

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. 545
Order No. R-336

THE APPLICATION OF SINCLAIR OIL AND GAS
COMPANY FOR AUTHORIZATION TO COMMINGLE
IN A COMMON TANK BATTERY OIL PRODUCED
FROM CERTAIN PORTIONS OF ITS STATE LEASES
NUMBERED B-10209, B-10137, AND E-6931, ALL IN
TOWNSHIP 13 SOUTH, RANGE 33 EAST, NMPM, LEA
COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, IN THE LAZY 'J' POOL;
THIS TO BE IN EXCEPTION TO RULE 309 OF THE
COMMISSION'S RULES AND REGULATIONS.

ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

BY THE COMMISSION:

This cause came on for hearing at 9 o'clock a.m. on June 16, 1953, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before the Oil Conservation Commission of New Mexico, hereinafter referred to as the "Commission."

NOW, on this 23rd day of June, 1953, the Commission, a quorum being present, having considered the testimony adduced and the exhibits received at said hearing, 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 applicant is the sole owner of New Mexico State oil and gas leases numbered B-10209, B-10137 and E-6931, said leases being owned in fee by the State of New Mexico.
3. That for reasons of efficiency applicant desires to use common tankage for the storage and measurement of oil produced from the Pennsylvanian formation underlying the following contiguous portions of said leases:

State Lease B-10209 insofar as it covers:
S/2 SE/4 Section 28, Township 13 South,
Range 33 East, NMPM, Lea County, N.M.

State Lease B-10137 insofar as it covers:
N/2 Section 33, Township 13 South,
Range 33 East, NMPM, Lea County, N.M.

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State Lease E-6931 insofar as it covers:

SW/4 Section 33, Township 13 South,

Range 33 East, NMPM, Lea County, N. M.

4. That applicant has made provision for installation of a common tank battery for the storage of all oil produced from the Pennsylvanian formation underlying the described portions of the above leases, a total of 560 acres, and that equipment is to be installed whereby production from each well drilled on the described land may be accurately determined as prescribed by the Commission.

5. That by reason of practical convenience and economy, and in absence of objection by the Commissioner of Public Lands of New Mexico, exception to Rule 309 should be granted.

6. That no objection by the Commissioner of Public Lands has been entered.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

That the application of Sinclair Oil and Gas Company for an exception to Rule 309 be, and the same hereby is approved, and Sinclair Oil and Gas Company be and it hereby is authorized to establish, maintain and operate a central tank battery to receive production from wells completed to the Pennsylvanian formation of the Lazy 'J' Pool only on certain described contiguous portions of its State Leases B-10209, B-10137 and E-6931, as follows:

State Lease B-10209 insofar as it covers

S/2 SE/4 Section 28, Township 13 South,

Range 33 East, NMPM, Lea County, N. M.

State Lease B-10137 insofar as it covers:

N/2 Section 33, Township 13 South,

Range 33 East, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico.

State Lease E-6931 insofar as it covers:

SW/4 Section 33, Township 13 South,

Range 33 East, NMPM, Lea County, N. M.

PROVIDED, HOWEVER, That adequate tankage and proper equipment are installed and maintained so as to permit specific production tests of each connected well at reasonable intervals or upon request of the Commission, or the Commissioner of Public Lands, and

PROVIDED FURTHER, That no well now or hereafter connected to such tank battery be permitted to produce at a rate in excess of that allowable as now or hereafter may be fixed for the Lazy 'J' Pool.

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IT IS FURTHER ORDERED: That jurisdiction of this case is hereby retained for purpose of revocation and modification under changed conditions.

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

STATE OF NEW MEXICO
OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

EDWIN L. MECHEM, Chairman

E. S. WALKER, Member

R. R. SPURRIER, Secretary

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