

BEFORE THE  
OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION  
Santa Fe, New Mexico  
June 14, 1962

REGULAR HEARING

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IN THE MATTER OF: )

Southeastern New Mexico nomenclature case calling ) CASE 2585  
for an order creating new pools and extending )  
and abolishing certain existing pools in Lea and )  
Roosevelt Counties, New Mexico. )  
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BEFORE:

Governor Edwin L. Mechem  
Mr. A. L. (Pete) Porter  
Mr. E. S. (Johnny) Walker

TRANSCRIPT OF PROCEEDINGS

MR. PORTER: The next case will be Case 2585.

MR. MORRIS: Southeastern New Mexico nomenclature  
case.

(Witness sworn.)

DAN NUTTER

called as a witness, having been first duly sworn on oath, testi-  
fied as follows:

DIRECT EXAMINATION

BY MR. MORRIS:

Q Please state your name and position.

A Dan Nutter, Chief Engineer for the Oil Conservation  
Commission.

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Q Mr. Nutter, are you prepared today to recommend to the Commission for an order creating new pools and extending and abolishing existing pools in Lea and Roosevelt Counties, New Mexico?

A Yes, sir.

Q And in that regard have you prepared an exhibit designated Exhibit 1 in this case?

A I have had such an exhibit prepared, yes.

Q Referring to that exhibit, paragraph (a), what is your recommendation concerning the creation of the new oil pool for Pennsylvanian production?

A I would recommend that the West Allison-Pennsylvanian Pool be created, comprising the Northwest Quarter of Section 31, Township 8 South, Range 36 East, Roosevelt County. The discovery well was the Olen F. Featherstone-Stone Federal No. 1 in Unit C of Section 31. It was completed in the Bough "C" formation of the Pennsylvanian January 9th, 1962. The top of the perforations is 9793 feet.

Q Referring to paragraph (b) of Exhibit 1, what is your recommendation concerning the creation of the new oil pool for Drinkard production?

A I would recommend that the Goodwin-Drinkard Pool be created, comprising the Northwest Quarter of Section 30, Township 18 South, Range 37 East, Lea County. The discovery well was the Continental Oil Company - Goodwin 30 No. 1 in Unit E of Section



30. It was completed in the Drinkard formation February 25, 1962, with the top of the perforations at 7347.

Q What is your recommendation concerning the creation of a new oil pool for Devonian production?

A I would recommend the Monument Draw-Devonian be created, comprising the Southeast Quarter of Section 17, Township 23 South, Range 38 East, Lea County. The Pool was discovered by Williamson Petroleum Company - Wahlenmaier Federal No. 1 in Unit P of Section 17. It was completed February 19, 1962, and the top of the perforations is 8226 feet.

Q Do you have a recommendation concerning the East Prairie-Pennsylvanian Pool?

A Yes, sir, I would recommend that the East Prairie-Pennsylvanian Pool in Section 23, Township 8 South, 36 East, Roosevelt County, be abolished. The reason for this is that it produces from the same reservoir as the South Prairie-Pennsylvanian Pool.

Q With respect to paragraphs (e) through (m) of Exhibit No. 1, do those paragraphs accurately reflect the proposed extensions of various pools in Lea and Roosevelt Counties, New Mexico?

A Yes, sir, they do, and they are identical to the extensions advertised or described on the docket, with three exceptions. In paragraph (f), the Allison-Pennsylvanian Pool I have recommended to be extended as on the docket, plus the West Half



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of the Southeast Quarter of Section 33 of Township 8 South, 37 East.

In paragraph (g) I would recommend the North Justis-Devonian Pool be extended as shown on the docket, with the addition also of the Southwest Quarter of Section 35, Township 24 South, Range 37 East; and in paragraph (m), I would recommend that the Vacuum-Abo Pool be extended as shown on the docket, also add the Northeast Quarter of Section 8, Township 18 South, Range 35 East.

All of this is shown on the exhibits, and is the same as the dockets, except those noted exceptions.

Q Do you have anything further you would like to add in this case?

A I would like to offer the exhibit.

MR. MORRIS: If the Commission please, we will offer Exhibit 1, Case 2585, and that concludes the direct examination of Mr. Nutter.

MR. PORTER: The exhibit will be admitted in the record.

(Whereupon, Commission Exhibit No. 1 admitted in evidence.)

MR. PORTER: Any questions of the witness? The witness may be excused.

(Witness excused.)

MR. PORTER: We'll take the case under advisement.

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STATE OF NEW MEXICO    )  
                                  ) ss  
COUNTY OF BERNALILLO    )

I, ADA DEARNLEY, Notary Public in and for the County of Bernalillo, State of New Mexico, do hereby certify that the foregoing and attached Transcript of Proceedings before the New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission was reported by me in stenotype and reduced to typewritten transcript under my personal supervision; that the same is a true and correct record of said proceedings to the best of my knowledge, skill and ability.

WITNESS my Hand and Notarial Seal this 25th day of June, 1962.

*Ada Dearnley*  
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NOTARY PUBLIC

My Commission Expires:  
June 19, 1963.

