EXPERT TESTIMONY, DAILY COPY. PHONE 243-6691 • ALBUQUERQUE, NEW MEXICO PHONE 256-1294 • ALBUQUERQUE, NEW MEXICO unable to locate. dearnley-meier reporting service, inc. You don't know his address? 0 No, not been able to find it. Ä What percentage of the total royalty interest in the Q unit area has been committed to the unit? HEARINGS, A I have been advised this morning by the Midland Office that we have secured one other one. We now have BOX 1092 DEPOSITIONS, 1120 SIMMS BLDG. • P.O. E 1213 FIRST NATIONAL BANK 99.6327 percent. Mr. Denton, has anyone at all objected to the SPECIALIZING IN 0 creation of this unit? No, no party has. А MR. LYNCH: That's all we have of this witness. CROSS EXAMINATION BY MR. NUTTER: What is the actual acreage in this unit? Q 1785 acres. A MR. NUTTER: Are there any further questions of Mr. He may be excused. Denton? (Witness excused.) MR. LYNCH: Mr. Examiner, that's all the testimony We would like to offer in evidence Exhibits 1 through

we have.

30 PAGE 17. Amerada's Exhibits 1 through 17 will MR. NUTTER: CONVEN be admitted in evidence. SPECIALIZING IN. DEPOSITIONS, HEARINGS, STATE MENTS, EXPERT TESTIMONY, DAILY COPY, (Whereupon, Applicant's Exhibits Nos. 1120 SIMMS BLDG. • P.O. BOX 1092 • PHONE 243-6691 • ALBUOUEROUE, NEW MEXICO 1213 FIRST NATIONAL BANK EAST • PHONE 256-1294 • ALBUOUERQUE, NEW MEXICO dearnley-meier reporting service, inc. l through 17, both inclusive, offered and admitted in evidence.) MR. NUTTER: Does anyone have anything they wish to offer in Cases 3304, 3305, consolidated? If not, we will take the case under advisement.

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STATE OF NEW MEXICO) SPECIALIZING IN. DEPOSITIONS, HEARINGS, STATE MENTS, EXPERT TESTIMONY, DAILY COPY, CONVENTIONS SS COUNTY OF BERNALILLO) I, ADA DEARNLEY, Court Reporter - Notary Public, do hereby certify that the foregoing and attached Transcript of 1120 SIMMS BLDG. • P.O. BOX 1092 • PHONE 243-6691 • ALBUQUERQUE, NEW MEXICO 1213 FIAST NATIONAL BANK EAST • PHONE 256-1294 • ALBUQUERQUE, NEW MEXICO Hearing before the New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission was reported by me, and that the same is a true and correct record dearnley-meier reporting service, of the said proceedings, to the best of my knowledge, skill and WITNESS my Hand and Seal this 13th day of October, ability. 1965. - Notary Public Reporter Court My Commission Expires: June 19, 1967. I do hereby cartify that the foregoing 18 a complete such the get the states in the Day for hearing 71 Lass 10.3304-3305 heard by 10 on 972 2 13.65 . Ixaminor sur. New Hoxico Oil Conservation Convission exection and т,

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BEFORE THE OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO

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IN THE MATTER OF THE HEARING CALLED BY THE OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION OF NEW MEXICO FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONSIDERING:

> CASE No. <u>3305</u> Order No. R-2972

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APPLICATION OF AMERADA PETROLEUM CORPORATION FOR A WATERFLOOD PROJECT, LFA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

BY THE COMMISSION:

This cause came on for hearing at 9 o'clock a.m. on September 22, 1965, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner Daniel S. Nutter

NOW, on this ______ day of <u>September</u>, 1965, the Commission, a quorum being present, having considered the testimony, the record, and the recommendations of the Examiner, and being fully advised in the premises,

FINDS:

wells.

