

BEFORE THE OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO

IN THE MATTER OF THE HEARING
CALLED BY THE OIL CONSERVATION
COMMISSION OF NEW MEXICO FOR
THE PURPOSE OF CONSIDERING:

CASE No. 2671
Order No. R-2350

APPLICATION OF THE PURE OIL COMPANY
FOR APPROVAL OF THE RED HILLS UNIT
AGREEMENT, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

BY THE COMMISSION:

This cause came on for hearing at 9 o'clock a.m. on October 24, 1962, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Elvis A. Utz, Examiner duly appointed by the Oil Conservation Commission of New Mexico, hereinafter referred to as the "Commission," in accordance with Rule 1214 of the Commission Rules and Regulations.

NOW, on this 31st day of October, 1962, the Commission a quorum being present, having considered the application, the evidence adduced, and the recommendations of the Examiner, Elvis A. Utz, 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 cause and the subject matter thereof.
- (2) That the applicant, The Pure Oil Company, seeks approval of the Red Hills Unit Agreement covering 28,796.48 acres, more or less, of State, Federal and Fee lands in Township 25 South, Ranges 32 and 33 East, and Township 26 South, Range 33 East, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico.
- (3) That approval of the proposed Red Hills Unit Agreement will in principle tend to promote the conservation of oil and gas and the prevention of waste.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

- (1) That the Red Hills Unit Agreement is hereby approved.
- (2) That the plan under which the unit area shall be operated shall be embraced in the form of a unit agreement for the development and operation of the Red Hills Unit Area, and such plan shall be known as the Red Hills Unit Agreement Plan.

(3) That the Red Hills Unit Agreement Plan is hereby approved in principle as a proper conservation measure; provided, however, that notwithstanding any of the provisions contained in said unit agreement, this approval shall not be considered as waiving or relinquishing, in any manner, any right, duty, or obligation which is now, or may hereafter be, vested in the Oil Conservation Commission of New Mexico by law relative to the supervision and control of operations for the exploration and development of any lands committed to the Red Hills Unit, or relative to the production of oil and gas therefrom.

(4) (a) That the unit area shall be:

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TOWNSHIP 25 SOUTH, RANGE 32 EAST
Sections 1, 2, 11 through 14,
23 through 26, 35 and 36: All

TOWNSHIP 25 SOUTH, RANGE 33 EAST
Sections 3 through 10, 15 through 22,
and 27 through 34: All

TOWNSHIP 26 SOUTH, RANGE 33 EAST
Sections 3 through 9, 16 and 17: All

containing 28,796.48 acres, more or less.

(b) That the unit area may be enlarged or contracted as provided in said plan; provided, however, that administrative approval for expansion or contraction of the unit area must also be obtained from the Secretary-Director of the Commission.

(5) That the unit operator shall file with the Commission an executed original or executed counterpart of the Red Hills Unit Agreement within 30 days after the effective date thereof. In the event of subsequent joinder by any party or expansion or contraction of the unit area, the unit operator shall file with the Commission within 30 days thereafter counterparts of the unit agreement reflecting the subscription of those interests having joined or ratified.

(6) That this order shall become effective upon the approval of said unit agreement by the Commissioner of Public Lands for the State of New Mexico and the Director of the United States Geological Survey, and shall terminate ipso facto upon the termination of said unit agreement. The last unit operator shall notify the Commission immediately in writing of such termination.

(7) That jurisdiction of this cause is retained for the entry of such further orders as the Commission may deem necessary.

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DONE at Santa Fe, New Mexico, on the day and year herein-
above designated.

STATE OF NEW MEXICO
OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION



EDWIN L. MECHEM, Chairman



E. S. WALKER, Member



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



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