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MR. UTZ: We'll call the nomenclature case next since there's some people involved in this case. We'll call Case 5068, the nomenclature case.

MR. DERRYBERRY: Southeastern nomenclature case calling for the creation and extension of the vertical and horizontal limits of certain pools in Lea County, New Mexico.

# DANIEL NUTTER,

a witness, having been first duly sworn according to law, upon his oath testified as follows:

# DIRECT EXAMINATION

# BY MR. DERRYBERRY:

- Will you state your name, please?
- Dan Nutter, Chief Examiner for the New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission.
- Are you prepared to make recommendations to the Commission Q concerning the nomenclature of certain pools in Lea County, New Mexico?
- Yes, I am.
- Are your recommendations prepared in the form of an exhibit?
- Yes, they are.
- Will you please refer to this exhibit and to the docket that's been prepared and distributed at this hearing and point out any substantial differences between the two? Yes, sir, I will. We have prepared what is identified

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as OCC Exhibit No. 1 in Case 5068. This is an exhibit consisting of five sheets. The first sheet is identified as 5068(a). It calls for the creation of the Townsend-Strawn Pool, comprising the southwest quarter of Section 4, Township 16 South, Range 35 East. This pool was discovered by Ralph E. and J. C. Williamson Harrod, that's H-a-r-r-o-d, State Well Number 1 located in Unit E of Section 4. The well was completed May the 20th, 1973 through perforations from 11,325 feet to 11,535 feet. The pool would be an oil pool and the vertical limits would comprise the Strawn formation.

MR. UTZ: Mr. Nutter, did you say Unit E? THE WITNESS: Unit U.

The next page of the exhibit in this case is identified as 5068(b). It is a copy of the log of the Humble Oil and Refining Company State S Well Number 20, located in Section 2, Township 22 South, Range 37 East, Lea County. On the log of this well, the Tubb marker is identified as being the top of the Tubb at 5121 feet. The vertical limits of the Tubb Pool as presently defined by the Commission extend from the Tubb marker in this type log, being the State S Well Number 20, the vertical limits being from 100 feet above the Tubb marker to 225 feet below the Tubb marker. The top of the Drinkard in this well is identified on the exhibit as being at 7248 feet.

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which is a no man's land. There are wells perforated in this area, some coming from the Tubb formation downward and a few coming from the Drinkard formation upward. I would recommend that the vertical limits of the Tubb Gas Pool be extended from the present lower limit down to the top of the Drinkard formation. This would make the vertical limits of the Tubb Gas Pool be defined as being from 100 feet above the Tubb marker in the key well to the top of the Drinkard formation in the key well. I would further recommend that in order to accommodate certain fuel wells which have perforations coming from the Drinkard formation, from the Drinkard Pool up into the very lowermost portion of the Tubb Gas Pool as it would be redefined. That provision be made and might have approval by the Secretary Director of those wells, the bulk of which perforation and production comes from the Drinkard Pool but extend into the Tubb Pool, that those wells would be made legitimate Drinkard wells although some of the perforation would be in the Tubb Pool. This would be only in the case where the bulk of perforation is in the Drinkard formation. This would be on a well-to-well basis? Yes, sir, well-to-well basis.

This leaves an interval from 6146 feet to 6248 feet

Moving to Paragraph (c) of Case No. 5068.

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an extension of the Bell Lake-Pennsylvanian Gas Pool to include the northwest quarter of Section 6, Township 24 South, Range 34 East. It is shown on the docket in the hearing today.

Paragraph (d) of this exhibit is for the extension of the Querecho Plains-Queen Oil Pool and would include the southwest quarter of Section 23, and the west half of Section 26, Township 18 South, Range 32 East and is as shown on the docket.

Paragraph (e) is for the extension of the Wantz-Granite Wash Pool in Lea County, calling for the extension of the pool to include the northeast quarter of Section 24, Township 22 South, Range 37 East. We would also extend the pool in addition to that which is shown on the docket to include the north half of Section 23 of the same township, to include the John H. Hendrix Cossatot F Well Number 3 located in Unit D of Section 23. This well was completed in the Granite Wash on September 30, 1963 with the top of perforations at 7106.