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

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(3) That the wells in the project area are in an advanced

state of depletion and should properly be classified as "stripper"

(4) That the proposed waterflood project should result in the recovery of otherwise unrecoverable oil, thereby preventing waste.
(5) That the subject application should be approved and the project should be governed by the provisions of Rules 701, 702, and 703 of the Commission Rules and Regulations.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

(1) That the applicant, <u>Amerada Petroleum Corporation</u>

is hereby authorized to institute a waterflood project in the

Warren-McKeeUnit Area,Warren-McKeePool, by the injection of water into theMcKeeformation through the following-described wellsin Township20Nexth, Range38SouthEast

NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico:

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Section 7

Warren McKee Unit Well No. 201, Unit I Warren McKee Unit Well No. 202, Unit J Warren McKee Unit Well No. 203, Unit K

Section 8

Warren McKee Unit Well No. 102, Unit L

(2) That the subject waterflood project shall be governed by the provisions of Rules 701, 702, and 703 of the Commission Rules and Regulations.

(3) That monthly progress reports of the waterflood project herein authorized shall be submitted to the Commission in accordance with Rules 704 and 1120 of the Commission Rules and Regula-

tions.

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

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

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BEFORE THE OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO

APPLICATION OF AMERADA PETROLEUM CORPORATION) FOR AUTHORITY TO INSTITUTE A WATERFLOOD PROJ-) ECT IN THE WARREN-MCKEE POOL BY THE INJECTION) OF WATER THROUGH FOUR WELLS LOCATED IN SECTIONS) 7 AND 8, TOWNSHIP 20 SOUTH, RANGE 38 EAST, LEA) COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.)

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APPLICATION

Applicant Amerada Petroleum Corporation states that:

1. By a separate application, Applicant is seeking approval of the Warren-McKee Unit Agreement for the purpose of conducting secondary recovery operations in the Warren-McKee Pool underlying portions of Sections 7, 8, 17, 18, 19 and 20, Township 20 South, Range 38 East, Lea County, New Mexico.

2. Applicant, as operator of the Warren-McKee Unit seeks authority to institute a waterflood project pursuant to Rule 701 of the Commission Rules and Regulations by injecting salt water into the Warren-McKee Pool, found at an approximate depth of 9200 feet, through the following wells in Township 20 South, Range 38 East, Lea County, New Mexico:

- Cities Service No. 1 Byers, located in the NE/4 SE/4 Section 7;
- Cities Service No. 2 Byers, located in the NW/4 SE/4 Section 7;
- Cities Service No. 3 Byers, located in the NE/4 SW/4 Section 7;
- Dekalb et al. No. 2 Stovall, located in the NW/4 SW/4 Section 8.

3. Attached hereto and made a part hereof are a plat showing the location of the proposed injection wells, and a diagrammatic sketch of each such injection well.

4. Applicant proposes to inject approximately 3000 barrels of salt water per day into each injection well. The source of the water for injection is the San Andres formation.

5. The proposed waterflood project is in the interest of conservation and should result in recovery of otherwise unrecoverable oil, thereby preventing waste.

Applicant therefore requests that this matter be set for hearing before an Examiner, that notice of hearing be given as required by law, and that this Commission thereupon enter its order authorizing the waterflood project herein proposed.

Local Counsel: Jason W. Kellahin Kellahin & Fox P. O. Box 1769 Santa Fe, New Mexico 87501

AMERADA PETROLEUM CORPORATION mas. 10, By Thomas W. Lynch, Attorney August 30, 1965

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

I, Thomas W. Lynch, hereby certify that a copy of

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the foregoing application has been sent by first class mail to:

State Engineer Office Capitol Building Santa Fe, New Mexico

on this 30th day of August, 1965.

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hornas cl Thomas W. Lynch

OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

Date 9/23/65 9 an 1/22/65' CASE NO. 5305 HEARING DATE My recommendations for an order in the above numbered case(s) are as follows: Sula and asker spraving Ameradas proposed ween fload project ou it, warren makee think brea, warren makee Pool Lea Co Umeep. authorize he injection of ween with werren meker think well to 102, L 8-20-38 201, I 78-20-38 ····· 202 J75-20-38 . 203 K78-20-38

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LEGAL DEPARTMENT

August 30, 1965

Oil Conservation Commission P. O. Box 2088 Santa Fe, New Mexico 87501

Re: Applications for Hearing

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Case-3305

Gentlemen:

Enclosed are the original and two copies of each of Amerada's applications for (1) approval of the Warren-McKee Unit Agreement, and (2) authority to initiate a waterflood project in such unit.

Please set these matters for hearing before an Examiner on September 22, 1965. Thank you.

Very truly yours; rch.

