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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 COMMISSION ON ITS OWN MOTION TO PERMIT AL GREER, AMERICAN EMPLOYERS' INSURANCE COMPANY, AND ALL OTHER INTERESTED PARTIES TO APPEAR AND SHOW CAUSE WHY THE THOMPSON WELL NO. 1 LOCATED IN UNIT N OF SECTION 10, TOWNSHIP 30 NORTH, RANGE 11 WEST, SAN JUAN COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, SHOULD NOT BE PLUGGED AND ABANDONED IN ACCORDANCE WITH A COMMISSION-APPROVED PLUGGING PROGRAM.

CASE NO. 6152
Order No. R-5751

ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

BY THE COMMISSION:

This cause came on for hearing at 9 a.m. on March 22, 1978, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner Richard L. Stamets.

NOW, on this 7th day of July, 1978, 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 Al Greer is the owner and operator of the Thompson Well No. 1, located in Unit N of Section 10, Township 30 North, Range 11 West, NMPM, San Juan County, New Mexico.
- (3) That American Employers' Insurance Company is the surety on the Oil Conservation Division plugging bond on which Al Greer is principal.
- (4) That the purpose of said bond is to assure the state that the subject well will be properly plugged and abandoned when not capable of commercial production.
- (5) That in order to prevent waste, to protect fresh water supplies, and protect correlative rights said Thompson Well No. 1 should be plugged and abandoned in accordance with a program approved by the Aztec District Office of the Oil Conservation Division of the New Mexico Energy and Minerals Department on or before September 1, 1978, or the well should be returned to active drilling status or placed on production.

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IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

(1) That Al Greer is hereby ordered to plug and abandon the Thompson Well No. 1, located in Unit N of Section 10, Township 30 North, Range 11 West, NMPM, San Juan County, New Mexico, or in the alternative, to return the well to active drilling status or place the well on production on or before September 1, 1978.

(2) That Al Greer, prior to plugging and abandoning the above-described well, shall obtain from the Aztec office of the Division, a Division-approved program for said plugging and abandoning, and shall notify said Aztec office of the date and hour said work is to be commenced whereupon the Division may, at its option, witness such work.

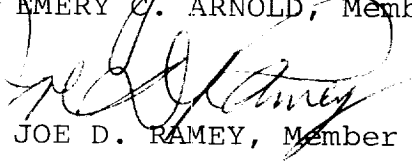
(3) That jurisdiction of this cause is retained for the entry of such further orders as the Commission may deem necessary.

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

STATE OF NEW MEXICO
OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

PHIL R. LUCERO, Chairman


EMERY C. ARNOLD, Member


JOE D. RAMEY, Member & Division Director

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