Do you have anything further to add in your testimony? No, sir.

MR. DERRYBERRY: Mr. Examiner, I move that Commission Exhibits 5068(a), (b), (c), (d) and (e) be entered in this record.

MR. UTZ: Without objection, Exhibits (a) through

(e) will be entered into the record of this case. Questions of the witness?

MR. CHRISTY: May I inquire a question, too, please, sir?

#### CROSS-EXAMINATION

# BY MR. CHRISTY:

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- Mr. Nutter, you mentioned what the present limits of the Tubb Pool are vertically. What were they in May of 1970, or were they the same?
- Yes, sir. They were the same. These limits were established by Order No. R-464, back around 1954 I believe it was. So the vertical limits have been the same for many years.
- I see. Now, by changing the vertical limits of the Tubb Pool, I assume you're not trying to determine legal rights between parties that may own various ownerships within this new Tubb Pool area?
- No, sir. The Commission would not attempt to do that. What we are trying to do is permit the designation of wells that are completed at the present time in this no man's land and permit them to be included in a pool. Now, obviously we can go one of three ways. We can create a new pool in this little limited 100-foot interval or we can extend the Tubb Gas Pool downward or extend the Drinkard Pool upward. If we create a new

well, it's not going to be economically feasible to multiply complete wells with packers and other types of equipment through here. If we go up from the Drinkard formation, gas that's discovered in that interval would be casing head gas in the Drinkard pool. If we go downward from the Tubb Pool, gas that's produced from this interval will be Tubb Gas Pool gas and I believe that it enhances the attractiveness of completing in this area if it is called Tubb Gas Pool gas rather than describing that as something else.

- Q And that's your recommendation to the Commission?
- A Yes, sir.
- Now, I assume that if more than one well is completed in this new sub-pool on the same 160 acres, that they will have some type of shearing of the Tubb Gas?
- A Yes, sir.
- Am I understanding that you mean we may have a well that's completed in the Tubb Pool as presently defined and another well that would be completed in the extension of the Tubb Pool being recommended here today, those would be treated as one well in the Tubb Gas Pool as far as allowable is concerned in sharing the allowable? Yes, sir.

MR. CHRISTY: Thank you very much.

MR. UTZ: Other questions?

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(No response.) MR. UTZ: Witness may be excused. Statements in the case? (No response.) MR. UTZ: No statements, the case will be taken under advisement. -000-

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STATE OF NEW MEXICO ) ss COUNTY OF BERNALILLO

I, CLAUDIA FAHRENTHOLD, a court reporter in and for the County of Bernalillo, State of New Mexico, do hereby certify that the foregoing and attached Transcript of Hearing before the New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission was reported by me; and that the same is a true and correct record of the said proceedings to the best of my knowledge, skill and ability.

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Attention: Mr. Daniel S. Nutter

Re: Case 5068(b)

Gentlemen:

You will remember that the captioned cause was heard September 19, 1973. To date we have not heard as to the outcome, and if and when an order has been issued, we would appreciate receiving a copy.

Respectfully,

JENNINGS, CHRISTY & COPPLE

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

The following cases will be heard before Elvis A. Utz, Examiner, or Richard L. Stamets, Alternate Examiner:

# CASE 4745: (Reopened) (Continued from the August 22, 1973, Examiner Hearing)

In the matter of Case No. 4745 being reopened pursuant to the provisions of Order No. R-4365, which order established special rules and regulations for the Penasco Draw San Andres-Yeso Pool, Eddy County, New Mexico, including a provision for classification of oil wells and gas wells, the spacing thereof, and a limiting gas-oil ratio of 3000 to 1. All interested parties may appear and show cause why said pool rules should remain in effect.

#### CASE 5047: (Continued and Readvertised)

Application of Chace Oil Company for the amendment of Order No. R-4555, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks the amendment of the special rules and regulations for the South Lindrith Gallup-Dakota Pool, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico, as promulgated by Order No. R-4555, to provide for the classification of oil wells and gas wells, the assignment of 320-acre units to gas wells, and to provide for approval of unorthodox locations for wells drilled as oil wells but classified as gas wells upon completion.