THOMAS W. LYNCH

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BEFORE THE OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO

IN THE MATTER OF THE HEARING CALLED BY THE OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION OF NEW MEXICO FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONSIDERING:

> CASE No. 3305 Order No. R-2972

APPLICATION OF AMBRADA PETROLEUM CORPORATION FOR A WATERFLOOD PROJECT, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

BY THE COMMISSION:

This cause came on for hearing at 9 o'clock a.m. on September 22, 1965, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner Daniel S. Nutter.

NOW, on this 4th day of October, 1965, the Commission, a quorum being present, having considered the testimony, the record, and the recommendations of the Examiner, and being fully advised in the premises,

FINDS:

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

(2) That the applicant, Amerada Petroleum Corporation, seeks permission to institute a waterflood project in the Warren-MCKee Unit Area, Warren-McKee Pool, by the injection of water into the McKee formation through four injection wells in Sections 7 and 8, Township 20 South, Range 38 East, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico.

(3) That the wells in the project area are in an advanced state of depletion and should properly be classified as "stripper" wells.

(4) That the proposed waterflood project should result in the recovery of otherwise unrecoverable oil, thereby preventing waste.

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(5) That the subject application should be approved and the project should be governed by the provisions of Rules 701, 702, and 703 of the Commission Rules and Regulations.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

(1) That the applicant, Amerada Petroleum Corporation, is hereby authorized to institute a waterflood project in the Warron-McKee Unit Area, Warren-McKee Pool, by the injection of water into the McKee formation through the following-described wells in Township 20 South, Range 38 Bast, NMPM, Lea County, New Maxico:

Section 7

Warren McKee Unit Well No. 201, Unit I Warren McKee Unit Well No. 202, Unit J Warren McKee Unit Well No. 203, Unit K

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(3) That monthly progress reports of the waterflood project herein authorized shall be submitted to the Commission in accordance with Rules 704 and 1120 of the Commission Rules and Regulations.

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

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



STATE OF NEW MEXICO OT CONSERVATION COMMISSION JICK M. CAMPBELL, Chairman Conton B. Hays, Member GUYTON B. HAYS, Member

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

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P. O. BOX 2088 SANTA FE STATE GEOLOGIST A. L. PORTER, JR. SECRETARY - DIRECTOR

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October 4, 1965

Mr. Jason Kellahin Kellahin & Fox Attorneys at Law Post Office Box 1769 Santa Fe, New Mexico

(3305) Case No. R-2971 Order No. Applicant: Amerada

Dear Sir:

LAND COMMISSIONER GUYTON B. HAYS MEMBER

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

> > Very truly yours,

Re:

A. L. PORTER, Jr.

Secretary-Director

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Carbon copy of order also sent to:

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OTHER Mr. Tom W. Lynch

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

October 19, 1965

Mr. Jason Kellahin Kellahin & Fox Attorneys at Law Post Office Box 1769 Santa Fe, New Mexico

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to Commission Order No. R-2972, recently entered in Case No. 3305, approving the Amerada Warren McKee Waterflood project.

Injection is to be through the four authorized water injection wells which shall be equipped with internally coated tubing and packers, said packers being set as near as is practicable to the uppermost performation in the McKee formation.

As to allowable, our calculations indicate that when all of the authorized injection wells have been placed on active injection, the maximum allowable which this project will be eligible to receive under the provisions of Rule 701-E-3 is 1272 barrels per day.

Please report any error in this calculated maximum allowable immediately, both to the Santa Fe office of the commission and the appropriate district proration office.

In order that the allowable assigned to the project may be kept current, and in order that the operator may fully benefit from the allowable provisions of Rule 701, it behooves him to promptly notify both of the aforementioned commission offices by letter of any change

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in the status of wells in the project area, i.e., when active injection commences, when additional injection or producing wells are drilled, when additional wells are acquired through purchase or unitization, when wells have received a response to water injection, etc.

Your cooperation in keeping the commission so informed as to the status of the project and the wells therein will be appreciated.

