

DOCKET: EXAMINER HEARING - WEDNESDAY - JANUARY 7, 1970

9 A.M. - OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION CONFERENCE ROOM,
STATE LAND OFFICE BUILDING - SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

The following cases will be heard before Daniel S. Nutter, Examiner, or A. L. Porter, Jr., Alternate Examiner:

CASE 4286: Application of Gulf Oil Corporation for an exception to Order No. R-3221, as amended, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an exception to Order No. R-3221, as amended, which order prohibits the disposal of water produced in conjunction with the production of oil on the surface of the ground in Lea, Eddy, Chaves, and Roosevelt Counties, New Mexico. Said exception would be for applicant's Littlefield "AB" Federal Lease, located in Section 22, Township 18 South, Range 31 East, Shugart Field, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant seeks authority to dispose of salt water produced by wells on said lease in unlined surface pits in said Section 22.

CASE 4287: Application of Continental Oil Company, for a waterflood expansion and unorthodox injection well location, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks authority to expand its Forest Donahue Waterflood Project, Forest Pool, by the injection of water through one additional well located at an unorthodox location 1960 feet from the North line and 1450 feet from the West line of Section 35, Township 16 South, Range 29 East, Eddy County, New Mexico.

CASE 4288: Application of Wood, McShane and Thams-COLORADO for an unorthodox oil well location and waterflood expansion, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicants, in the above-styled cause, seek authority to drill their Well No. 63, a producing oil well, at an unorthodox location 2740 feet from the south line and 1280 feet from the East line of Section 30, Township 22 South, Range 37 East, as an infill well in the Humble Oil & Refining Company State "M" Lease Waterflood Project, Langlie-Mattix Pool, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicants further seek to expand said project by the conversion to water injection of their Wells Nos. 27 and 39 located, respectively, in Units H and J of said Section 30. Applicants also seek a procedure whereby additional producing wells and injection wells at orthodox and unorthodox locations in said project may be approved administratively.

CASE 4289: Application of Getty Oil Company for downhole commingling, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks authority to commingle production from the Justis-Blinebry and Justis-Tubb Drinkard Pools in the wellbore of its State "BB" Well No. 2 located in Unit D of Section 2, Township 25 South, Range 37 East, Lea County, New Mexico.

CASE 4290: Application of Getty Oil Company for a non-standard oil proration unit, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval of an 80-acre non-standard proration unit comprising the SE/4 NE/4 and the NE/4 SE/4 of Section 29, Township 18 South, Range 38 East, Hobbs-Drinkard Pool, Lea County, New Mexico, said unit to be dedicated to a well to be drilled at a standard location in the NE/4 SE/4 of said Section 29.

CASE 3993: (Reopened)

In the matter of Case No. 3993 being reopened pursuant to the provisions of Order No. R-3644, which order established 160-acre spacing units for the North Baum-Upper Pennsylvanian Pool, Lea County, New Mexico, for a one-year period. All interested parties may appear and show cause why said pool should not be developed on less than 160-acre units and why the proportional factor of 4.77 assigned to the pool should or should not be retained.

CASE 4202: (Reopened)

In the matter of Case 4202 being reopened at the request of the applicant, Mobil Oil Corporation. Applicant, in the original hearing of this case, sought permission to institute a water-flood project in the Langlie Mattix Queen Unit Area, Langlie-Mattix Pool, by the injection of water into the Queen sand formation through 17 injection wells at orthodox and unorthodox locations in Sections 10, 11, 14, 15, 22, and 23, Township 25 South, Range 37 East, Lea County, New Mexico. The Commission, by Order No. R-3823, authorized the applicant to inject water through 16 wells and denied the applicant authority to inject water through the proposed injection Well No. 14 to be drilled 660 feet from the North line and 1220 feet from the West line of said Section 14. Applicant seeks authority to now complete said Well No. 14 as a water injection well, alleging that negotiations for the acquisition or inclusion of acreage offsetting said Well No. 14 have not been successful, that failure to inject water through the well will result in the loss of approximately 200,000 barrels of oil, and that said injection will not violate the correlative rights of the offset operator.