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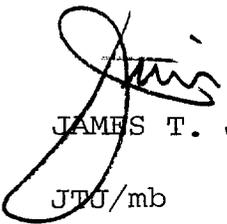
Oil Conservation Commission
P. O. Box 2088
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87501

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Attention: Ida Rodriguez

RE: KEOHANE AND WESTALL APPLICATION FOR EXCEPTION TO ORDER R-3221

Enclosed herewith you will find the Application of Keohane & Westall for an exception to Order R-3221 covering one well located in the Shugart Pool.


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Encl.

cc: B. M. Keohane

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BEFORE THE OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION
OF KEOHANE & WESTALL FOR AN
EXCEPTION TO ORDER NO. R-3221 TO
PERMIT THE DISPOSAL OF PRODUCED
SALT WATER INTO AN UNLINED OPEN
SURFACE PIT IN EDDY COUNTY, NEW
MEXICO.

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APPLICATION

COME NOW KEOHANE & WESTALL (B. M. Keohane and Garel Westall), by their attorneys, Jennings, Christy & Copple, and seek an exception to Order R-3221, as amended, to permit the disposal of produced salt water into an open unlined surface pit located in Lot 4 (NW $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$) Section 2, Township 19 South, Range 31 East, N.M.P.M., Eddy County, New Mexico, and in support of their application state:

1. Applicants are the Operators of a lease covering Lot 4 and the SW $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ Section 2, Township 19 South, Range 31 East, upon which the Keohane & Westall State No. 1 Well, located 330 feet from the West line and 990 feet from the North line of Lot 4, has been completed and is producing from the Shugart Pool.

2. That said well produced 543 barrels of oil during April, 114 barrels during May and 240 barrels during June of 1970.

3. That there is a waterflood project immediately North of the lease and the well has commenced producing a small amount of salt water and during the month of July, 1970 produced 20 barrels of salt water per day, which water is being disposed of in an unlined open pit located in Lot 4 Section 2, Township 19 South, Range 31 East.

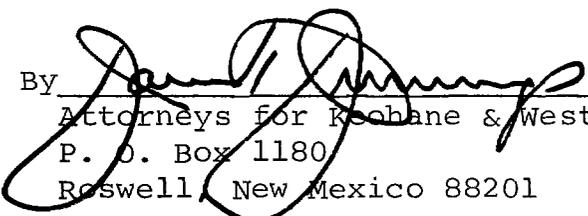
4. Applicants seek permission to dispose of the produced salt water produced from the above described well and any other well which Applicants may drill upon their lease into open unlined pits located in Lot 4 Section 2, Township 19 South, Range 31 East, or other portions of the land embraced in said lease, as an exception to Order R-3221, as amended.

5. That there is no fresh or potable water in the vicinity and the only water available in the vicinity for any purpose is from the pipeline serving the potash mines in the area. That there are no salt water disposal facilities available in the area and it is not economical to truck the produced salt water to a disposal facility.

6. Approval of this application for an exception to Order R-3221, as amended, will prevent waste, protect correlative rights and will not injure any fresh water or present any threat of such injury.

WHEREFORE, Applicants request that this application be set for hearing before the Commission or one of its examiners and that the Commission enter its Order granting Applicants an exception to Order R-3221, as amended, in accordance with this application.

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