

Case NO.

6577

Application

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Re: CASE NO. 6577
ORDER NO. R-6053

Applicant:

Oil Processing

Dear Sir:

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

Yours very truly,

JOE D. RAMEY
Director

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IN THE MATTER OF THE HEARING
CALLED BY THE OIL CONSERVATION
DIVISION FOR THE PURPOSE OF
CONSIDERING:

CASE NO. 6577
Order No. R-6053

APPLICATION OF OIL PROCESSING FOR
AN OIL TREATING PLANT PERMIT, LEA
COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

ORDER OF THE DIVISION

BY THE DIVISION:

This cause came on for hearing at 9 a.m. on June 27, 1979,
at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner Daniel S. Nutter.

NOW, on this 10th day of July, 1979, the Division
Director, 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 Division has jurisdiction of this cause and the
subject matter thereof.

(2) That the applicant, Oil Processing, seeks authority
to construct and operate a chemical and heat-treatment type
oil treating plant in the NE/4 SE/4 of Section 8, Township 20
South, Range 37 East, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico, for the
reclamation of up to approximately 200 barrels of sediment oil
per day to be obtained from tank bottoms, disposal water, and
waste pits.

(3) That dikes, dams and/or emergency pits should be
constructed around the plant capable of holding the entire
capacity of all tanks and vessels at the plant location in
order that sediment oil, reclaimed oil, or waste oil cannot
escape from the immediate vicinity of such plant.

(4) That the two water holding and settling pits proposed
by applicant should be constructed in accordance with the
Division's "Specifications For The Design and Construction of
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concerning minimum surface area.

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(5) That the proposed plant and method of processing will efficiently process, treat, and reclaim the aforementioned waste oil, thereby salvaging oil which would otherwise be wasted.

(6) That the subject application should be approved as being in the best interests of conservation.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

(1) That the applicant, Oil Processing, is hereby authorized to install and operate a chemical and heat-treatment type oil treating plant in the NE/4 SE/4 of Section 8, Township 20 South, Range 37 East, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico, for the purpose of treating and reclaiming sediment oil to be obtained from tank bottoms and waste pits;

PROVIDED HOWEVER, that the continuation of the authorization granted by this order shall be conditioned upon compliance with the laws of the State of New Mexico and the rules and regulations of the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division;

PROVIDED FURTHER, that prior to commencing operation of said plant, the applicant shall file with the Division a performance bond in the amount of \$10,000.00 conditioned upon substantial compliance with applicable statutes of the State of New Mexico and all rules, regulations and orders of the Oil Conservation Division.

(2) That the operator of the above-described oil treating plant shall clear and maintain in a condition clear of all debris and vegetation a fireline at least 15 feet in width and encircling the site upon which the plant is located.

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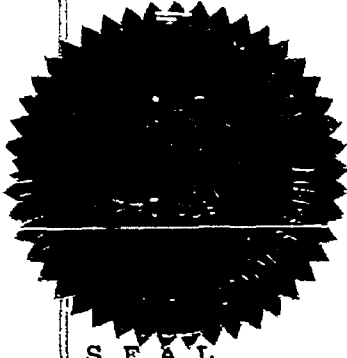
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(5) That the disposal of waste water accumulated in conjunction with the operation of the above-described plant on the surface of the ground, or in any pit, pond, lake, depression, draw, streambed, or arroyo, or in any watercourse, or in any other place or in any manner which will constitute a hazard to any fresh water supplies is hereby prohibited.

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

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



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Director

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(Witness sworn.)

E. STUART HILLIKER
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DIRECT EXAMINATION

BY MR. CARR:

Q. Will you state your name and place of
residence?

A. E. Stuart S-T-U-A-R-T Hilliker H-I-L-L-I-
K-E-R. I reside at Iuka, Kansas, which is in the Wichita
area.

Q. Mr. Hilliker, by whom are you employed
and in what capacity?

A. Oil Processing of Monument, New Mexico,
as an advisor and consultant.

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3 A. This is a drawing of our proposed plant.
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6 and test of the material.

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23 it reaches the second pit, and both of these will be lined
24 by six mil plastic lining.

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1 pits?

2 A. Yes, sir.

3 Q. And what do you plan to do with the waste
4 water that you accumulate in the clear water pit?

5 A. The material does not naturally evaporate
6 will be transported to a pollution control company in one
7 direction, at which point we'll be picking up their waste
8 oil on the return, so it will be a loaded trip each way.

9 Q. What is the capacity of the plant?

10 A. We contemplate approximately 200 barrels
11 per day.

12 Q. Mr. Hilliker, will you refer to what has
13 been marked as Exhibit Number Two and explain to the Examiner
14 what this is?

15 A. This is the type of heater that we will
16 be using and it is on page three on the left lower corner,
17 will be the type and size that we will utilize.

18 Q. And Oil Processing is prepared to post
19 the required \$10,000 performance bond before commencing
20 operations?

21 A. Yes, sir.

22 Q. And is Oil Processing also prepared to
23 keep all records and make all reports both to the Commis-
24 sion and to operators, as required by Commission rules?

25 A. Absolutely.

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1 Q Mr. Hilliker, how soon do you plan to
2 commence your operation?

3 A Immediately upon approval of this Commis-
4 sion.

5 Q Were Exhibits -- well, have you reviewed
6 Exhibit Number One and can you testify as to its accuracy?

7 A Yes, sir, it is correct.

8 Q And Exhibit Number Two is a sales brochure.

9 A Right.

10 MR. CARR: At this time, Mr. Examiner, we
11 would offer into evidence Applicant's Exhibits One and
12 Two.

13 MR. NUTTER: Applicant's Exhibits One and
14 Two will be admitted in evidence.

15 MR. CARR: And I have nothing further on
16 direct.

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18 CROSS EXAMINATION

19 BY MR. NUTTER:

20 Q Mr. Hilliker, when this material is first
21 received where will it be placed, in the 300 barrel re-
22 ceiving tank?

23 A Yes, sir.

24 Q And then there's a pump that will trans-
25 fer it from there over to the heater.

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1 A. Over to the treating tanks, yes, sir, the
2 1000 barrel treating tank.

3 Q. Oh, to the treating tank.

4 A. Yes, sir.

5 Q. Well, now, when does it go through the
6 heater?

7 A. From -- it will be pumped from the bottom
8 cone of this 1000 barrel tank through our heater, back into
9 the top of the heater, which will bring the material up to
10 temperature so that it will breakdown and also wash the oil
11 at the same time.

12 By pumping off the bottom we'll be pri-
13 marily pumping water which will be heated and dropped down
14 through it and drop the material out.

15 Q. And then where will it come back to?

16 A. The --

17 Q. You said, okay, the heater separates the
18 oil and the water.

19 A. It will all be just gradually heated by
20 the heater and then when it comes up to temperature of
21 approximately 140 degrees, it will probably set for one,
22 maybe two days to properly settle down, at which point we'll
23 have several test spigots and we can determine where the
24 oil level is that's salable, and that will be pumped then
25 over into our 500 barrel tank for sale.

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1 Q So this oil that's in the two 1000 barrel
2 tanks is oil that's been through the heater-treater.
3 A Right.
4 Q And is settled.
5 A Right.
6 Q Now, when it's first received, though, off
7 the trucks, it goes into the 300 barrel tank?
8 A That's correct.
9 Q And then into the heater --
10 A That's --
11 Q -- then back to the two 1000 barrel tanks
12 for settling.
13 A Yes.
14 Q And then the clean oil is siphoned off
15 into the 500 barrel tank and the water comes down here to
16 disperse this.
17 A That's right, sir.
18 Q Okay. Now, from the first pit the siphon
19 takes clear water only over into the second pit. Now you
20 mentioned the word "clean" water. That doesn't necessarily
21 mean this is potable water, does it?
22 A No, sir, it doesn't.
23 Q So we've probably got brines sitting in
24 this pit.
25 A That's correct.

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1 Q And the amount of water that doesn't eva-
2 porate will be trucked off for disposal into a disposal
3 well somewhere.

4 A It's our plan to truck it to a pollution
5 control company, which is about thirty miles from our
6 location.

7 Q And do they have a disposal well?

8 A Yes. Well, they have disposal ponds and
9 it's quite a large facility, which is now accepting a tre-
10 mendous amount of material from the area.

11 Q Oh, is that the one that's over there in
12 the --

13 A Over west of Hobbs.

14 Q What sort of pond do they use?

15 A Gee, it's -- it's a big installation and
16 all the truckers there, they take their waste material out
17 there,

18 Q That's one of the disposal lakes --

19 A Right.

20 Q -- that the Commission has authorized.

21 A That's right, sir.

22 Q I see.

23 A And they separate this material that's
24 coming in now as much as they can, and this is -- they've
25 got a problem with their good oil. In other words, they're

1 anxious for us to get going to handle this profit that they
2 have.

3 Q Well, will most of this material that
4 you're processing be oil that's floating on the surface out
5 there at the disposal company's pond?

6 A No, they put this oil, if the truck comes
7 in and it's got some oil in it, they put it into some tanks
8 out there and settle the water out of the tanks. It goes
9 out to the ponds, and then they -- this is the oil that
10 they want to sell to us, and so it's our thought that by
11 trucking our waste material out there to them, that we can
12 have a return trip with oil that we can work with.

13 Q But the location of this over near Monu-
14 ment would indicate that probably you're going to be pro-
15 cessing residues from in that vicinity mostly.

16 A Oh, yes, yes, sir. Yes, sir. There are
17 several water disposal facilities around there that are
18 very anxious for us to get into operation.

19 Q Are you acquainted with the Commission's
20 specification for the construction of water pits, lined
21 water pits?

22 A Not with this Commission, sir. What I've
23 outlined here is what we used in Wyoming, which met their
24 requirements, and I've never been advised of what was your
25 requirements as to pits, but we will comply with whatever

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1 is required.

