

STATE OF NEW MEXICO
ENERGY, MINERALS AND NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT
OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

IN THE MATTER OF THE HEARING CALLED BY)
THE OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION FOR THE)
PURPOSE OF CONSIDERING:)

CASE NO. 12,434

APPLICATION OF THE OIL CONSERVATION)
DIVISION FOR AN ORDER REQUIRING C.H.)
JUNI TO PROPERLY PLUG ONE WELL, CHAVES)
COUNTY, NEW MEXICO)

ORIGINAL

REPORTER'S TRANSCRIPT OF PROCEEDINGS

EXAMINER HEARING

BEFORE: DAVID R. CATANACH, Hearing Examiner

June 15th, 2000

Santa Fe, New Mexico

This matter came on for hearing before the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division, DAVID R. CATANACH, Hearing Examiner, on Thursday, June 15th, 2000, at the New Mexico Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources Department, Porter Hall, 2040 South Pacheco, Santa Fe, New Mexico, Steven T. Brenner, Certified Court Reporter No. 7 for the State of New Mexico.

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APPLICANT'S WITNESS:

MIKE STUBBLEFIELD (Field Rep II, Artesia District
 Office, District 2, NMOCd; Present by Telephone)
 Direct Examination by Ms. Hebert
 Examination by Examiner Catanach

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REPORTER'S CERTIFICATE

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E X H I B I T S

Applicant's	Identified	Admitted
Exhibit 1	4	-
Exhibit 2	4	-
Exhibit 3	4	-

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A P P E A R A N C E S

FOR THE DIVISION:

LYN S. HEBERT
 Attorney at Law
 Legal Counsel to the Division
 2040 South Pacheco
 Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505

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1 WHEREUPON, the following proceedings were had at
2 10:06 a.m.:

3 EXAMINER CATANACH: At this time we'll call Case
4 12,434, which is the Application of the Oil Conservation
5 Division for an order requiring C.H. Juni to properly plug
6 one well, Chaves County, New Mexico.

7 Again, call for appearances in this case.

8 MS. HEBERT: Mr. Examiner, Lyn Hebert on behalf
9 of the Oil Conservation Division.

10 I have one witness who has been previously sworn
11 in Case Number 12,433 and accepted as an expert in the
12 plugging of wells, and I hand to you the file of exhibits
13 on this case.

14 EXAMINER CATANACH: Call for additional
15 appearances.

16 There are none.

17 Let the record show that Mike Stubblefield is the
18 witness, and he has previously been sworn and qualified.

19 You may proceed, Ms. Hebert.

20 MIKE STUBBLEFIELD (Present by Telephone),
21 the witness herein, after having been first duly sworn upon
22 his oath, was examined and testified as follows:

23 DIRECT EXAMINATION

24 BY MS. HEBERT:

25 Q. Mr. Stubblefield, would you describe the well

1 that's in the information on Exhibit 1? And this is the
2 well in Chaves County.

3 A. The Exhibit is the C.H. Juni State Number 2,
4 which is located in Chaves County. This well was spudded
5 December 8th, 1970. 5-1/2-inch casing was run and cemented
6 at 1956 foot.

7 The well was completed with perforations from
8 1926 to -28 foot. Last production on our ONGARD system was
9 January of 1980.

10 Q. Okay, thank you, Mr. Stubblefield. Also in
11 Exhibit 1 is your recommendation for the plugging of this
12 well?

13 A. Yes, ma'am, I do recommend that we plug this well
14 to protect the fresh waters of the State of New Mexico, the
15 environment and correlative rights in the area.

16 Q. Going on to Exhibit Number 2, is that a \$5000
17 plugging bond for this well?

18 A. Yes, ma'am, it is.

19 MS. HEBERT: Mr. Examiner, Exhibit Number 3 again
20 is an affidavit regarding the notice that was sent. On
21 this we did have a return card signed by C.H. Juni, but
22 there has been no correspondence, any kind of contact from
23 Mr. Juni.

24 THE WITNESS: No, ma'am, there has not.

25 MS. HEBERT: I haven't received any either.

1 And that concludes our presentation in this case.

2 EXAMINATION

3 BY EXAMINER CATANACH:

4 Q. And Mr. Stubblefield, did you have a plugging
5 procedure that you've proposed for this well?

6 A. Yes, sir, Mr. Catanach, I do.

7 Q. And is that included in Exhibit Number 1, sir?

8 A. Yes, it is.

9 Q. Again, as far as you know, there hasn't been
10 anything done on this well since 1980 or so, since the date
11 of last production?

12 A. Not that I'm aware of, sir.

13 Q. And your well records, in fact, reflect that, do
14 they not, Mr. Stubblefield?

15 A. We have no records of production. The last
16 reported production is 1980.

17 EXAMINER CATANACH: Okay, and we've got a one-
18 well \$5000 plugging bond on this well, which I assume is
19 still in effect, Ms. Hebert, or do you know?

20 MS. HEBERT: We hope it is. We are of the
21 position that it is still in effect.

22 EXAMINER CATANACH: Okay. Anything else?

23 MS. HEBERT: Nothing else.

24 EXAMINER CATANACH: There being nothing else,
25 Case 12,434 will be taken under advisement.

1 (Thereupon, these proceedings were concluded at
2 10:07 a.m.)

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10 I do hereby certify that the foregoing is
11 a correct record of the proceedings at
the Examiner hearing of Case No. 234,
heard by me on April 15 1900.
12 Daniel T. Litch, Examiner
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CERTIFICATE OF REPORTER

STATE OF NEW MEXICO)
) ss.
COUNTY OF SANTA FE)

I, Steven T. Brenner, Certified Court Reporter and Notary Public, HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing transcript of proceedings before the Oil Conservation Division was reported by me; that I transcribed my notes; and that the foregoing is a true and accurate record of the proceedings.

I FURTHER CERTIFY that I am not a relative or employee of any of the parties or attorneys involved in this matter and that I have no personal interest in the final disposition of this matter.

WITNESS MY HAND AND SEAL June 16th, 2000.



STEVEN T. BRENNER
CCR No. 7

My commission expires: October 14, 2002