- CASE 5063: Application of Shell Oil Company for an unorthodox oil well location, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval of an unorthodox location for its Sanger Well No. 6Y to be located 1220 feet from the North line and 180 feet from the West line of Section 27, Township 18 South, Range 38 East, Hobbs Pool, Lea County, New Mexico.
- CASE 5064: Application of Exxon Corporation for a dual completion, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for the dual completion (conventional) of its South Carlsbad 2 Gas Com. Well No. 1 located in Unit J of Section 27, Township 23 South, Range 26 East, Eddy County, New Mexico, to produce gas from the South Carlsbad-Strawn and South Carlsbad-Morrow Gas Pools through the casing-tubing annulus and tubing, respectively.
- CASE 5065: Application of Roberts, Koch & Cartwright for a unit agreement, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval of the Deer Canyon Unit Area comprising 10,620 acres, more or less, of Federal and State lands in Township 20 South, Range 21 East, Eddy County, New Mexico.

#### CASE 5057: (Continued and readvertised)

Application of Coquina Oil Corporation for an unorthodox location, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks authority to drill a proposed gas well at an unorthodox location 330 feet from the South and East lines of Section 12, Township 18 South, Range 25 East, West Atoka-Morrow Gas Pool, Eddy County, New Mexico, the S/2 of Section 12 to be dedicated to the well. In the alternative, applicant seeks approval of an unorthodox location 660 feet from the South and East lines of said Section 12.

CASE 5066: Application of Burleson & Huff for a non-standard gas proration unit and compulsory pooling, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval of a 160-acre non-standard gas proration unit comprising the NE/4 of Section 29, Township 25 South, Range 37 East, Jalmat Gas Pool, Lea County, New Mexico, to be dedicated to its Coll Well No. 1-A located in Unit G of said Section 29.

Applicant further seeks an order of the Commission pooling all mineral interests in the Jalmat Gas Pool underlying the aforesaid quarter section. Also to be considered will be the cost of recompleting said well and the allocation of such costs, as well as actual operating costs and charges for supervision. Also to be considered is the designation of applicant as operator of the well and a charge for risk involved in recompleting said well.

CASE 5067:

Application of American Quasar Petroleum Co. of New Mexico for a unit agreement, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval of the Dune Unit Area comprising 2,576 acres, more or less, of Federal and Fee lands in Townshir 23 South, Range 31 East, and Township 24 South, Ranges 30 and 31 East, Lea County, New Mexico.

CASE 5068:

Southeastern nomenclature case calling for the creation and extension of the vertical and horizontal limits of certain pools in Lea County, New Mexico:

(a) Create a new pool in Lea County, New Mexico, classified as an oil pool for Strawn production and designated as the Townsend-Strawn Pool, with special vertical limits defined as being the Strawn formation from 11,325 feet to 11,535 feet as on the log of the discovery well, the Ralph E. & J. C. Williamson Harrod State No. 1 in Unit U of Section 4, Township 16 South, Range 35 East, NMPM. Said pool would comprise:

TOWNSHIP 16 SOUTH, RANGE 35 EAST, NMPM Section 4: SW/4

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(b) Extend the vertical limits of the Tubb Gas Pool in Lea County, New Mexico, as established by Rule 25 of the Special Rules for said pool as promulgated by Order No. R-1670, downward to include the entire interval from 100 feet above the Tubb marker to the top of the

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Drinkard formation, in order to eliminate the zone of no-nomenclature which exists between the Tubb and Drinkard Pools.

(c) Extend the Bell Lake-Pennsylvanian Gas Pool in Lea County, New Mexico, to include therein:

TOWNSHIP 24 SOUTH, RANGE 34 EAST, NMPM Section 6: NW/4

(d) Extend the Querecho Plains-Queen Pool in Lea County, New Mexico, to include therein:

> TOWNSHIP 18 SOUTH, RANGE 32 EAST, NMPM Section 23: SW/4

Section 26: W/2

(e) Extend the Wantz-Granite Wash Pool in Lea County, New Mexico, to include therein:

TOWNSHIP 22 SOUTH, RANGE 37 EAST, NMPM Section 24: NE/4.

