

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. 20.

ORDER NO. 257.

THE PETITION OF NATIONAL SURETY CORPORATION TO HAVE DETERMINED THE STATUS OF THE WELL KNOWN AS THE WINSTON MARKS WELL, LOCATED UPON THE SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ , SECTION 5, TOWNSHIP 25 NORTH, RANGE 24 EAST (COLFAX COUNTY), AS ABANDONED; TO WITHDRAW CASING THEREFROM AND PLUG SAID WELL IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION.

ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

BY THE COMMISSION:

This cause came on for hearing at ten o'clock A. M., April 15, 1940, at Santa Fe, New Mexico.

NOW, on this 15th day of April, 1940, the Commission having before it for consideration the testimony adduced at the hearing of said case and being fully advised in the premises, the Commission finds:

F I N D I N G S

1. That notice by publication of the filing of the application herein, the time and the place of the hearing thereon, and the purpose of said hearing, have been regularly given in all respects as required by law, and the Commission has jurisdiction of the subject matter embraced in said petition and of the parties interested therein, and jurisdiction to issue and promulgate the hereinafter prescribed order.

2. That the well generally known as the Winston Marks Well, located upon the SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ , Section 5, Township 25 North, Range 24 East (Colfax County), is not a producer, has some tools lost in the bottom of the hole, is unplugged, drilling activities in connection therewith have either ceased or have been negligible for an unreasonably long time, and in such sense is an abandoned well.

3. That the Petitioner is the Surety upon Mrs. Winston Marks' plugging bond upon Form 39-B1, written in the sum of \$5,000.00, conditioned in substance upon approved abandonment of said well.

O R D E R

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Oil Conservation Commission of the State of New Mexico as follows:

1. That the Winston Marks Well, located upon the SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ , Section 5, Township 25 North, Range 24 East (Colfax County), is an abandoned well and should be plugged in accordance with the rules and regulations of the Oil Conservation Commission.

2. That the Petitioner's petition to plug said well and to withdraw casing therefrom is hereby granted in accordance with the rules and regulations of the Commission, subject, however, to the following:

A. To the usual administrative requirements of the Commission in the process of abandoning said well;

B. To the Petitioner having and assuming full responsibility for right of way over the premises involved for the purpose of accomplishing such abandonment;

C. To the Petitioner having and assuming full responsibility for title of said casing and for any and all liens thereupon.

OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

By *Frank Wood*  
Commissioner of Public Lands

By *R. Andreat*  
State Geologist