

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. 1240
Order No. R-996

APPLICATION OF LESLIE FRANK HALE,
DBA HALE PRODUCTION COMPANY FOR
APPROVAL OF AN UNORTHODOX OIL WELL
LOCATION IN THE NW/4 SW/4 OF SECTION
22, TOWNSHIP 21 SOUTH, RANGE 34 EAST,
NMPM, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

BY THE COMMISSION:

This cause came on for hearing at 9 o'clock a.m. on April 23, 1957, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Daniel S. Nutter, Examiner, duly appointed by the Oil Conservation Commission, hereinafter referred to as the "Commission," in accordance with Rule 1214 of the Commission Rules and Regulations.

NOW, on this 10th day of May, 1957, the Commission, a quorum being present, having considered the application, the evidence adduced, the recommendations of the Examiner, Daniel S. Nutter, 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 case and the subject matter thereof.
- (2) That the applicant is the owner of a State of New Mexico Lease, a portion of which consists of the NW/4 SW/4 of Section 22, Township 21 South, Range 34 East, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico.
- (3) That as a result of inadvertence, the applicant has commenced the drilling of his Sanders-State Well No. 1, at a point 2386 feet from the South line and 670 feet from the West line of said Section 22.
- (4) That the primary and secondary terms of the applicant's lease have expired and that he is holding the lease by virtue of continued drilling operations on the aforementioned Sanders-State Well No. 1 under the provisions of paragraph 16 of the standard State of New Mexico lease form.
- (5) That the applicant will suffer undue hardship if the subject application is not approved since his lease will automatically terminate if he is required to abandon drilling operations on the aforementioned Sanders-State Well No. 1.

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(6) That no offset operator has entered an objection to the approval of the proposed unorthodox location.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

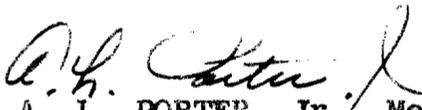
That the applicant, Leslie Frank Hale, dba Hale Production Company, be and the same is hereby granted authority to drill his Sanders-State Well No. 1, at a point 2,386 feet from the South line and 670 feet from the West line of Section 22, Township 21 South, Range 34 East, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico.

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

STATE OF NEW MEXICO
OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION


EDWIN L. MECHEM, Chairman


MURRAY E. MORGAN, Member


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

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