CASE 5518: ANADARKO PRODUCTION CO. FOR TWO WATERFLOOD PROJECTS AND AN ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURE, EDDY COUNTY

# CASE NO.

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BEFORE THE
NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION
Santa Fe, New Mexico
July 2, 1975

#### EXAMINER HEARING

IN THE MATTER OF:

Application of Anadarko Production Company for two waterflood projects and an administrative procedure, Eddy County, New Mexico.

CASE NO. 5518

BEFORE: Richard L. Stamets, Examiner

TRANSCRIPT OF HEARING

#### APPEARANCES

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MR. STAMETS: Case 5518.

MR. DERRYBERRY: Case 5518. Application of Anadarko Production Company for two waterflood projects and an administrative procedure, Eddy County, New Mexico.

MR. KELLAHIN: Tom Kellahin of Kellahin and Fox, appearing on behalf of the Applicant. I have one witness to be sworn.

(Witness sworn.)

#### DANIEL G. KERNAGHAN

called as a witness, having been first duly sworn, was examined and testified as follows:

#### DIRECT EXAMINATION

BY MR. KELLAHIN:

Q Please state your name, by whom you are employed and in what capacity?

A My name is Dan Kernaghan. I am employed by
Anadarko Production Company as Division Evaluation Engineer.

Q Mr. Kernaghan, have you made a study of and are you familiar with the facts surrounding this Application?

A Yes, I am.

Q Have you previously testified before the Commission and had your qualifications accepted and made a matter of record?

A Yes, I have.

MR. KELLAHIN: We tender the witness as an expert.

MR. STAMETS: He is considered qualified.

#### BY MR. KELLAHIN:

Q Would you please refer to what has been marked as Exhibit No. 1, identify it and state what Anadarko seeks?

A Exhibit No. 1 is an area around our Grier Flood and includes a portion of Township 16 South, 31 East and 16 South, 30 East. It shows the various projects that we now have and the two injection wells that we are requesting that are circled in blue.

Q Please refer to Exhibit 2 and identify it?

A Exhibit No. 2 is also a plat of this area. It just shows a little more detail as to the injection wells in the area. Likewise, our projects here are circled in brown. This was covered by Order R-2977, and the green and pink were covered by Order 3677. The green one is our Square Lake Grier No. 1 Project, and the pink one is our Grier Waterflood Project. The yellow acreage is the acreage covered by the new project that we are requesting here, the extension of those we are requesting.

Q Locate again, would you for me, please, the wells

you intend to convert to water injection?

A The Paxter Federal A No. 1 which is location "0" of Section 20, and Anadarko's Federal A No. 3 which is location "M" of Section 21, both in 16, 31.

- Q Please refer to Exhibit No. 3 and identify it?
- A Exhibit No. 3 is the schematic diagram of our proposed injection-well completion, the Baxter Federal  $\Lambda$  No. 1 and our Federal A No. 3.
  - Q Please refer to Exhibit No. 4 and identify it?
- A Exhibit 4 is a copy of the pay section from the available logs on the two injection wells.
- Q Now, with reference to this Kennedy Federal No. 1
  Well, was that the subject of a previous Order of the
  Commission authorizing the injection?

A Yes, it was. Commission Order R-2920 back in 1965 authorized the project for Kennedy Oil Company which included this well. They required that this well be converted to injection within 90 days after response was seen. The well was never converted, and about two years ago we purchased it. It was non-producing at the time. We purchased it with the intention of making it an injection well at a later date.

Q That is why it is included as part of the subject

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matter of this Application?

A That's right. We couldn't determine if the conditions had been met or not.

Q Please continue and refer to what has been marked as Exhibit No. 5?

A Exhibit No. 5 is a plot of the annual and monthly production from the three wells covering this project. It shows that the wells are very substantially declining in production. In fact, the only one that is now producing is the Baxter A Federal No. 2, which is the well that we will leave as producing.

Q In your opinion, these wells have reached the stripper stage where now is an appropriate time in which to convert them to water injection?

A Yes, they have and it is. This area has been under waterflood for quite some time.