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# BEFORE THE OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO

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

CASE NO. 5068 Order No. R-4635

THE APPLICATION OF THE OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION UPON ITS OWN MOTION FOR AN ORDER CREATING AND EXTENDING VERTICAL AND HORIZONTAL LIMITS OF CERTAIN POOLS IN LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

#### ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

#### BY THE COMMISSION:

This cause came on for hearing at 9:00 a.m. on September 19, 1973, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner Elvis A. Utz.

NOW, on this 28th day of September, 1973, the Commission, a quorum being present, having considered the testimony, the record, and the recommendations of the Examiner, 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 there is need for the creation of a new oil pool in Lea County, New Mexico, for the production of oil from the Strawn formation, said pool to bear the designation of Townsend-Strawn Pool. Said Townsend-Strawn Pool was discovered by the Ralph E. & J. C. Williamson Harrod State No. 1, located in Unit U of Section 4, Township 16 South, Range 35 East, NMPM. It was completed in the Strawn formation on May 20, 1973. The top of the perforations is at 11,335 feet.
- (3) That there is need for the downward extension of the vertical limits of the Tubb Gas Pool in Lea County, New Mexico, as established by Rule 25 of the Special Rules for said pool as promulgated by Order No. R-1670, to the top of the Drinkard formation; that an administrative procedure should be adopted whereby Drinkard wells with short intervals of perforations in the Tubb Gas Pool, as extended, may be approved.
- (4) That there is need for certain extensions to the Bell Lake-Pennsylvanian Gas Pool, the Querecho Plains-Queen Pool, and the Wantz-Granite Wash Pool, all in Lea County, New Mexico.

Case No. 5068 Order No. R-4635

#### IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

(a) That a new pool in Lea County, New Mexico, classified as an oil pool for Strawn production, is hereby created and designated as the Townsend-Strawn Pool, consisting of the following described area:

# TOWNSHIP 16 SOUTH, RANGE 35 EAST, NMPM Section 4: SW/4

- (b) That Rule 25 of the Special Rules for the Tubb Gas Pool as promulgated by Order No. R-1670 is hereby amended to read in its entirety as follows:
  - The vertical limits of the Tubb Gas Pool "RULE 25. shall extend from a point 100 feet above the "Tubb Marker," said marker being found at a depth of 5921 feet (Elev. 3380' Subsea Datum, -2541') on the log of the Humble Oil & Refining Company State "S" Well No. 20, located in Unit E of Section 2, Township 22 South, Range 37 East, NMPM, to the top of the Drinkard formation, said top being found at a depth of 6250 feet on said log. Provided however, that the District Supervisor of the Hobbs office of the Commission shall have authority to grant a letter of approval for any well completed in the Drinkard Pool, the majority of perforations of which are in the Drinkard formation below said depth of 6250 feet, if a short interval of perforations (not more than 35 feet) in said well extends upward from the Drinkard Pool into the lowermost portion of the Tubb Gas Pool as defined herein. To obtain such letter of approval, the operator of a well so completed in both the Drinkard and lowermost Tubb Pools shall request same in writing, describing the perforated interval(s), the circumstances surrounding such completion, and the approximate productivity of the various major perforated intervals. A copy of the request shall be furnished to offset operators to the subject well. The District Supervisor, in the absence of objection and if he deems same prudent, may issue the letter of approval. Otherwise, the matter will be set for having if the applicant so requests."
- (c) That the Bell Lake-Pennsylvanian Gas Pool in Lea County, New Mexico, as heretofore classified, defined, and described, is hereby extended to include therein:

TOWNSHIP 24 SOUTH, RANGE 34 EAST, NMPM Section 6: NW/4

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(d) That the Querecho Plains-Queen Pool in Lea County, New Mexico, as heretofore classified, defined, and described, is hereby extended to include therein:

TOWNSHIP 18 SOUTH, RANGE 32 EAST, NMPM Section 23: SW/4 Section 26: W/2

(e) That the Wantz-Granite Wash Pool in Lea County, New Mexico, as heretofore classified, defined, and described, is hereby extended to include therein:

TOWNSHIP 22 SOUTH, RANGE 37 EAST, NMPM Section 23: N/2 Section 24: NE/4

#### IT IS FURTHER ORDERED:

- (1) That, pursuant to Section 65-3-14.5, NMSA 1953, contained in Chapter 271, Laws of 1969, any well which, by virtue of any of the above pool extensions, is subject to pool rules providing for spacing or proration units larger than the one which is presently dedicated thereto, shall have 60 days from the effective date of this order in which to file new Forms C-102 dedicating a standard unit for the pool to said well, or to obtain a non-standard unit approved by the Commission. Pending such ompliance, the well shall receive a maximum allowable in the same proportion to a standard allowable for the pool that the acreage dedicated to the well bears to a standard unit for the pool. Failure to file Forms C-102 dedicating a standard unit to the well or to obtain a non-standard unit approved by the Commission within said 60-day period shall subject the well to cancellation of allowable.
- (2) That the effective date of this order and all creations and extensions of vertical and horizontal limits included herein shall be October 1, 1973.

DONE at Santa Fe, New Mexico, on the day and year hereinabove designated.

> STATE OF NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

I.R. TRUJILLO, Chairman

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

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In the matter of the application of the Oil Conservation Commission of New Mexico upon its own motion for an order for the creation of a new pool in Lea County, New Mexico, and the extension of vertical and horizontal limits of certain existing pools in Lea County, New Mexico, and giving notice to all persons and parties interested in the subject matter thereof to appear and show cause why such creations and extensions should not be made.

a) CREATE A new pool in Lea County, New Mexico, classified as an oil pool for Strawn production and designated as the Townsend-Strawn Pool, with special vertical limits defined as being the Strawn formation from 11,325 feet to 11,535 feet as snow the log Raiph E. & J. C. Williamson Harrod State No. 1 in Unit U of Section 4, Township 16 South, Range 35 East, NMPM. The discovery well is Ralph E. & J. C. Williamson, Harrod State No. 1 located in Unit U of Section 4, Township 16 South, Range 35 East, NMPM. Said pool described as Local Comprise:

/ TOWNSHIP 16 SOUTH, RANGE 35 EAST, NMPM SECTION 4: SW/4

b) EXTEND the vertical limits of the Tubb Gas Pool in Lea County, New Mexico, to include the entire interval from 100 feet above the Tubb marker to the top of the Drinkard formation, in order to eliminate the zone of no-nomenclature which exists between the Tubb and Drinkard Pools.

c) EXTEND the Bell Lake-Pennsylvanian Gas Pool in Lea County, New Mexico, to include therein:

TOWNSHIP 24 SOUTH, RANGE 34 EAST, NMPM SECTION 6: NW/4

d) EXTEND the Querecho Plains-Queen Pool in Lea County, New Mexico, to include therein:

TOWNSHIP 18 SOUTH, RANGE 32 EAST, NMPM SECTION 23: SW/4 SECTION 26: W/2

e) EXTEND the Wantz-Granite Wash Pool in Lea County, New Mexico, to include therein:

