



HARRY D. CAMPBELL  
PRESIDENT

# FRANCO WESTERN OIL COMPANY

OIL PRODUCTION AND ROYALTIES

P. O. BOX 1176

BAKERSFIELD, CALIFORNIA

*40-2915*  
**PLEASE REPLY TO;**

REPLY TO:

SOUTHWEST DIVISION:

806 WILCO BUILDING

MIDLAND, TEXAS

MUTUAL 2-5325

September 17, 1963

State of New Mexico  
Oil and Gas Conservation Commission  
P. O. Box 871  
Santa Fe, New Mexico

Re: Proposed South Seven Rivers  
Unit Area, Eddy County,  
New Mexico

Gentlemen:

We are enclosing four duplicate originals of application wherein this Company seeks approval of the South Seven Rivers Unit Area, Eddy County, New Mexico.

Your earliest attention to this application will be greatly appreciated.

Yours very truly,

FRANCO WESTERN OIL COMPANY

*J. E. Spence*

J. E. Spence  
Division Landman

**DOCKET MAILED**

Date *9/27/63*

JES:bs  
Enclosures

State of New Mexico  
Oil Conservation Commission  
P. O. Box 871  
Santa Fe, New Mexico

*Mar 29/5*

Re: Proposed South Seven Rivers  
Unit Area, Eddy County,  
New Mexico

Gentlemen:

Franco Western Oil Company, a Delaware Corporation, with a permit to do business in the State of New Mexico, and with an office at 806 Wilco Building, Midland, Texas, hereby seeks approval of the South Seven Rivers Unit Area comprising 4479.84 acres of State, Federal and Fee lands in Township 20 South, Ranges 24 and 25 East, Eddy County, New Mexico.

Reference is made to the attached "Exhibit A" for purpose of defining the proposed Unit Area. Three copies of this letter with "Exhibit A" are furnished herewith.

1. Attached "Exhibit A" is plat showing:
  - a. Proposed Unit Area
  - b. Ownership of Oil and Gas Leases in Unit Area as shown of record.
  - c. Serial number of State and Federal leases listed in sequence.
  - d. Amount of State, Federal and Fee acreage and total thereof in proposed Unit.
2. Franco Western Oil Company is the proposed operator of the Unit.
3. Applicant will furnish the Commission any Geological information and/or maps it might desire upon being advised as to the information and maps the Commission might desire or require.

4. Applicant proposes to drill or cause to be drilled a test well to a depth of 9300 feet or a depth sufficient to test the Morrow formation, whichever is the lesser depth. The present proposed location for the well is in the SW/4 SW/4 of Section 36, T 20 S, R 24 E.
5. Applicant has heretofore on September 13, 1963, filed with the Regional Supervisor of the United States Geological Survey, Roswell, New Mexico, its Application For Designation Of South Seven Rivers Unit Area, Eddy County, New Mexico.
6. Applicant proposes to use substantially the standard form of Unit Agreement 30 C.F.R. 226.12 as revised in the 1961 reprint.

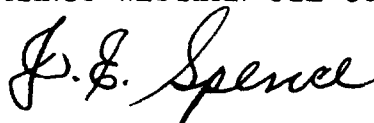
Agreement form will be changed in the following respects:

1. By adding provision to provide for the inclusion of State land within the proposed unit.
2. Insertion of nondiscrimination clause in lieu of the "Fair Employment" section in Section 26, of the 1961 reprint of the Standard Unit Agreement.
3. Item 6 (b) beginning on Line 5, Page 7 of the 1961 reprint to read:
  - (b) The selection shall have been filed with the Supervisor. If no successor Unit Operator is selected and qualified as herein provided, the Director at his election may declare this Unit Agreement terminated.

Applicant wishes to call the Commission's attention to the fact that Federal Leases N.M. Serial No. 071391-A and 071391-B which cover all of Section 31, T 20 S, R 25 E, are in their third term of extension and will expire October 31, 1963, and the applicant respectfully request that this application be given your preferred attention.