Very truly yours,

A. L. PORTER, Jr. Secretary-Director

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cc: Mr. Frank Irby Mr. Tom Lynch Oil Conservation C

Oil Conservation Commission - Hobbs, New Mexico

GOVERNOR EDWIN L. MECHEM CHAIRMAN State of New Mexico e il Conservation Commission STATE GEOLOGIST LAND COMMISSIONER A. L. PORTER, JR. R. S. JOHNNY WALKER SECRETARY - DIRECTOR MEMBER P. O. BOX 2088 SANTA FE 87501 clien is to the Arrance h the. coate perfer practic Ra to the Mr. Jason Kellahin makee Forma the Kellahin & Fox Attorneys at Law Post Office Box 1769 Santa Fe, New Mexico Gentlement Reference is made to beeeu Encrosed herewith is Commission Order No. R-2972 3305, approving the American Warren entered Case No. Water Flood Project. indicate that As to accurate fulicate that According to our calculations, when all of the authorized injection wells have been placed on active injection, the maximum allowable which this project will be eligible to receive under the provisions of Rule 701-E-3 1s/272 barrels per day. Please report any error in this calculated maximum allowable immediately, both to the Santa Fe office of the Commission and the appropriate District proration office. In order that the allowable assigned to the project may be kept current, and in order that the operator may fully benefit from the allowable provisions of Rule 701, it behooves him to promptly notify both of the aforementioned Commission offices by letter of any change in the status of wells in the project area, 1.e., when active injection commences, when additional injection or producing wells are drilled, when additional wells are acquired through purchase or unitization, when wells have received a response to water injection, etc. Your cooperation in keeping the Commission so informed as to the status of the project and the wells therein will be appreciated. Very truly yours, OCC Hobbs cc: Mr. Frank Irby Mr. Tom Lynch A. L. PORTER, Jr. Secretary-Director

AMERADA PETROLEUM CORPORATION P. O. BOX 312 MIDLAND, TEXAS

PHONE MU 4-5533

April 15, 1966

State Engineer Office Santo Ve, New Mexico

Attention: Mr. Frank B. Irby

Dear Sir:

Your letter of April 12, 1966, advises that Amerada Petroleum Corporation should have secured a permit from the State Engineer for converting a wall located in Unit F, 2310' from the north line and 2331.1' from the west line of Section 7, T-20-8, R-38-E, Les County, New Mexico, to a water supply well in the San Andres formation.

This was an oversight on our part and proper action is being taken to comply with the rules and regulations of the State Ragineer.

As a matter of information Amerada completed conversion of this well from an abandoned oil well February 20, 1966. A pump was run in the well March 11, 1966. A total of 31,341 barrels of water has been produced in cleaning up the well, testing its productive capacity, and determining the characteristics of the pilot waterflood injection well. The well is now closed in. No water has been appropriated except for the testing indicated above and no water will be appropriated until approved by the State Engineer.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Yours very truly,

AMERADA PETROLEON CORPORATION

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April 12, 1966

Amerada Petroleum Corporation Box 312 Midland, Texas

Attn. Mr. J. R. Enloe

Gentlomen:

My attention has been directed to information indicating that you have converted your well No. 1 in the Warren McKee Pool located as follows:

Unit F 2310' from the north line and 2310' from the west line of Sec. 7, T. 20 S., R. 38 E.

to a water injection well. This well is in the Lea County Underground Water Basin declared by the State Engineer and comes under the administrative authority of the State Engineer's Office. Drilling a well in this declared basin, or converting an oil well to a water well within the limits of this basin requires application to and approval by the State Engineer.

If my information is correctivyou have illegally tapped the waters of the Lea County Basin. Unless proper steps are taken forthwith on this matter, it will be necessary for me to turn the matter over to the Attorney General's Office for his action.

FEI/ma CC-Jason Kellahin A. L. Porter, Jr. F. H. Hennighausen

Yours truly,

S. E. Reynolds State Engineer

By: Frank E. Irby Chief

Water Rights Div.



