Entered February 3, 1970

# 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. 4289 Order No. R-3915

APPLICATION OF GETTY OIL COMPANY FOR DOWNHOLE COMMINGLING, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

#### ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

#### BY THE COMMISSION:

This cause came on for hearing at 9 a.m. on January 7, 1970, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner Daniel S. Nutter.

NOW, on this 3rd day of February, 1970, 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 the applicant, Getty Oil Company, is the operator of the State "BB" Well No. 2, located in Unit D of Section 2, Township 25 South, Range 37 East, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico.
- (3) That said well is presently completed and equipped to produce oil from perforations in the Justis-Blinebry Pool from 5386 feet to 5774 feet and from perforations in the Justis Tubb-Drinkard Pool from 5916 feet to 6220 feet through parallel strings of 2 7/8-inch casing cemented in a common well-bore.
- (4) That the evidence indicates that the Blinebry zone should be producing about 27 barrels of oil per day and that the Tubb-Drinkard zone should be producing about 29 barrels of oil per day.

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- (5) That about 55 barrels of oil per day is being produced from the Blinebry string of casing and about 6 barrels of oil per day is being produced from the Tubb-Drinkard string of casing.
- (6) That the evidence establishes that the subject zones are in communication with each other in the common well-bore.
- (7) That the evidence establishes that oil from the Tubb-Drinkard formation or Tubb-Drinkard casing string, or both, is escaping into either the Blinebry formation or into the Blinebry casing string, or both.
- (8) That the applicant proposes to continue producing the subject well in its present condition commingling the production from the subject pools in the common well-bore.
- (9) That damage may result to either or both of the subject reservoirs if the subject well is continued to be produced in its present condition, thus causing waste and a violation of correlative rights.
  - (10) That the subject application should be denied.
- (11) That the subject well should be repaired in order to prevent communication within the well-bore of the subject zones.

## IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

- (1) That the subject application is hereby denied.
- (2) That the applicant, Getty Oil Company, is hereby ordered to take immediately such remedial action as is necessary to prevent communication between the Justis-Blinebry and Justis Tubb-Drinkard Pools in the well-bore of its State "BB" Well No. 2, located in Unit D of Section 2, Township 25 South, Range 37 East, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico.
- (3) That jurisdiction of this cause is retained for the entry of such further orders as the Commission may deem necessary.

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

STATE OF NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

DAVID F. CARGO, Chairman

ALEX J. ARMIJO Member

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

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