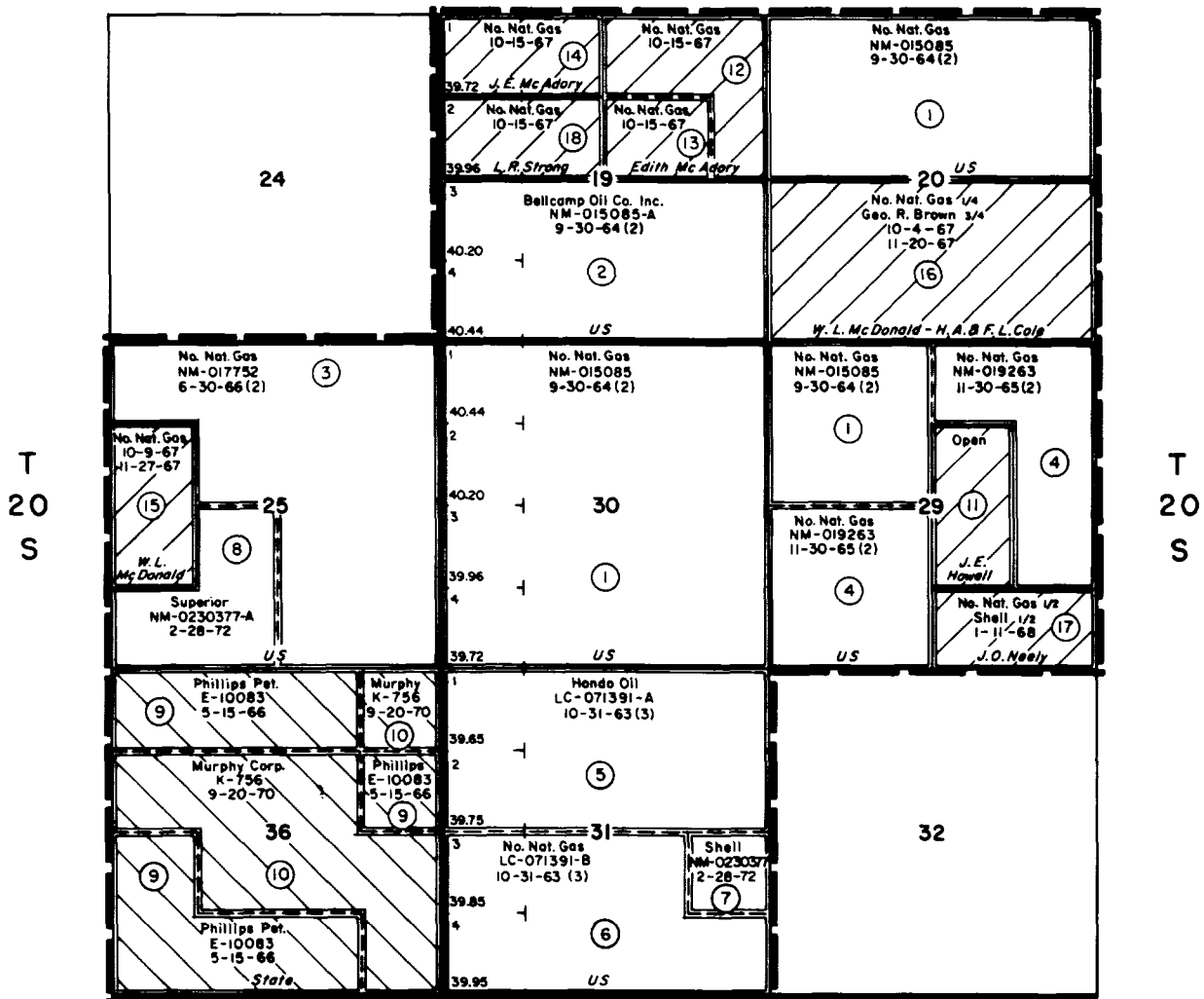
Yours very truly,

FRANCO WESTERN OIL COMPANY

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "J. E. Spence". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the printed name and title.

J. E. Spence  
Division Landman

R 25 E



R 25 E

TRACTS		UNIT AREA	
		ACREAGE	PERCENT
11	FEDERAL	2960.16	66.0773
5	STATE	640.00	14.2863
8	FEE	879.68	19.6364
24	TOTAL	4479.84	100.0000

FEDERAL LEASES

- 1 NM - 015085  
2 NM - 015085-A  
3 NM - 017752  
4 NM - 019263  
5 LC - 071391 - A  
6 LC - 071391 - B  
7 NM - 0230377  
8 NM - 0230377 - A






## STATE LEASES

- 9 E - 10083  
10 K - 756

## FEE LEASES

- 11  
12  
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### LEGEND

-  FEDERAL LANDS  
 STATE LANDS  
 FEE LANDS  
 UNIT BOUNDARY  
 TRACT NUMBERS

**EXHIBIT "A"**

**SOUTH SEVEN RIVERS UNIT AREA**  
**EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO**

SCALE: 1" = 3000'

Can 7915

Case 2915

Heard. 10-9-63

Rec. 10-9-63,

Hearings case at request of operator.  
to continue.  
*Thurston*

# Memo

Mr. Spence (Franco)

From

Ph: Oxford 4-7291

IDA RODRIGUEZ

Midland, Tex.

10/7/63

To Dan - & Elvis

Mr. Spence with Franco Western Oil Company called and wants his Case 2915 - continued indefinitely because their geologist and engineers were called to California to a meeting and they will not be able to get their testimony ready in time for the Oct. 9th hearing. He will write to Dan and let him know when he wants it on an examiner hearing docket. I explained how we set up the ex. hearings - so he will notify you more or less when close to one of our hearings - first or end of the month - etc.

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OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION  
P. O. BOX 871  
SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

October 8, 1963

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Franco Western Oil Company  
806 Wilco Building  
Midland, Texas

Attention: Mr. J. E. Spence

Gentlemen:

Reference is made to Case No. 2915, application of Franco Western Oil Company for approval of the South Seven Rivers Unit Area, Eddy County, New Mexico.

In telephone conversation with Mrs. Rodriguez of this office, Mr. Spence requested that the case be continued indefinitely. We seldom do this, however, and would prefer to dismiss the case when it comes on for hearing October 9th.

You may re-open the case at any time by writing us a letter referring to the case by number.

Very truly yours,

DANIEL S. NUTTER  
Chief Engineer

DSN/ir

cc: U. S. G. S.  
Roswell, New Mexico

Commissioner of Public Lands, Santa Fe, New Mexico

Case File 2915

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