2 Q There are certain aspects in the construc-
3 tion of those pits that you'll have to comply with.

4 Now, one thing that you won't have to
5 comply with will be the amount of area that's required for
6 evaporation.

7 A. Okay.

8 Q Because you plan not to evaporate the
9 water here but merely to hold it and clean it up and then
10 truck it off.

11 A. That's right, sir.

12 Q But the construction of the liner and the
13 leak detection system I think you will have to --

14 A. All right, sir.

15 Q -- comply with. So we'd better -- you'd
16 better pick up a copy of those specifications, Mr. Carr.

17 MR. CARR: Will do.

18 MR. NUTTER: Are there any further ques-
19 tions of Mr. Hilliker?

20 MR. PADILLA: Yes, I have one.

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CROSS EXAMINATION

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BY MR. PADILLA:

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25 Q Mr. Hilliker, tell us if you have obtained
any -- or whether you've been required to obtain any other

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1 permits from any other State agencies in regards to your
2 project?

3 A. No.

4 MR. PADILLA: That's all, Mr. Nutter.

5 MR. NUTTER: If there's no further ques-
6 tions, the witness may be excused.

7 Do you have anything further, Mr. Carr?

8 MR. CARR: Only, Mr. Examiner, we would
9 request that the order be expedited to whatever extent
10 possible.

11 MR. NUTTER: We will expedite it to the
12 extent possible.

13 If there is nothing further, we'll take
14 Case Number 6577 under advisement.

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16 (Hearing concluded.)

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REPORTER'S CERTIFICATE

I, SALLY W. BOYD, a court reporter, DO HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing and attached Transcript of Hearing before the Oil Conservation Division was reported by me; that the said transcript is a full, true, and correct record of the hearing, prepared by me to the best of my ability, knowledge, and skill, from my notes taken at the time of the hearing.

Sally W. Boyd C.S.R.
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I do hereby certify that the foregoing is a correct and true transcript of the proceedings in the hearing and trial of Case No. 6577 heard by me on 6/27 1979.

[Signature] Examiner
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15 A. This is the type of heater that we will
16 be using and it is on page three on the left lower corner,
17 will be the type and size that we will utilize.

18 Q. And Oil Processing is prepared to post
19 the required \$10,000 performance bond before commencing
20 operations?

21 A. Yes, sir.

22 Q. And is Oil Processing also prepared to
23 keep all records and make all reports both to the Commis-
24 sion and to operators, as required by Commission rules?

25 A. Absolutely.

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1 Q Mr. Hilliker, how soon do you plan to
2 commence your operation?
3 A Immediately upon approval of this Commis-
4 sion.
5 Q Were Exhibits -- well, have you reviewed
6 Exhibit Number One and can you testify as to its accuracy?
7 A Yes, sir, it is correct.
8 Q And Exhibit Number Two is a sales brochure.
9 A Right.
10 MR. CARR: At this time, Mr. Examiner, we
11 would offer into evidence Applicant's Exhibits One and
12 Two.
13 MR. NUTTER: Applicant's Exhibits One and
14 Two will be admitted in evidence.
15 MR. CARR: And I have nothing further on
16 direct.
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18 CROSS EXAMINATION
19 BY MR. NUTTER:
20 Q Mr. Hilliker, when this material is first
21 received where will it be placed, in the 300 barrel re-
22 ceiving tank?
23 A Yes, sir.
24 Q And then there's a pump that will trans-
25 fer it from there over to the heater.

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1 A Over to the treating tanks, yes, sir, the
2 1000 barrel treating tank.

3 Q Oh, to the treating tank.

4 A Yes, sir.

5 Q Well, now, when does it go through the
6 heater?

7 A From -- it will be pumped from the bottom
8 cone of this 1000 barrel tank through our heater, back into
9 the top of the heater, which will bring the material up to
10 temperature so that it will breakdown and also wash the oil
11 at the same time.

12 By pumping off the bottom we'll be pri-
13 marily pumping water which will be heated and dropped down
14 through it and drop the material out.

15 Q And then where will it come back to?

16 A The --

17 Q You said, okay, the heater separates the
18 oil and the water.

19 A It will all be just gradually heated by
20 the heater and then when it comes up to temperature of
21 approximately 140 degrees, it will probably set for one,
22 maybe two days to properly settle down, at which point we'll
23 have several test spigots and we can determine where the
24 oil level is that's salable, and that will be pumped then
25 over into our 500 barrel tank for sale.

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1 Q So this oil that's in the two 1000 barrel
2 tanks is oil that's been through the heater-treater.
3 A Right.
4 Q And is settled.
5 A Right.
6 Q Now, when it's first received, though, off
7 the trucks, it goes into the 300 barrel tank?
8 A That's correct.
9 Q And then into the heater --
10 A That's --
11 Q -- then back to the two 1000 barrel tanks
12 for settling.
13 A Yes.
14 Q And then the clean oil is siphoned off
15 into the 500 barrel tank and the water comes down here to
16 disperse this.
17 A That's right, sir.
18 Q Okay. Now, from the first pit the siphon
19 takes clear water only over into the second pit. Now you
20 mentioned the word "clean" water. That doesn't necessarily
21 mean this is potable water, does it?
22 A No, sir, it doesn't.
23 Q So we've probably got brines sitting in
24 this pit.
25 A That's correct.

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1 Q And the amount of water that doesn't eva-
2 porate will be trucked off for disposal into a disposal
3 well somewhere.
4 A It's our plan to truck it to a pollution
5 control company, which is about thirty miles from our
6 location.
7 Q And do they have a disposal well?
8 A Yes. Well, they have disposal ponds and
9 it's quite a large facility, which is now accepting a tre-
10 mendous amount of material from the area.
11 Q Oh, is that the one that's over there in
12 the --
13 A Over west of Hobbs.
14 Q What sort of pond do they use?
15 A Gee, it's -- it's a big installation and
16 all the truckers there, they take their waste material out
17 there.
18 Q That's one of the disposal lakes --
19 A Right.
20 Q -- that the Commission has authorized.
21 A That's right, sir.
22 Q I see.
23 A And they separate this material that's
24 coming in now as much as they can, and this is -- they've
25 got a problem with their good oil. In other words, they're

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1 anxious for us to get going to handle this profit that they
2 have.

3 Q Well, will most of this material that
4 you're processing be oil that's floating on the surface out
5 there at the disposal company's pond?

6 A No, they put this oil, if the truck comes
7 in and it's got some oil in it, they put it into some tanks
8 out there and settle the water out of the tanks. It goes
9 out to the ponds, and then they -- this is the oil that
10 they want to sell to us, and so it's our thought that by
11 trucking our waste material out there to them, that we can
12 have a return trip with oil that we can work with.

13 Q But the location of this over near Monu-
14 ment would indicate that probably you're going to be pro-
15 cessing residues from in that vicinity mostly.

16 A Oh, yes, yes, sir. Yes, sir. There are
17 several water disposal facilities around there that are
18 very anxious for us to get into operation.

19 Q Are you acquainted with the Commission's
20 specification for the construction of water pits, lined
21 water pits?

22 A Not with this Commission, sir. What I've
23 outlined here is what we used in Wyoming, which met their
24 requirements, and I've never been advised of what was your
25 requirements as to pits, but we will comply with whatever

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1 is required.

2 Q There are certain aspects in the construc-
3 tion of those pits that you'll have to comply with.

4 Now, one thing that you won't have to
5 comply with will be the amount of area that's required for
6 evaporation.

7 A Okay.

8 Q Because you plan not to evaporate the
9 water here but merely to hold it and clean it up and then
10 truck it off.

11 A That's right, sir.

12 Q But the construction of the liner and the
13 leak detection system I think you will have to --

14 A All right, sir.

15 Q -- comply with. So we'd better -- you'd
16 better pick up a copy of those specifications, Mr. Carr.

17 MR. CARR: Will do.

18 MR. NUTTER: Are there any further ques-
19 tions of Mr. Hilliker?

20 MR. PADILLA: Yes, I have one.

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CROSS EXAMINATION

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BY MR. PADILLA:

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Q Mr. Hilliker, tell us if you have obtained
25 any -- or whether you've been required to obtain any other

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1 permits from any other State agencies in regards to your
2 project?

3 A. No.

4 MR. PADILLA: That's all, Mr. Nutter.

5 MR. NUTTER: If there's no further ques-
6 tions, the witness may be excused.

7 Do you have anything further, Mr. Carr?

8 MR. CARR: Only, Mr. Examiner, we would
9 request that the order be expedited to whatever extent
10 possible.

11 MR. NUTTER: We will expedite it to the
12 extent possible.

13 If there is nothing further, we'll take
14 Case Number 6577 under advisement.

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16 (Hearing concluded.)

