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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. 2117
Order No. R-1819

APPLICATION OF RICE ENGINEERING
& OPERATING, INC. FOR AN ORDER
AUTHORIZING A SALT WATER DISPOSAL
WELL AT AN UNORTHODOX LOCATION
IN SECTION 33, TOWNSHIP 19 SOUTH,
RANGE 37 EAST, LEA COUNTY, NEW
MEXICO.

ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

BY THE COMMISSION:

This cause came on for hearing at 9 o'clock a.m. on November 2, 1960, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Elvis A. Utz, Examiner duly appointed by the Oil Conservation Commission of New Mexico, hereinafter referred to as the "Commission," in accordance with Rule 1214 of the Commission Rules and Regulations.

NOW, on this 9th day of November, 1960, the Commission, a quorum being present, having considered the application, the evidence adduced, and the recommendations of the Examiner, Elvis A. Utz, and being fully advised in the premises,

FINDS:

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

(2) That the applicant seeks an order authorizing the disposal of produced salt water into the San Andres formation through a well to be located at an unorthodox location 1485 feet from the South line and 1485 feet from the West line of Section 33, Township 19 South, Range 37 East, NMPM, Monument Pool, Lea County, New Mexico, with the proposed injection interval from 4500 feet to 5000 feet.

(3) That 5 1/2-inch internally plastic-coated tubing should be installed within 7-inch casing set at 4500 feet and the casing-tubing annulus filled with sweet oil, naptha or kerosene.

(4) That inasmuch as the applicant's proposed salt water disposal program will not jeopardize the production of oil, gas or fresh water in the area, approval of the subject application will neither cause waste nor impair correlative rights.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

(1) That the applicant, Rice Engineering & Operating, Inc., be and the same is hereby authorized to dispose of produced salt water into the San Andres formation of the Monument Pool through a well to be drilled at an unorthodox location, 1485 feet from the South line and 1485 feet from the West line of Section 33, Township 19 South, Range 37 East, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico, which unorthodox location is hereby approved, with the injection interval from 4500 feet to 5000 feet.

PROVIDED HOWEVER, That 5 1/2-inch internally plastic-coated tubing shall be installed within 7-inch casing set at 4500 feet and the casing-tubing annulus filled with sweet oil, naptha or kerosene.

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

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

STATE OF NEW MEXICO
OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

John Burroughs

JOHN BURROUGHS, Chairman

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MURRAY E. MORGAN, Member

A. L. Porter Jr.

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

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