

BEFORE THE OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO

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

CASE NO. 328
ORDER NO. R-126

THE APPLICATION OF THE OIL CONSERVATION
COMMISSION OF NEW MEXICO, UPON ITS OWN
MOTION, FOR AN ORDER DIRECTED TO AL PARKER
AND THE MARYLAND CASUALTY COMPANY, DECLAR-
ING THE AL PARKER STATE NO. 1 WELL, NW/4 SE/4
SECTION 15, TOWNSHIP 23S., RANGE 5E., NMPM,
DONA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, ABANDONED,
AND ORDERING IT PLUGGED.

ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

BY THE COMMISSION:

This cause came on for hearing at 10 a. m. November 20, 1951, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before the Oil Conservation Commission of New Mexico, hereinafter referred to as the "Commission," all members being present.

NOW, on this 8th day of January, 1952, 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 notice having been given by publication and by registered mail, and Al Parker having appeared personally and by counsel, the Commission has jurisdiction of this cause, and the persons and subject matter thereof.

(2) That inspection of the location of the Al Parker State No. 1 well, NW/4 SE/4 Section 15, Township 23 South, Range 5 East, NMPM, Dona Ana County, New Mexico, by a representative of the Commission discloses that the well bore, as of October 1, 1951, has not been plugged, nor had said well been plugged at the date of this hearing; that the premises and pits show long abandonment; and for the prevention of underground waste, pollution of potable water, and location cleanup, the well bore should be plugged as required by the Rules and Regulations of the Commission.

(3) That while said well bore is located within the boundaries of a government reservation, into which entrance is restricted, permission of government authorities will be granted to any interested person to enter said reservation and remain for such time as is necessary to plug said well in accordance with the Rules and Regulations of the Commission.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

(1) That Al Parker, Maryland Casualty Company, c/o Charles F. O'Hara, Anthony, New Mexico, resident agent, and all persons claiming any right, title or interest in or to that certain well bore located upon NW/4 SE/4 Section 15, Township 23 South, Range 5 East, NMPM, Dona Ana County, New Mexico, are hereby declared to be in default in complying with the Rules and Regulations of this Commission governing abandonment and plugging of abandoned wells.

(2) That said well bore upon NW/4 SE/4 Section 15, Township 23 South, Range 5 East, NMPM, Dona Ana County, New Mexico, is hereby declared abandoned and ordered plugged in accordance with the Rules and Regulations of the Commission, provided, however, that Al Parker, or any person claiming any right, title or interest in or to said well bore may have thirty (30) days from the date of this order within which to retrieve recoverable material from said well bore, if any there be, casing excepted and to properly plug said well bore in accordance with the Rules and Regulations of this Commission, and to clean up the premises; failure hereunder within the time specified herein shall require the calling upon the surety company, Maryland Casualty Company of Maryland, c/o Charles F. O'Hara, Anthony, New Mexico, resident agent, to, at its own expense, immediately plug said well bore in compliance with the Rules and Regulations of this Commission.

DONE at Santa FE, New Mexico, the day and year hereinabove written.

Signed by: Edwin L. Mechem, Chairman: Guy Shepard, Member; R. R. Spurrier, Sec.