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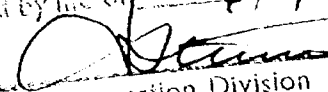
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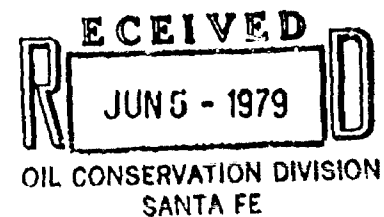
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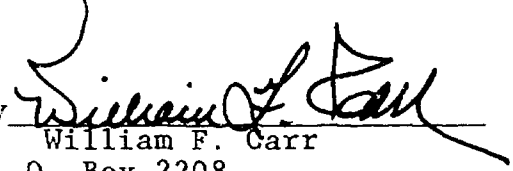
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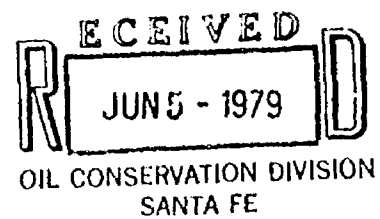
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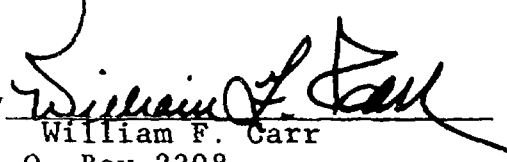
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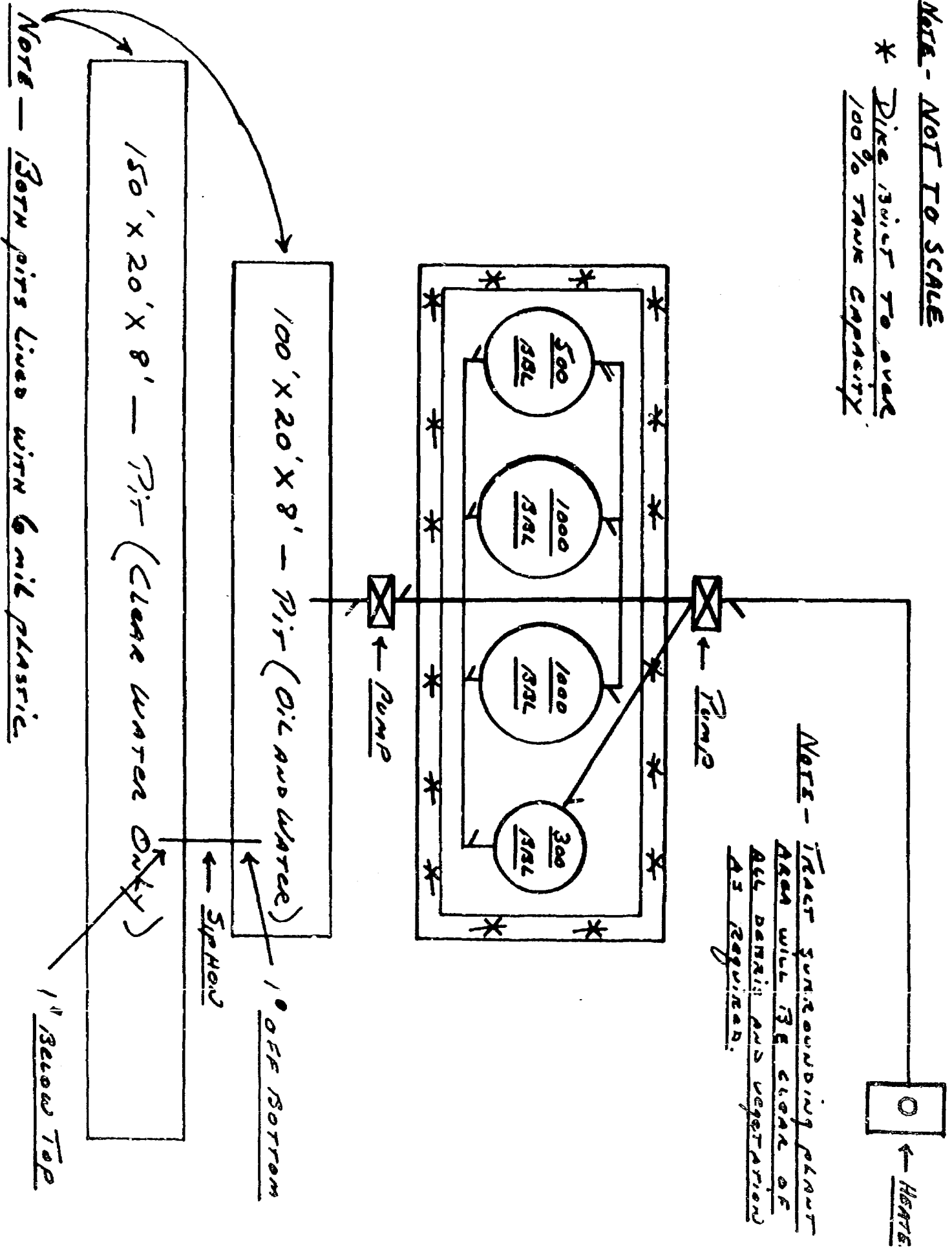
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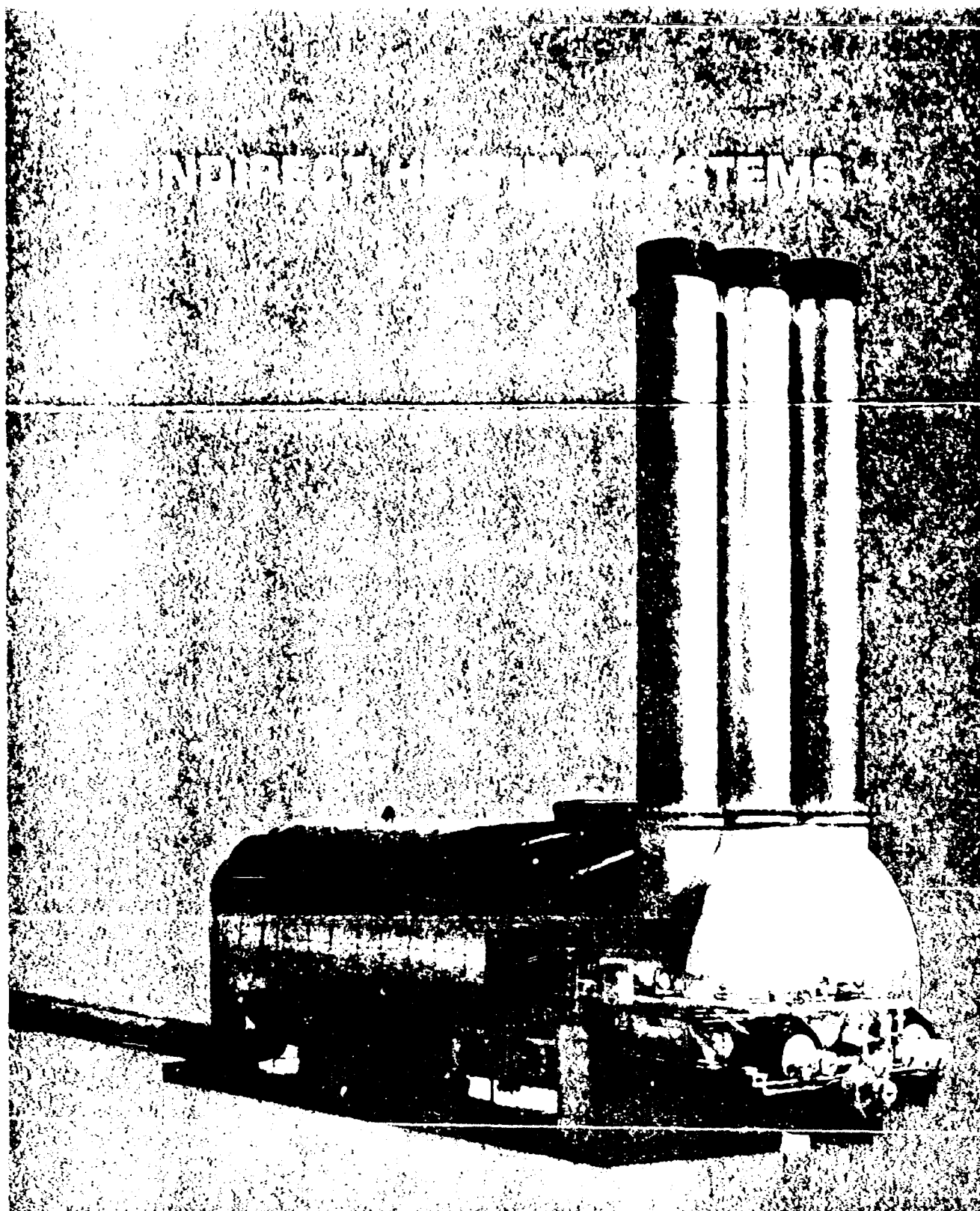

