

BEFORE THE OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION  
OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO

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IN THE MATTER OF APPLICATION  
OF M. T. GRIER FOR PERMIT TO  
DRILL FIVE UNORTHODOX LOCATIONS  
KNOWN AS THE M. T. GRIER-SANTA FE  
NUMBERS SIX, SEVEN, EIGHT, NINE  
AND TEN, IN THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER  
OF THE SOUTHEAST QUARTER OF SECTION  
TWENTY AND THE NORTHWEST QUARTER  
OF THE NORTHEAST QUARTER OF SECTION  
TWENTY-NINE, TOWNSHIP TWENTY NORTH,  
RANGE NINE WEST, NEW MEXICO PRINCIPAL  
MERIDIAN IN MCKINLEY COUNTY, NEW  
MEXICO.  
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CASE NUMBER 400

P E T I T I O N

Comes now M. T. Grier by his Attorney, Dudley Cornell, and shows to the Commission that he is the owner of an oil and gas lease on the South Half (S/2) of Section Twenty (20) and the North Half (N/2) of Section Twenty-nine (29), Township Twenty (20) North, Range Nine (9) West, N. M. P. M., McKinley County, New Mexico.

That prior to the vesting of the said lease in this petitioner, five shallow wells for the production of oil and gas had been drilled therein, on what is known as the Red Mountain Oil Field; that applicant is operating three of the said wells as shown upon plat attached hereto, and is producing approximately fifteen (15) barrels per day of oil from the said wells; that numbers Four and Five of said wells were plugged, and are not presently producing, but their locations are likewise shown upon plat attached.

That said spacing was not upon the forty-acre spacing authorized by the rules of the Commission, and was not in accordance with any regular oil well spacing pattern.

Applicant desires to drill additional wells to augment the present production of said lease, and desires to drill said wells upon a pattern of four wells to each ten-acre public survey sub-division.

1           The attached plat shows the locations of the producing wells,  
2 being Numbers One, Two and Three, which are 460 feet, 510 feet  
3 and 420 feet respectively, in depth.

4           That applicant desires a hearing for the purpose of offering  
5 proof that because of the shallow nature of this field and the character  
6 of the production that an unorthodox spacing as herein requested is  
7 reasonable and should be approved.  
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9           That all of the acreage within Six Hundred Sixty (660) feet of  
10 the said five (5) locations is held under lease by Applicant.

11           WHEREFORE, Applicant prays for an order authorizing the  
12 drilling of said wells, Six, Seven, Eight, Nine and Ten, upon the  
13 location as shown upon plat attached hereto.  
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