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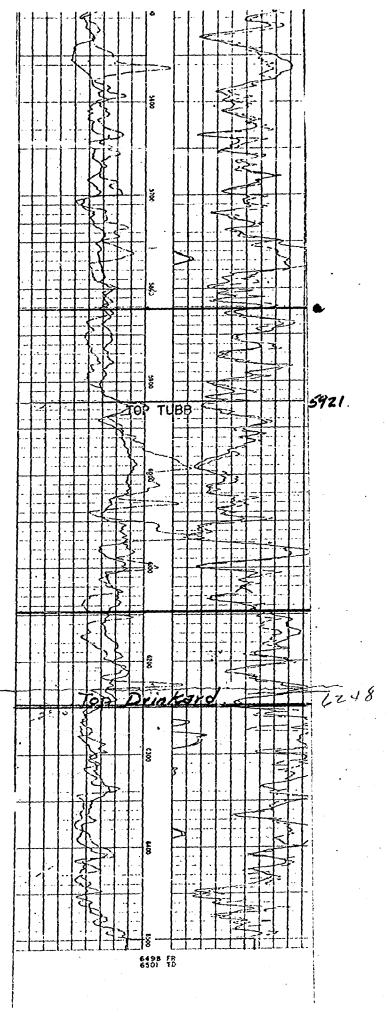
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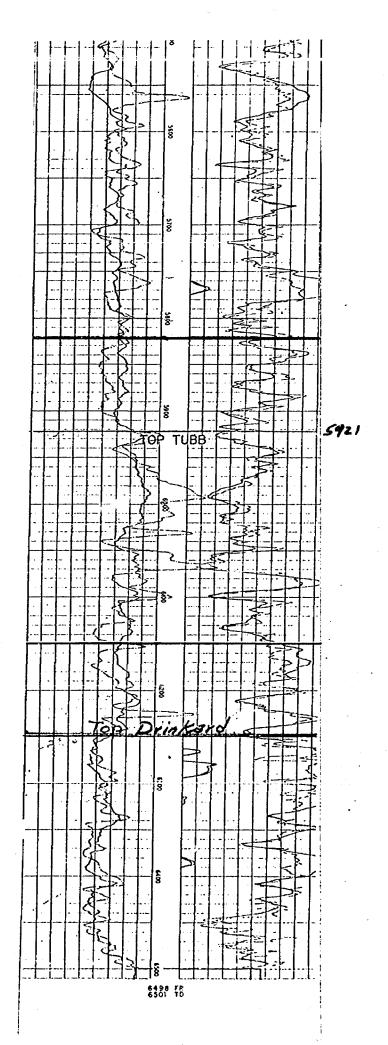
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# BEFORE THE OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO

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

> CASE NO. 5068 Order No. 8×4635

THE APPLICATION OF THE OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION UPON ITS OWN MOTION FOR AN ORDER CREATING AND EXTENDING VERTICAL AND HORIZONTAL LIMITS OF CERTAIN POOLS IN LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

#### ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

#### BY THE COMMISSION:

This cause came on for hearing at 9:00 a.m. on September 19, 1973, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner Elvis A. Utz.

NOW, on this 28th day of September, 1973, the Commission, a quorum being present, having considered the testimony, the record, and the recommendations of the Examiner, 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 there is need for the creation of a new oil pool in Lea County, New Mexico, for the production of oil from the Strawn formation, said pool to bear the designation of Townsend-Strawn Pool. Said Townsend-Strawn Pool was discovered by the Ralph E. & J. C. Williamson Harrod State No. 1, located in Unit U of Section 4, Township 16 South, Range 35 East, NMPM. It was completed in the Strawn formation on May 20, 1973. The top of the perforations is at 11,335 feet.
- (3) That there is need for the downward extension of the vertical limits of the Tubb Gas Pool in Lea County, New Mexico, as established by Rule 25 of the Special Rules for said pool as promulgated by Order No. R-1670, to the top of the Drinkard formation; that an administrative procedure should be adopted whereby Drinkard wells with short intervals of perforations in the Tubb Gas Fool, as extended, may be approved.
- (4) That there is need for certain extensions to the Bell Lake-Pennsylvanian Gas Pool, the Querecho Plains-Queen Pool, and the Wantz-Granite Wash Pool, all in Lea County, New Mexico.

Drinkard formation, in order to eliminate the zone of no-nomenclature which exists between the Tubb and Drinkard Pools.

(c) Extend the Bell Lake-Pennsylvanian Gas Pool in Lea County, New Mexico, to include therein:

TOWNSHIP 24 SOUTH, RANGE 34 EAST, NMPM Section 6: NW/4

(d) Extend the Querecho Plains-Queen Pool in Lea County, New Mexico, to include therein:

TOWNSHIP 18 SOUTH, RANGE 32 EAST, NMPM Section 23: SW/4
Section 26: W/2

(e) Extend the Wantz-Granite Wash Pool in Lea County, New Mexico, to include therein:

TOWNSHIP 22 SOUTH, RANGE 37 EAST, NMPM Section 24: NE/4
ADDITION----SECTION 23: N/2

CASE 5068: Southeastern nomenclature case calling for the creation and extension of the vertical and horizontal limits of certain pools in Lea County, New Mexico:

(a) Create a new pool in Lea County, New Mexico, classified as an oil pool for Strawn production and designated as the Townsend-Strawn Pool, with special vertical limits defined as being the Strawn formation from 11,325 feet to 11,535 feet as on the log of the discovery well, the Ralph E. & J. C. Williamson Harrod State No. 1 in Unit U of Section 4, Township 16 South, Range 35 East, NMPM. Said pool would comprise:

TOWNSHIP 16 SOUTH, RANGE 35 EAST, NMPM Section 4: SW/4

(b) Extend the vertical limits of the Tubb Gas Pool in Lea County, New Mexico, as established by Rule 25 of the Special Rules for said pool as promulgated by Order No. R-1670, downward to include the entire interval from 100 feet above the Tubb marker to the top of the

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# IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

(a) That a new pool in Lea County, New Mexico, classified as an oil pool for Strawn production, is hereby created and designated as the Townsend-Strawn Pool, consisting of the following described area:

# TOWNSHIP 16 SOUTH, RANGE 35 EAST, NMPM Section 4: SW/4

(b) That Rule 25 of the Special Rules for the Tubb Gas Pool as promulgated by Order No. R-1670 is hereby amended to read in its entirety as follows:

"RULE 25. The vertical limits of the Tubb Gas Pool shall extend from a point 100 feet above the "Tubb Marker," said marker being found at a depth of 5921 feet (Elev. 3380, Subsea Datum 7-2541) on the log of the Humble Oil & Refining Company State "S" Well No. 20, located in Unit E of Section 2, Township 22 South, Range 37 East, NMPM, to the top of the Drinkard formation, said top being found at a depth of 6250 feet on said log. Provided however, that the District Supervisor of the Hobbs office of the Commission shall have authority to grant a letter of approval for any well completed in the Drinkard Pool, the majority of perforations of which are in the Drinkard formation below said depth of 6250 feet, if a short interval of perforations (not more than 35 feet) in said well extends upward from the Drinkard Pool into the lower most portion of the Tubb Gas Pool as defined herein. To obtain such letter of approval, the operator of a well so completed in both the Drinkard and lowermost Tubb Pools shall request same in writing, describing the perforated interval(s), the circumstances surrounding such completion, and the approximate productivity of the various major perforated intervals. A copy of the request shall be furnished to offset operators to the subject well. The District Supervisor, in the absence of objection and if he deems same prudent, may issue the letter of approval. Otherwise, the matter will be set for hearing if the applicant so requests.'

(c) That the Bell Lake-Pennsylvanian Gas Pool in Lea County, New Mexico, as heretofore classified, defined, and described, is hereby extended to include therein:

# TOWNSHIP 24 SOUTH, RANGE 34 EAST, NMPM Section 6: NW/4

(d) That the Querecho Plains-Queen Pool in Lea County, New Mexico, as heretofore classified, defined, and described, is hereby extended to include therein:

# TOWNSHIP 18 SOUTH, RANGE 32 EAST, NMPM Section 23: SW/4 Section 26: W/2

(e) That the Wantz-Granite Wash Pool in Lea County, New Moxico, as heretofore classified, defined, and described, is hereby extended to include therein:

TOWNSHIP 22 SOUTH, RANGE 37 EAST, NMPM Section 23: N/2 Section 24: NE/4



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- (1) That, pursuant to Section 65-3-14.5, NMSA 1953, contained in Chapter 271, Laws of 1969, any well which, by virtue of any of the above pool extensions, is subject to pool rules providing for spacing or proration units larger than the one which is presently dedicated thereto, shall have 60 days from the effective date of this order in which to file new Forms C-102 dedicating a standard unit for the pool to said well, or to obtain a nonstandard unit approved by the Commission. Pending such compliance, the well shall receive a maximum allowable in the same proportion to a standard allowable for the pool that the acreage dedicated to the well bears to a standard unit for the pool. Failure to file Forms C-102 dedicating a standard unit to the well or to obtain a non-standard unit approved by the Commission within said 60-day period shall subject the well to cancellation of allowable.
- (2) That the effective date of this order and all creations and extensions of vertical and horizontal limits included herein shall be October 1, 1973.

DONE at Santa Fe, New Mexico, on the day and year hereinabove designated.

> STATE OF NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

IR, TRUILLO, Chairman

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CASE 5069. Application of SUN OII COMPANY FOR A DUAL COMPLETION, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

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