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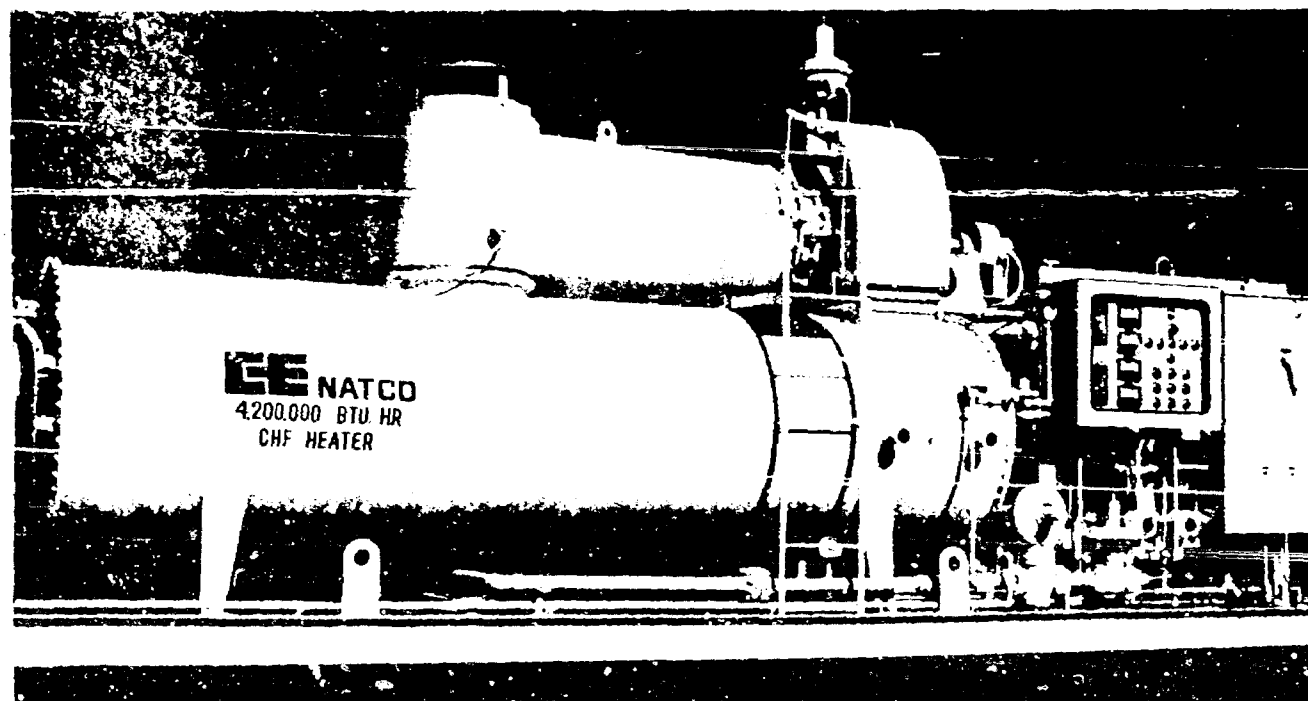
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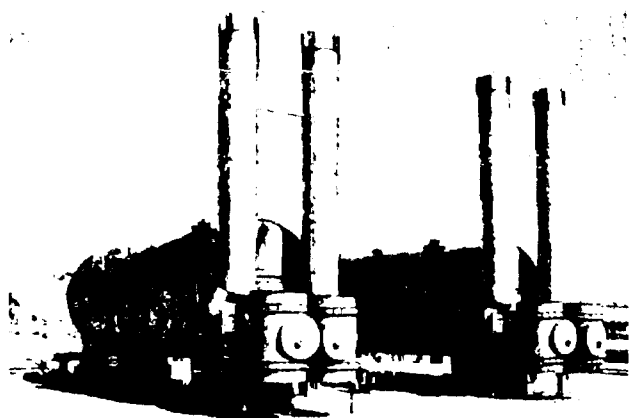
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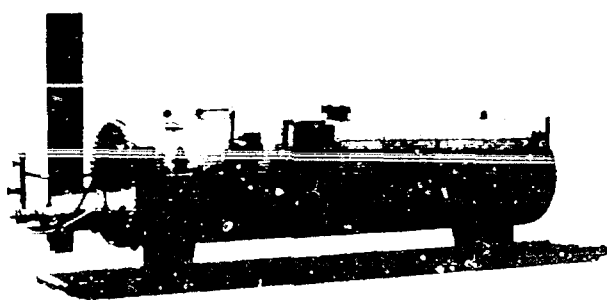
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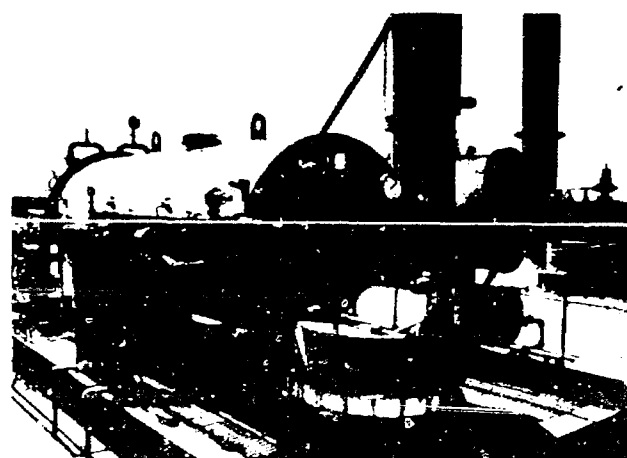
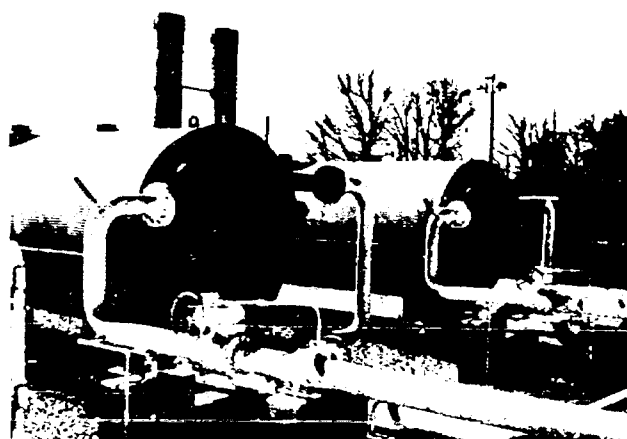
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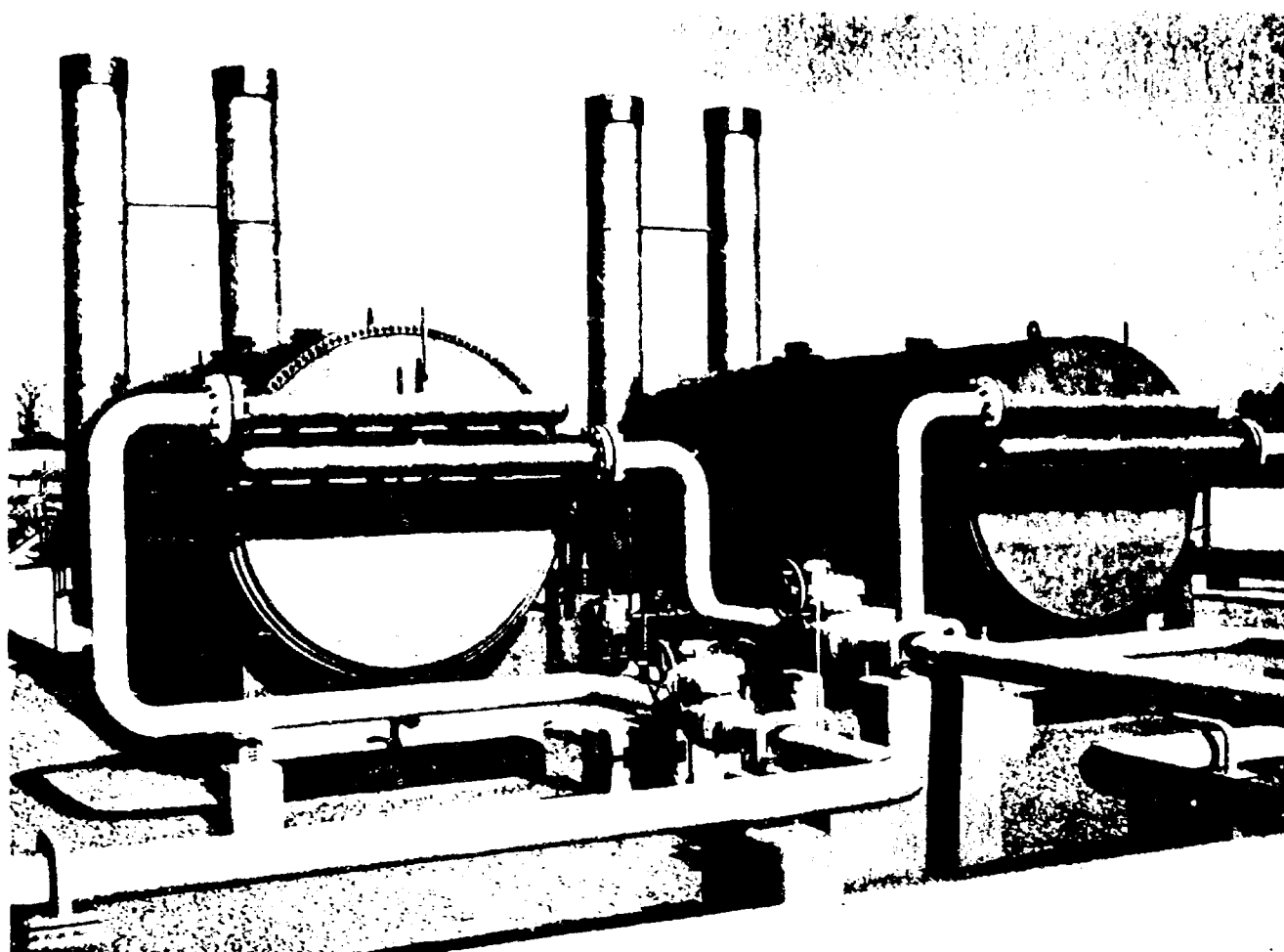
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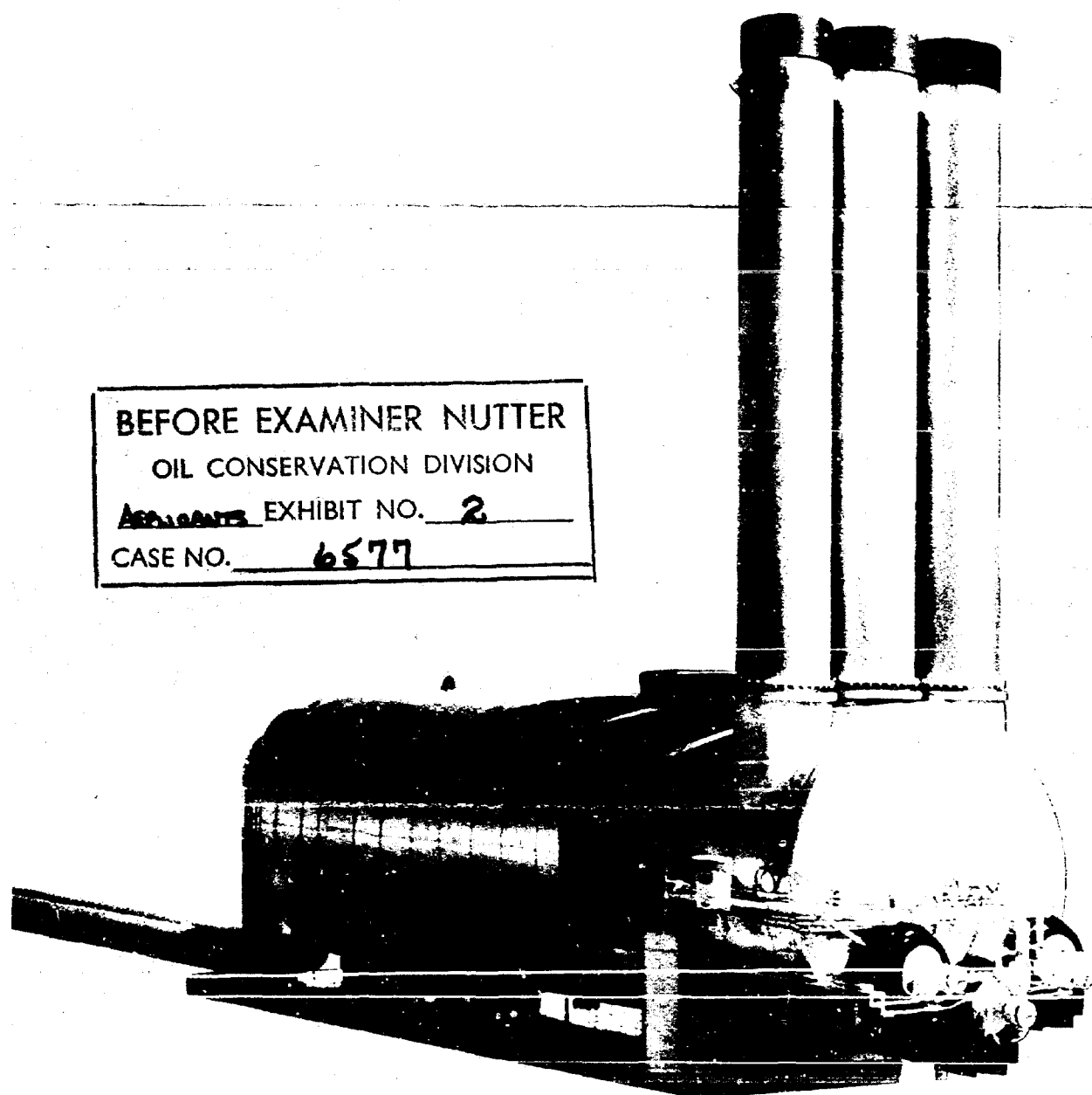
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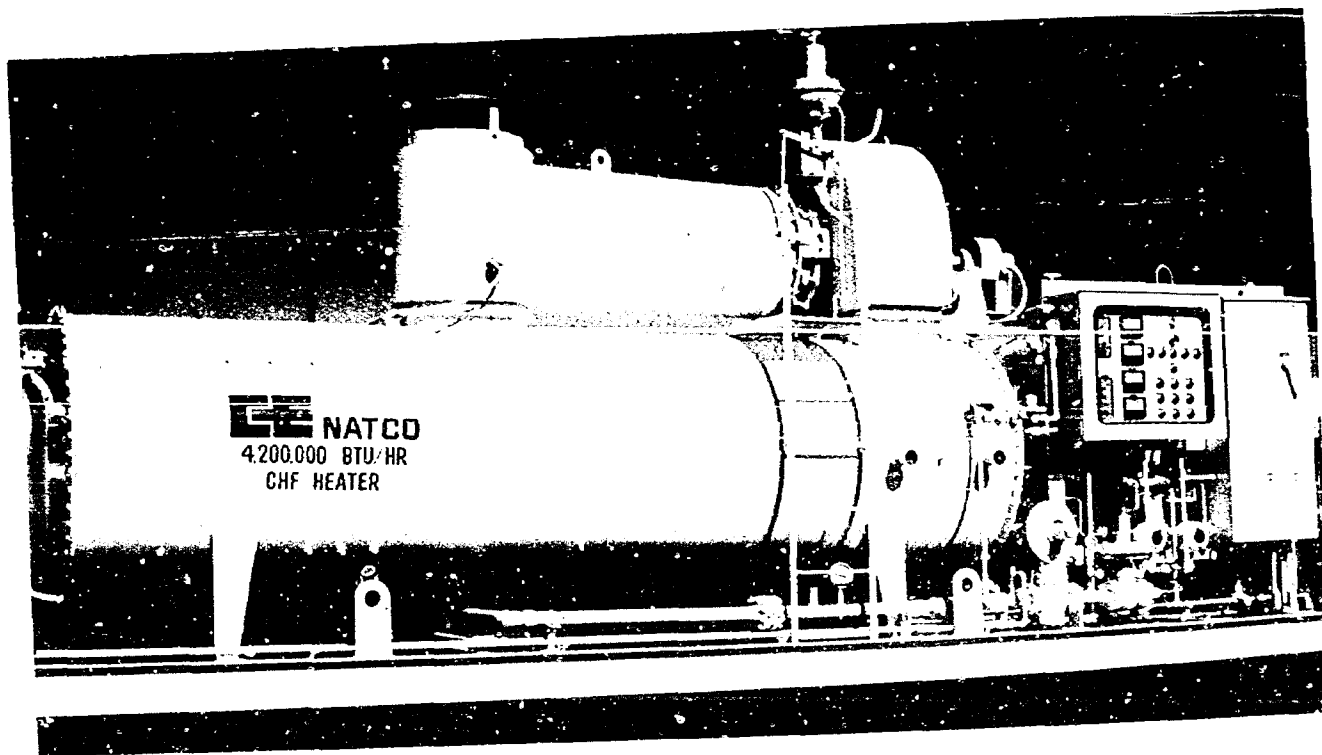