AMERADA PETROLEUM CORPORATION WARREN MCKEE UNIT LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO PRODUCTION DATA

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Aug.	31,396	· –		3228	Aug.	86,421	2,261	-		
Sept.	33,983	-		1. 	Sept.	81,783	2,185			
Oct.	42,708	-			Oct.	84,669	2,521			
Nov.	40,692	-		2974	Nov.	85,074	2,452		1658	
Dec.	47,216	186			Dec.	83,918	2,114			
Total	295,068	186	605		Total	1,023,552	26,048	800		
Cum.	295,068	186			Cum.	3,358,453	44,086		1. A.	
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Jan.	58,604	186		4 7 - 2	Jan.	ີ ເວັງ, 388°	2,543	1 8 3		· .
Feb.	59,933	168			Feb.	71,838	916			£
March	67,936	186			March	83,913	628		1	
April	74,921	180			April	76,924	1,321	e.		
May	78,971	186		2494	May	77,459	1,453		1 521	
June	84,421	246		2.00	June	76,902	2,087		A 761	
July	86,823	254		۰.	July	79,623	1,662		-	
Aug.	100,510	254			Aug.	80,988		, [¢]	÷	
Sept.	93,523	246					5 <u>9</u> 1			31
Oct.	97,890	254	ξ÷.		Sept.	79,160		~	÷ .	
Nov.	84,941	246	-	1961	Oct.	84,503	823	a an ar j	1206	· ·
Dec.	87,089	240		1901	Nov.	83,007	675	÷.	1386	
Total		2,660	590		Dec.	91,868	841			
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<u>1954</u>		•			<u>1957</u>	· · ·				
Jan.	91,216	350			Jan,	93,438	890		· · ·	· · · ·
Feb.	78,578	316	-	· · · ·	Feb.	85,645	822			
March	90,931	500			March	94,913	953	·		
April	89,110	523			April	86,005	880		•	
May	93,139	500		1933	May	86,557	1,180			
June	90,357	1,508			June	79,661	1,082	:	1177	
July	92,674	1,516	•		July	82,668	1,132	•		
Aug.	89,849	1,905			Aug.	76,093	1,127			
Sept.	84,184	1,962			Sept.	70,947	1,058			
Oct.	86,961	2,049			Oct.	72,343	1,512			
Nov.	86, 544	1,998	. (1832	Nov.	68,691	2,142		1070	
Dec.	90,728	2,065			Dec.	70,335	2,146			
Total	1,064,271	15,192	605		Total	967,296	14,924	1580		
Cum.	2,334,901	18,038			Cum.	5,313,322	72,873			
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		Barrels	Barrels	Average	Average	1	Barrels	Barrels	Average	Average
	Date	0i1	Water	GOR	BHP	Date	0i1	Water	GOR	BHP
	1958					1961	. C.			
	Jan.	69,725	5,878			Jan.	34,963	6,281		
	Feb.	60,534	4,864			Feb.	30,211	5,532		
	March	65,327	3,138			March	34, 394	4,982	£	
	April	58,602	3,227			April	34, 327	5,375		~ 685
	May	62,416	1,825			May	33,671	4,151		000
	June	60,271	5,070		964	June	30,462	6,098		
	July	59,660	3,653			July	30,387	4,543	1	- 1
	Aug.	52,235	2,974			Aug.	27,422	4,176		
	Sept.	50, 349	4,926			Sept.	28,384	6,719		
	Oct.	52,039	4,453		· · · ·	Oct.	29,361	5,130		
	Nov.	49,927	4,365		864	Nov.	28,717	5,078		
	Dec.	50,337	4,288			Dec.	29, 592	5,395	•	
	Total	691,422	48,661	2010	Name of Concession, or other	Total	371,891	63,460	2450	Constrainty
	Cum.	6,004,744	121,534			Cum.	7,312,376			•
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			7 500			<u>1962</u>	00 000	6 560	1 A	×*
	Jan.'	48,645	2,588			Jan.	28,882	6,569		
	Feb.	40,799	1,524			Feb.	26,443	4,232		
	March	45,870	1,335			March	29,595	5,902	a.	100
	April	46,697	863	~		April	30,416			499
	May	44,524	865	1997 - 1997 - 1997 - 1997 - 1997 - 1997 - 1997 - 1997 - 1997 - 1997 - 1997 - 1997 - 1997 - 1997 - 1997 - 1997 -	700	May	32,540		·	
, st	June	42,560	501		788	June	29,144	6,577	÷.	
	July	39,374	1,551	1	t.	July	28,640	6,939	-	
	U.	38,630	1,430			Aug.	27,019	6,375		
	Sept.	34,829	3,617	· •	· ·	Sept.	26,001	5,769		4
	Oct.	34,203	2,786			Oct.	26,544	6,040		
	Nov.	31,776	2,523	Ţ.	.5	Nov.	25,305	5,963	-	
121	Dec.	35.140	4,022	2640		Dec.	24,560	5,331		
	Total	483,047	23,605	2640	÷	Total	335,089	72,620	2020	
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	1960			and the second		<u>1963</u>	. •			
	Jan.	34,708	2,287			Jan.	25,136	6,173		
	Feb.	31,417	1,805			Feb.	22,265	5,810		tana ara-
	March	33,618	2,057			March	22,910	5,413		
	ipril -	33,919	2,658			April	21,529	5,224		•
	May	41,958	2,898	. ¢		May	20,728	4,767		
	June	37,735	2,273		752	June	17,346	3,628		
	July	40,617	3,071			July	18,440	3,998		
	Aug.	41,047	2,879			Aug.	18,819	3,657		• · · · ·
	Sept.	40,180	5,180			Sept.	18,118	5,467	1	
	Oct.	42,297	5,639			Oct.	18,779	4,639		
	Nov.	39,292	5,347	· · · · · · ·		Nov.	18,925	4,551		
	Dec.	35,906	5,804			Dec.	19,830	4,500	-	£ 5
	Total	452,694	41,898	2450		Total	242,825	57,827	2340	
	Cum.	6,940,485	187,037			Cum.	7,890,290	380,944		-1 e -