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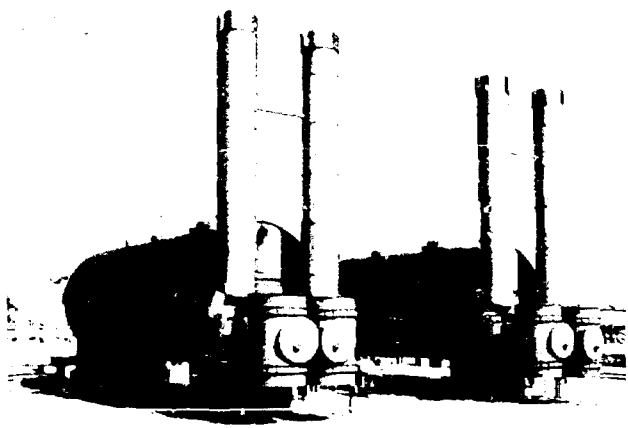
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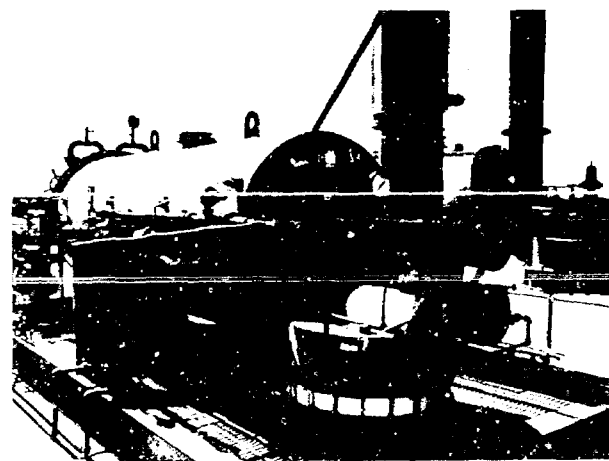
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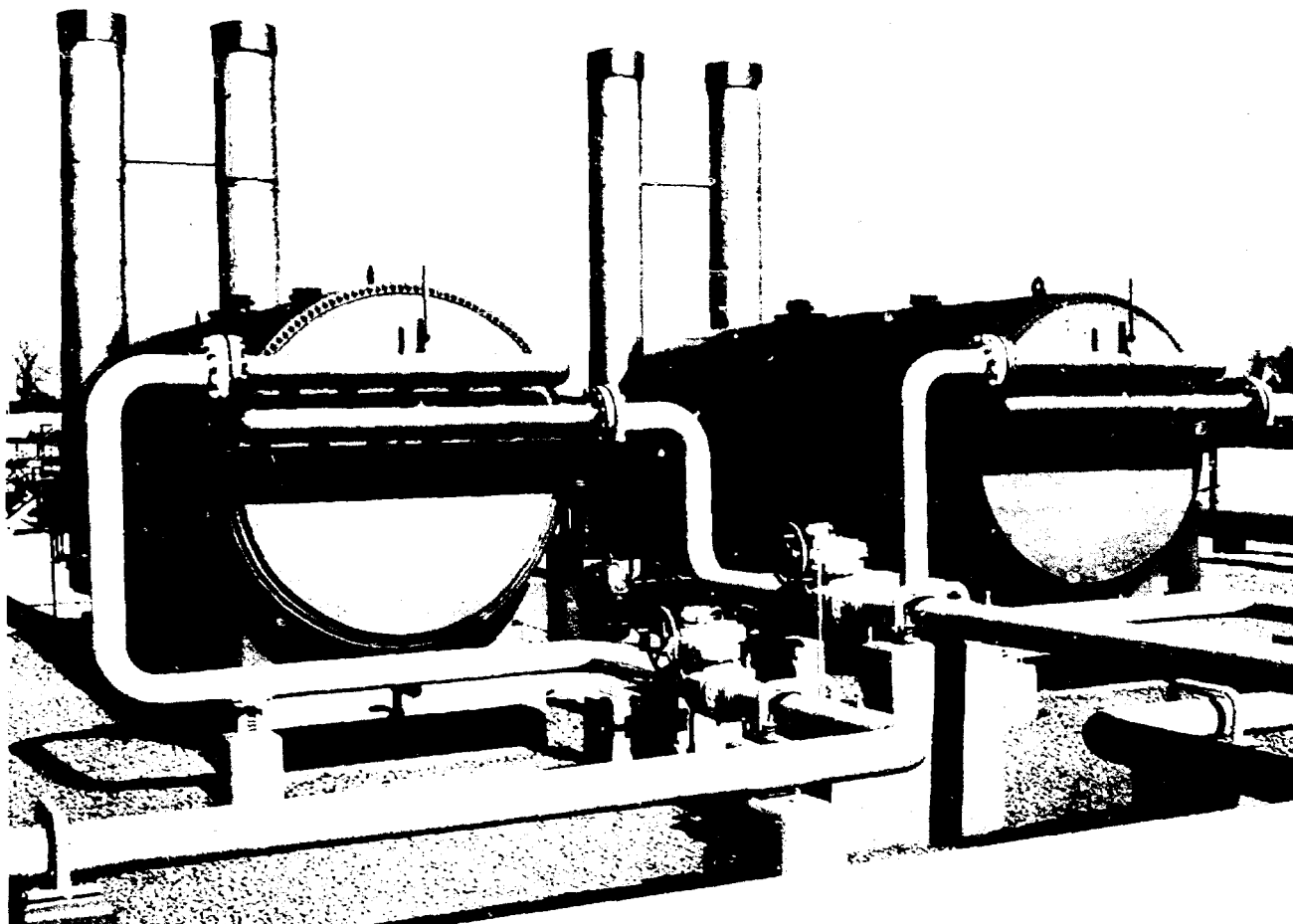
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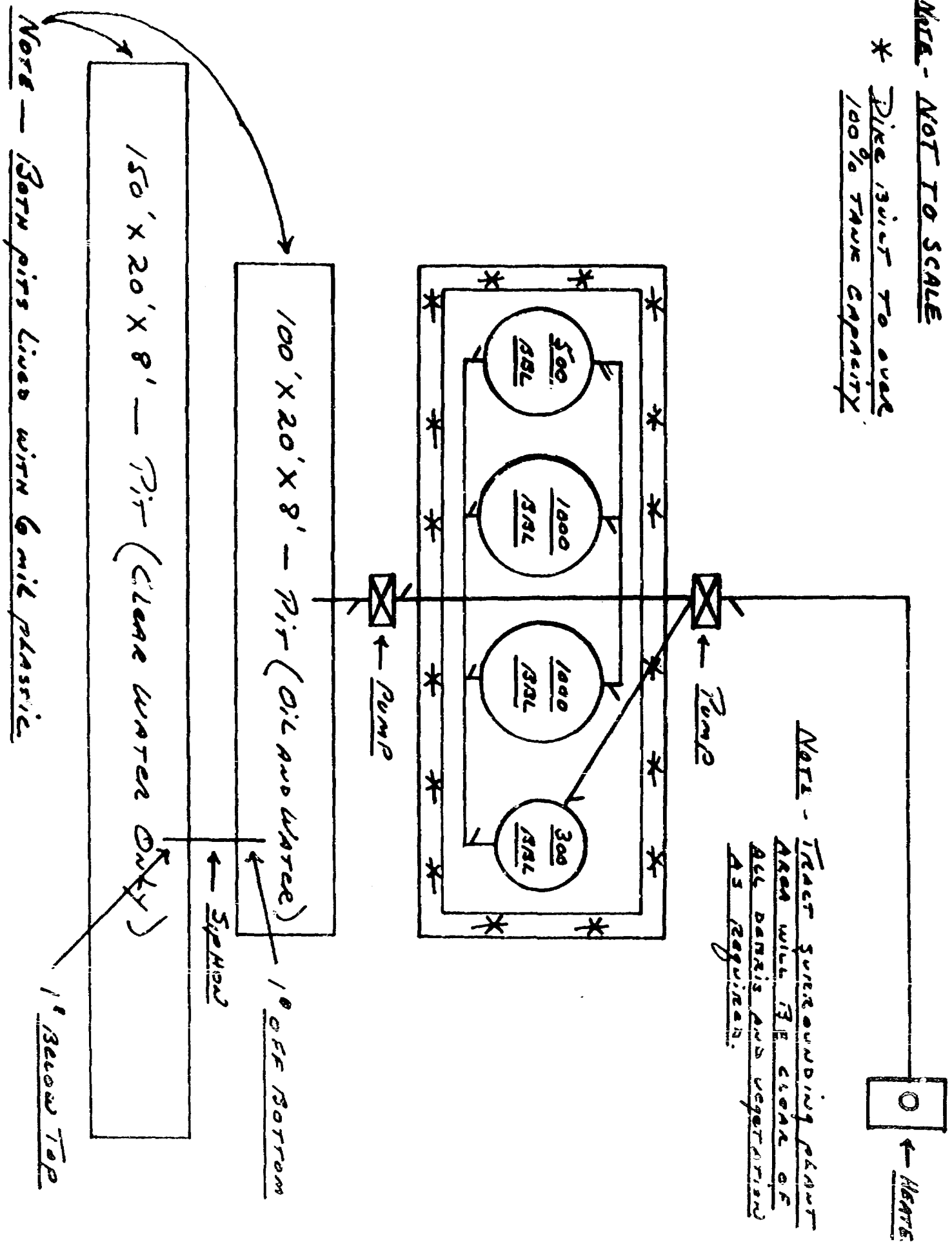
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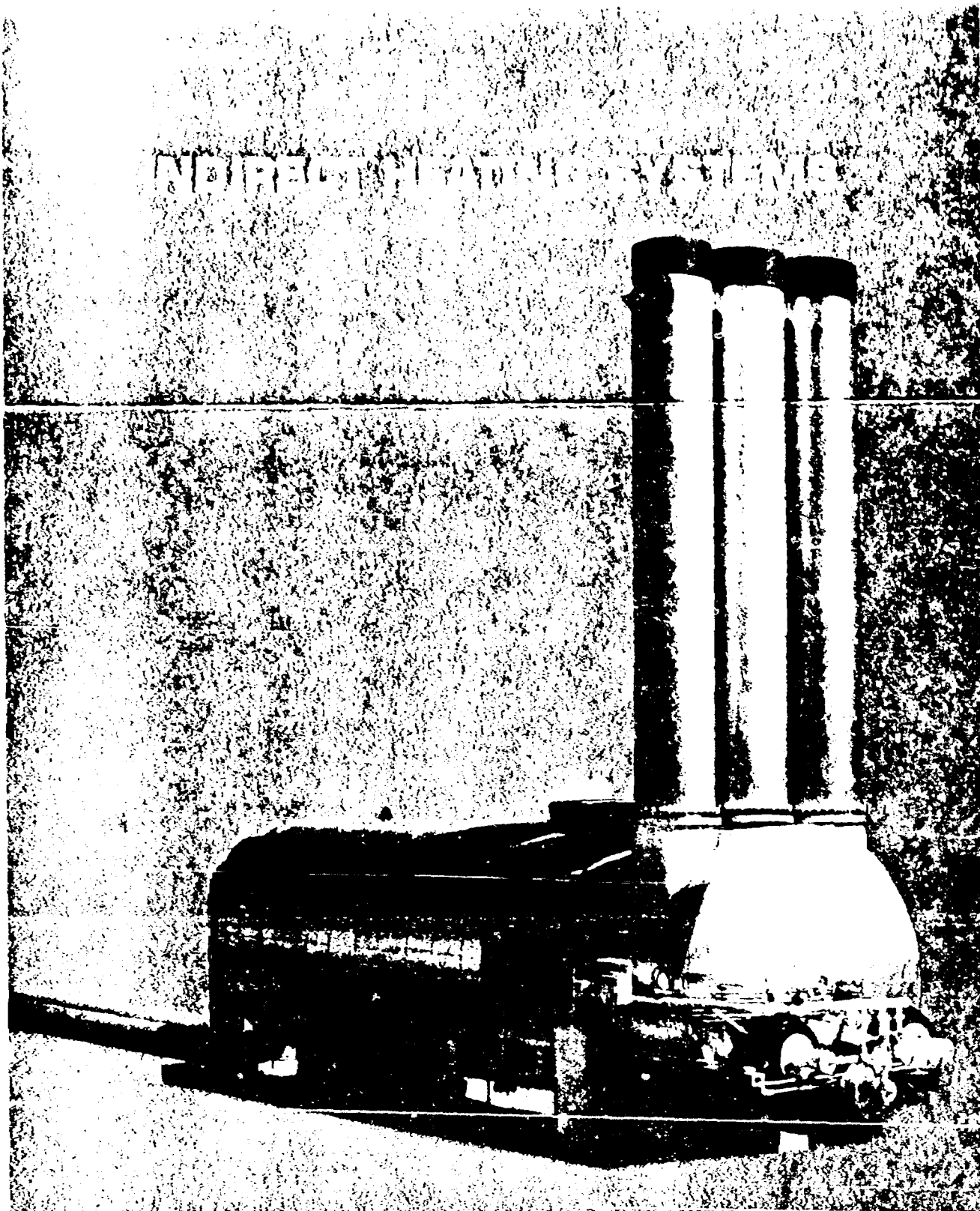
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**Meets All Applicable Construction Codes • Proven Dependability
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C-E Natco Offers Better Methods Of Heating Fluids Without Direct Flame Contact

C-E Natco Indirect Heating Systems are designed to efficiently heat a wide variety of fluids without direct flame contact. Heat from a firetube is transferred through an intermediate fluid medium to the process material flowing through a coil bundle. Practically any substance capable of transferring heat is useable as the heat transfer medium— including water, steam, eutectic salt and flue gases.

Coil wall temperatures are lowered so scaling, coking and possible coil plugging are reduced. Since heat is distributed evenly by the medium, hot spots are eliminated.

Typical applications for C-E Natco Indirect Heating Systems include heating of air; high pressure gas and oil; gas in gathering lines and at city gas takeoffs from main pipelines; high viscosity oils; low pour-point crudes; and hydrocarbon and LNG vaporization.

Four Basic Designs To Meet Your Needs

C-E Natco offers a wide range of computer-designed Indirect Heating Systems with furnace output ratings from 50,000 to 50,000,000 BTU/hour. These systems are divided into four general classifications.

Water Bath.

In these models, both the "U" type firetubes and coils carrying fluids or gasses to be heated are immersed in water. Coils receive heat from the firetube through the water bath. The units are easily adaptable to a wide variety of applications. Coils have been designed to operate up to 13,000 psig. Coil outlet temperatures typically range up to 180 degrees F.

Steam Bath.

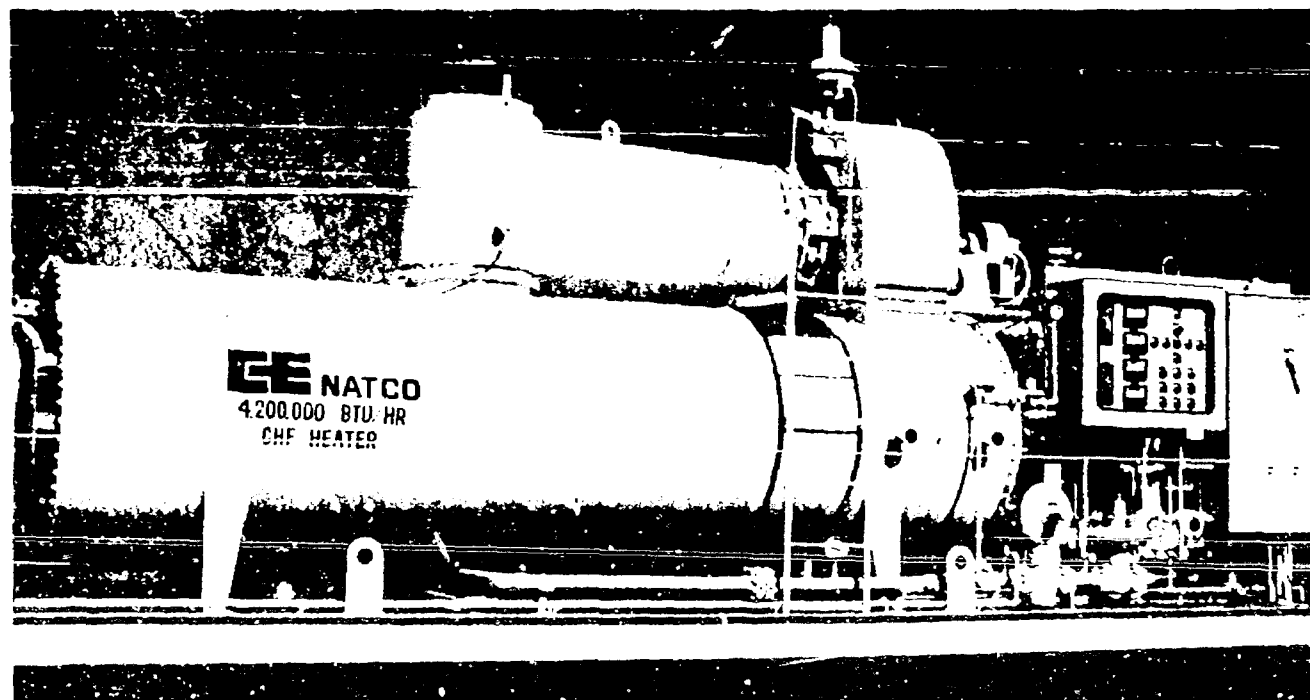
With these configurations, firetubes are immersed in water, but the coils are located above the water level in a steam section. These systems can operate safely up to 15 psig steam pressure. Applications are basically the same as water bath models, except coil outlet temperatures can be 215 degrees F. or slightly higher.