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Date	Barrels 0i1	Barrels <u>Water</u>	Average GOR	Average BHP
1964 Jan. Feb. March April May June July Aug. Sept. Oct. Nov.	18,635 17,673 15,407 16,412 14,786 17,384 17,159	4,295 3,871 3,879 3,687 3,432 2,844 2,789 2,410 2,811 2,721		
Dec. Total Cum; 1965	$ \begin{array}{r} 16,676 \\ \underline{17,380} \\ 208,860 \\ 8,099,150 \\ 4 \end{array} $	2,862 <u>3,319</u> 38,920 19,864	2660	
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DATA SHEET WARREN MCKEE UNIT LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

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GEOLOGICAL DATA

Producing Formation	- -		e e	• • • • • • • • •
Average Depth		6		McKee Sandstone
Type Structure			and the second	9050 Ft
Initial Water Oil Contact	the state of the s	-		Anticline
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RESERVOIR PROPERTIES

Initial Reservoir Pressure at -5500 Ft Average Porosity	3486 psi
Average Permeability	16:4%
Water Saturation	99.8 md
	42%
Reservoir Temperature	123° F
Reservoir Volume Factor at Initial Conditions	1.335
Solution GOR at Initial Conditions	670 CF/B
Saturation Pressure	2156 psi
Reservoir Volume Factor at Saturation Pressure	1.359
Reservoir Oil Viscosity at Saturation Pressure	0.589 CP
Gravity of Stock Tank Oil at 60° F	45° API
Current Reservoir Pressure	Less Than 400 psi

AMERADA PETROLEUM CORP.

EXHIBIT.4 Case NO. 3305 DATE 9-22-65



DATA SHEET WARREN MCKEE UNIT LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

<u>GENERAL</u> Discovery Date - Field First Well Within Unit Area - (Amerada Fred Turner No. 1) Number of Wells Drilled Within the Unit Area	December, 1948 January, 1952 28 5
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4	P. H. Stanford "D"	8,490	57,900	5,513.46	584,573	:
5	Trickey-Dreessen Unit	4,279	55,500	2,931.05	446,956	:
6	Dreessen	2,309	18,600	2,811.56	395,770	
7	Mary J. Raley	12,678	126,400	6,251.07	1,051,410	
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13	Fred Turner, Jr. "B"	6,589	89,700	8,619.25	277,235	
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	TOTALS	115,625	1,253,100	80,520.68	9,232,928	
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WARREN MCKEE UNIT LEA CO., NEW MEXICO

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WARREN MCKEE UNIT LEA CO., NEW MEXICO

DIAGRAMATIC SKETCH OF INJECTION WELL NO. 102







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Tract <u>No.</u>	Lease	Current Production*	Remaining Primary	Adjusted Acre-Feet	Ultimate Primary
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2	Byers.		-	4,396.59	477,540
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