Salt Bath.

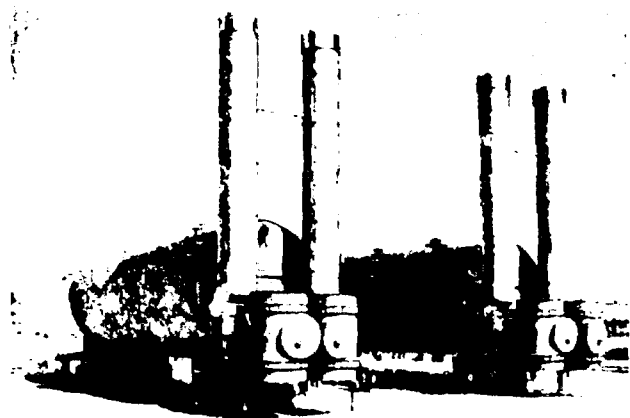
These C-E Natco systems employ molten eutectic salt as the heat transfer medium. They are designed to operate with outlet temperatures from 300 to 700 degrees F. Coils can be multitubular. These systems are ideally suited to applications where high process temperatures are required.

Controlled Heat Flux.

C-E Natco's CHF heaters have a unique place in process fluid heating. The heat generation and heat transfer sections are separate. There is no radiant section. Heat is transferred by convection. The units are designed to heat both liquids and gases to any temperature up to 1,000 degrees F. Shop-assembled sizes up to 50,000,000 BTU/hour are available.



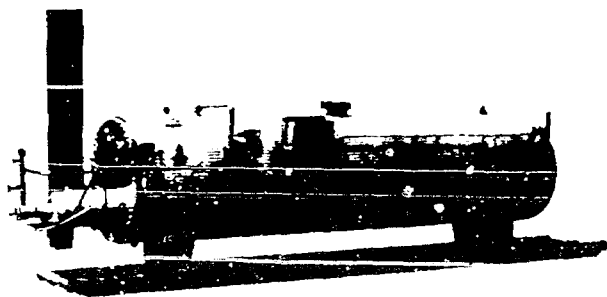
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Options Provide Maximum Utility

C-E Natco engineers use modern data processing equipment to design Indirect Heating Systems for specific applications. Available options include:

- Heat capacity from 50,000 to 50,000,000 BTU/hour.
- Coil working pressures to 13,000 psig.
- Coil design with carbon steel, stainless steel or other special materials.
- Corrosion allowances as required.
- Custom coil design for minimum pressure drop.
- Oil, gas or combination-fired models.
- Forced draft or natural draft burners.
- Dual temperature controls.
- CMA pilot guard safety shut-down.
- Pilot or flame detectors.
- Automatic pilot relight system.
- FM or FIA approved control systems.
- Alarm systems.
- Gas manifolds with fuel regulators.
- Fuel gas scrubbers.
- Firetube and stack flame arrestors.
- Aluminum jacketed insulation.
- Special paints or coatings.
- Skid mounted and piped.



Consider These Advantages:

UNIQUE DESIGN provides maximum efficiency, economy and operating simplicity.

PROVEN DEPENDABILITY in thousands of varied industrial applications.

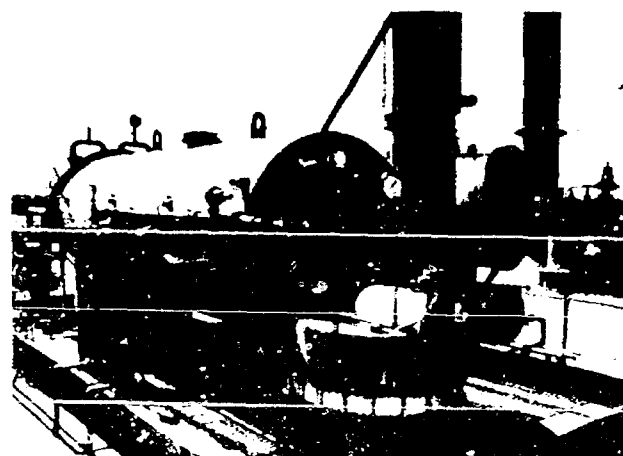
SAFETY with the surrounding bath. Safety-drilled return bends and flame arrestors available for all models.

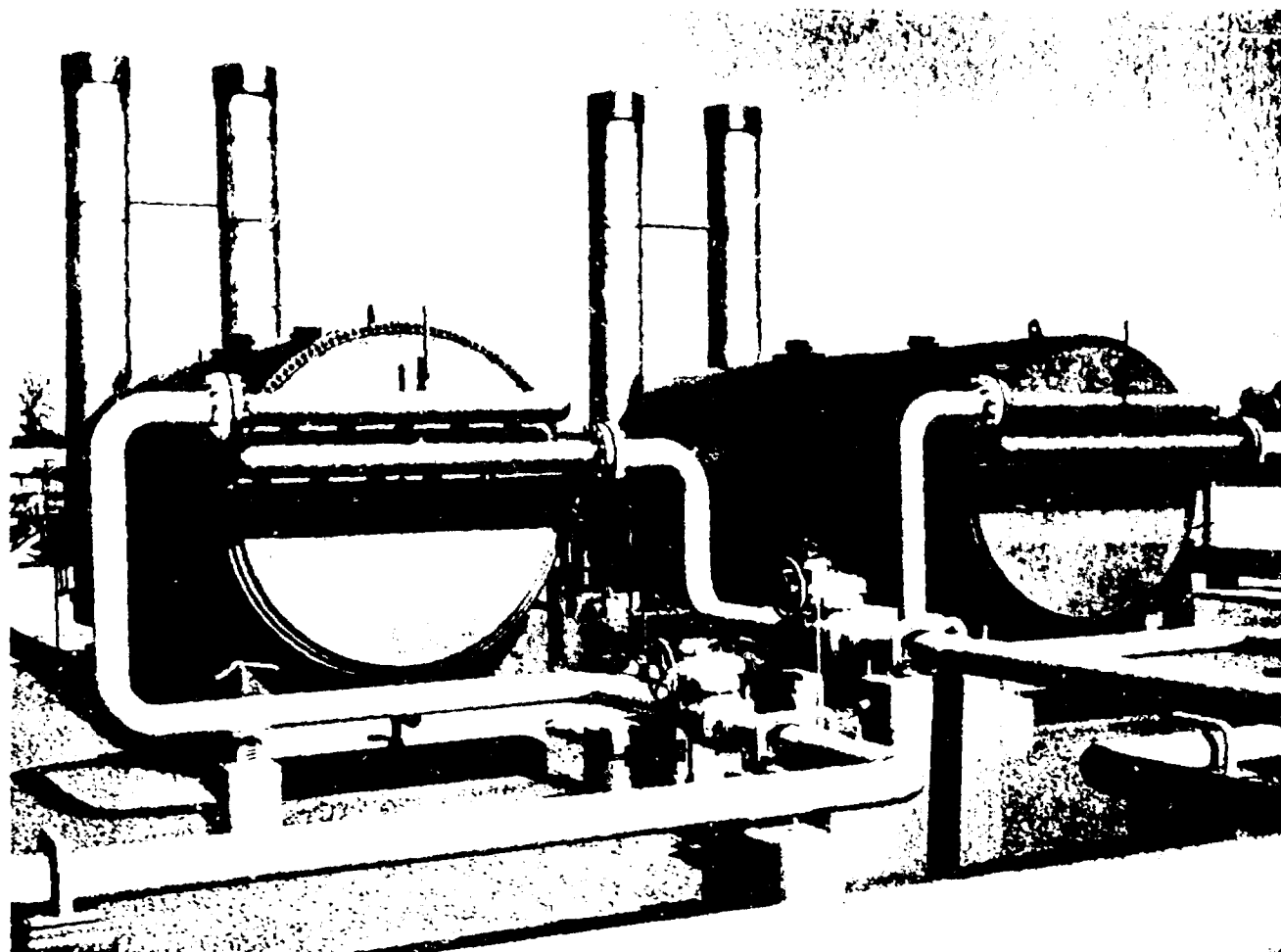
CONSTANT HEATING, even with varying flow rates, since the bath medium is a heat reservoir that will furnish additional heat required with sudden increases in flow.

MAINTENANCE is simplified since firetubes and coil bundles are removable for inspection and replacement.

ECONOMY from pilot and burner assemblies that are computer selected for maximum thermal efficiency.

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Dockets Nos. 25-79 and 26-79 are tentatively set for hearing on July 11 and 25, 1979. Applications for hearing must be filed at least 22 days in advance of hearing date.

DOCKET: EXAMINER HEARING - WEDNESDAY - JUNE 27, 1979

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

The following cases will be heard before Richard L. Stamets, Examiner, or Daniel S. Nutter, Alternate Examiner:

CASE 6545: (Continued from May 23, 1979, Examiner Hearing)

In the matter of the hearing called by the Oil Conservation Division on its own motion to permit Corinne Grace, Travelers Indemnity Company, and all other interested parties to appear and show cause why the Kuklah Baby Well No. 1 located in Unit G of Section 24, Township 22 South, Range 26 East, Eddy County, New Mexico, should not be plugged and abandoned in accordance with a Division-approved plugging program.

CASE 6549: (Continued from May 23, 1979, Examiner Hearing)

Application of Gulf Oil Corporation for pool creation, discovery allowable, and special pool rules, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order creating a new Bone Springs oil pool for its Lea "YH" State Well No. 1 located in Unit O of Section 25, Township 18 South, Range 34 East. Applicant also seeks a discovery allowable and promulgation of special pool rules, including a provision for 80-acre spacing.

CASE 6563: (Continued from June 13, 1979, Examiner Hearing)

Application of Roy L. McKay for a unit agreement, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for his North Woolworth Ranch Unit Area, comprising 1,280 acres, more or less, of State lands in Township 23 South, Range 35 East.

CASE 6548: (Continued from May 23, 1979, Examiner Hearing)

Application of John F. Staver for salt water disposal, San Juan County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks authority to dispose of produced salt water into the Dakota formation through the open hole interval from 1408 feet to 1412 feet in his Table Mesa Well No. 22 located in Unit N and from 1394 feet to 1400 feet in his Table Mesa Well No. 23 located in Unit O, both in Section 34, Township 28 North, Range 17 West, Table Mesa-Dakota Oil Pool.

CASE 6576: Application of Bass Enterprises Production Company for a unit agreement, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for the Townsend Unit Area, comprising 320 acres, more or less, of State lands in Township 15 South, Range 34 East.

CASE 6577: Application of Oil Processing for an oil treating plant permit, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks authority for the construction and operation of an oil treating plant for the purpose of treating and reclaiming sediment oil at a site in the NE/4 SE/4 of Section 8, Township 20 South, Range 37 East.

CASE 6578: Application of Mesa Petroleum Company for compulsory pooling, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests in the Pennsylvanian formation underlying the E/2 of Section 28, Township 17 South, Range 27 East, to be dedicated to a well to be drilled in Unit G of said Section 28. Also to be considered will be the cost of drilling and completing said well and the allocation of the cost thereof as well as actual operating costs and charges for supervision. Also to be considered will be the designation of applicant as operator of the well and a charge for risk involved in drilling said well.

CASE 6579: Application of R. N. Hillin for an unorthodox well location and approval of infill drilling, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks a waiver of existing well spacing requirements and a finding that the drilling of a Morrow gas well at an unorthodox location 800 feet from the South line and 2000 feet from the East line of Section 34, Township 19 South, Range 28 East, is necessary to effectively and efficiently drain that portion of the E/2 of said Section 34 which cannot be so drained by the existing well.

CASE 6580: Application of Continental Oil Company for a carbon dioxide injection project, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks authority to initiate a pilot carbon dioxide injection project in the Grayburg-San Andres formation in Units H and I of Section 20, Township 17 South, Range 32 East, Maljamar Pool, for tertiary recovery purposes.

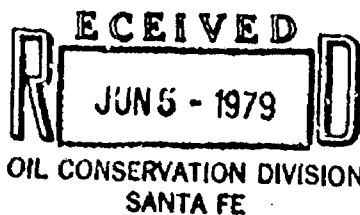
CASE 6581: Application of Belco Petroleum Corporation for an unorthodox oil well location, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for the unorthodox location of its Warren-American State Well No. 2 660 feet from the South and West lines of Section 32, Township 9 South, Range 33 East, Flying "W"-San Andres Pool, the W/2 SW/4 of said Section 32 to be dedicated to the well.

CASE 6582: Application of Belco Petroleum Corporation for a non-standard proration unit and unorthodox oil well location, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for a 40-acre non-standard proration unit comprising the NE/4 SW/4 of Section 31, Township 9 South, Range 33 East, Flying "M"-San Andres Pool, to be dedicated to its Federal 31 Well No. 2 to be drilled at an unorthodox location 1980 feet from the South and West lines of said section.

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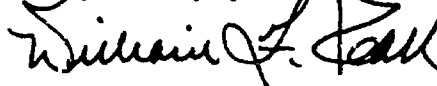
Joe D. Ramey, Director
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New Mexico Department of
Energy and Minerals
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Santa Fe, New Mexico 87501

RE: Application of Oil Processing, a General Partnership,
for a Treating Plant Permit, Lea County, New Mexico.

Dear Mr. Ramey:

Enclosed for filing is the application of Oil Processing in the above referenced matter. We would appreciate this case being included on the examiner hearing docket scheduled for June 27, 1979.

Very truly yours,

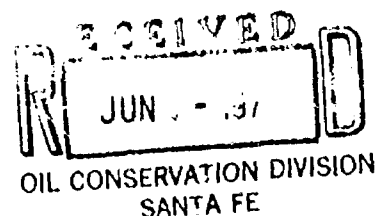
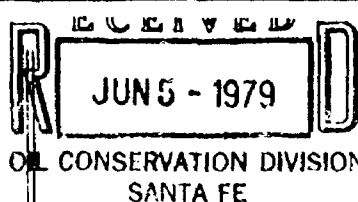


William F. Carr

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Enclosure

cc: Oil Processing



BEFORE THE
OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION
DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY AND MINERALS
STATE OF NEW MEXICO

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION
OF OIL PROCESSING, A General
Partnership, FOR A
TREATING PLANT PERMIT,
LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

CASE 6577

APPLICATION

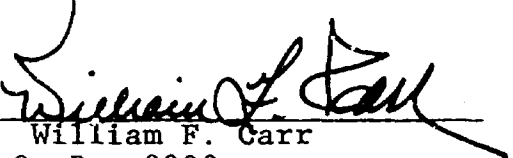
Comes now, OIL PROCESSING, a General Partnership, by their undersigned attorneys, and hereby makes application for a treating plant permit and in support of this application would show the Commission:

1. That its principal place of business is located in Lea County, New Mexico.
2. That this application is made pursuant to the provisions of Rule 312 of the rules and regulations of the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division.
3. That the proposed location of the treating plant is in the Northeast Quarter (NE/4) of the Southeast Quarter (SE/4) of Section 8, Township 20 South, Range 37 East, N.M.P.M., Lea County, New Mexico.
4. That the type and capacity of the plant is as follows:
 - a. One 1000 barrel storage tank.
 - b. Two new C.E. Natco welded tank heater treaters (cone bottom tanks) with a capacity of 1000 barrels each and a 24-hour day capacity of up to 200 barrels.

- c. Two 500 barrel clean oil tanks.
- d. Incoming product to be treated with chemicals if necessary and then transferred through a the heater treater and then into storage for transmission to purchaser.
- e. The capacity of the plant is dependent upon the amount of incoming product.

OIL PROCESSING requests that this application be set for hearing before a duly appointed Examiner of the Oil Conservation Division on June 27, 1979, that notice be given as required by law and the rules of the Division, and that this application for a treating plant permit be approved.

Respectfully submitted,
CAMPBELL AND BLACK, P.A.

By 
William F. Carr
P. O. Box 2208
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87501
Attorneys for Applicant

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STATE OF NEW MEXICO
ENERGY AND MINERALS DEPARTMENT
OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

IN THE MATTER OF THE HEARING
CALLED BY THE OIL CONSERVATION
DIVISION FOR THE PURPOSE OF
CONSIDERING:

CASE NO. 6577

Order No. R-6053

APPLICATION OF OIL PROCESSING FOR AN
OIL TREATING PLANT PERMIT, LEA
COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

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ORDER OF THE DIVISION

BY THE DIVISION:

This cause came on for hearing at 9 a.m. on June 27,
19 79, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner Daniel S. Nutter.

NOW, on this _____ day of July, 19 79, the
Division Director, 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 Division has jurisdiction of this cause and the
subject matter thereof.

(2) That the applicant, Oil Processing, seeks authority
to construct and operate a chemical and heat-treatment type oil

(4) That the two water holding and settling pits proposed by applicant should be constructed in accordance with the Division's specifications in the Design and Construction of Closed Evaporation Pits with the exception of Section 2(A) concerning minimum surface area.

treating plant in the NE/4 SE/4 of Section 8, Township 20 South, Range 37 East, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico, for the reclamation of up to approximately 200 barrels of sediment oil per day to be obtained from tank bottoms, disposal water, and waste pits.

(3) That dikes, dams and/or emergency pits should be constructed around the plant capable of holding the entire capacity of all tanks and vessels at the plant location in order that sediment oil, reclaimed oil, or waste oil cannot escape from the immediate vicinity of such plant.

(5) That the proposed plant and method of processing will efficiently process, treat, and reclaim the aforementioned waste oil, thereby salvaging oil which would otherwise be wasted.

(6) That the subject application should be approved as being in the best interests of conservation.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

(1) That the applicant, Oil Processing, is hereby authorized to install and operate a chemical and heat-treatment type oil treating plant in the NE/4 SE/4 of Section 8, Township 20 South, Range 37 East, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico, for the purpose of treating and reclaiming sediment oil to be obtained from tank bottoms and waste pits;

PROVIDED HOWEVER, that the continuation of the authorization granted by this order shall be conditioned upon compliance with the laws of the State of New Mexico and the rules and regulations of the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division;

PROVIDED FURTHER, that prior to commencing operation of said plant, the applicant shall file with the Division a performance bond in the amount of \$10,000.00 conditioned upon substantial compliance with applicable statutes of the State of New Mexico and all rules, regulations and orders of the Oil Conservation Division.

Memo

From

To

J. J. Carr
Oil Conservation Commission

8009

Oil creating Plant Permit
by Carr

creating and receiving
sediment oil

Permit 8009 - J. J. Carr
H. H. Carr

Called in by W. F. Carr
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OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION-SANTA FE

(2) That the operator of the above-described oil treating plant shall clear and maintain in a condition clear of all debris and vegetation a fireline at least 15 feet in width and encircling the site upon which the plant is located.

(3) That dikes, dams and/or emergency pits shall be constructed around the plant capable of holding the entire capacity of all tanks and vessels at the plant location and capable of preventing the escape of any sediment oil, reclaimed oil, or waste oil from the immediate vicinity of said plant.

(5) That the disposal of waste water accumulated in conjunction with the operation of the above-described plant on the surface of the ground, or in any pit, pond, lake, depression, draw, streambed, or arroyo, or in any watercourse, or in any other place or in any manner which will constitute a hazard to any fresh water supplies is hereby prohibited.

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

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

(4) That the two water holding and settling pits proposed by the applicant for the subject installation shall be constructed in accordance with the Division's "Specifications for the Design and Construction of Liquid Evaporation Pits," except that Section 2(A) of said specifications shall not be applicable.