Q Please refer to Exhibit 6 and identify it?

A Exhibit 6 is the tabulated information that is presented graphically in the previous exhibit. It shows the monthly production from these wells back several years back and the annual production before that. The top sheet lists only the Baxter A Federal Lease. All of that production is from the No. 2 Well.

- Q What would be the source of your injection water?
- A Our injection water is obtained from our wood. It is fresh water from the Ogalala Formation. We would merely extend the pressure line and use the present plant that we already have in operation.
- Q They are supplying you injection water under your existing waterflood project?
  - A This is correct.
- Q And this would be an extension of that contract to provide water for the new areas?
- A Yes. As far as I know, it wouldn't even take an extension on the contract.
- Q What volumes of pressures do you anticipate for injection?
- A We anticipate injecting 150 to 200 barrels a day at a surface pressure of 2600 pounds.
  - Q What was the pressure?
  - A 2600 pounds.
- Q Are those volumes of pressures consistent with the existing waterflood projects?
  - A Yes, they are.
- Q Why have you sought to combine the three water-flooded areas into one project?

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A To leave us with more flexibility in administering and reporting these projects. We don't anticipate much further expansion of them, but in the event we do wish to change things around in the future, we would like this flexibility.

Q It will simplify your operating, reporting and control of the waterflood project?

A Yes.

Q Do you also seek permission within the Order to allow you administrative procedures whereby you may convert other producing or non-producing wells to injection or from injection to production without setting this for hearing?

A Yes, we do.

Q And without requirement that such wells shall have shown a response to water injection?

A Yes, we do.

Q Do you have anything else you would like to add?

A No. I believe that is all.

Q Is there any potential contamination to fresh water in the area, Mr. Kernaghan?

A To my knowledge, there are no fresh-water sands in that area.

Q Were Exhibits 1 through 6 either prepared by you

directly or were they compiled under your direction and supervision?

- A Yes, they were.
- Q In your opinion, will the granting of this
  Application be in the best interest of conservation and
  prevention of waste and the protection of correlative rights?
  - A Yes, in my opinion, it would be.

MR. KELLAHIN: If the Examiner please, we move the introduction of Exhibits 1 through 6.

MR. STAMETS: These exhibits will be admitted into evidence.

(Whereupon, Applicant's Exhibits Nos. 1 through 6 were marked for identification, and were offered and admitted into evidence.)

MR. KELLAHIN: That concludes our examination.

#### CROSS EXAMINATION

#### BY MR. STAMEIS:

- Q Mr. Kernaghan, referring to Exhibit No. 1, you have three isolated areas which you wish to consolidate and administer as single flood, is that correct?
  - A Yes, that's correct.
- Q Do you know of any other case where the Commission has made one flood out of isolated areas?

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A I believe Numont's operations are possibly consolidated.

(Whereupon, a discussion was held off the record.)

A In answer to your question, Numont Oil Company, under Order No. R-2664 received administrative procedure to govern their property in this area which are pretty extensive. I don't have them plotted on the map and I can't say whether any of these are non-contiguous or not, but they do cover Sections 28, 29, 32, 33, 34 in this township and range. They are spread out there quite a bit.

Q Are any of the wells inside the project areas, top allowable at the present time?

A No, sir, they are not.

Q Do you anticipate that that No. 2 Well on the Baxter A Lease would become a top-allowable well?

A I don't anticipate it. This is a very very tight Grayburg Formation in this area, San Andres, and these floods have not responded with high peak rates. They have responded slowly over a good many years and fallen off over several years. Our best well is making 39 barrels a day now and I wouldn't anticipate the Baxter A Federal No. 2 would reach anywhere near top-allowable rate.

Q Mr. Kernaghan, are your field people instructed to advise the appropriate Commission District Office of any leakage of water from any injection wells or producing wells or dry holes?

A Yes, they are. We have either a guage or method of determining leakage on all of our injection wells and those are watched regularly.

Q Each of the proposed injection wells would have injection through tubing under packer and the annulus would be loaded and some sort of leak-detection device would be installed?

A Yes. It would be loaded with a corrosion inhibiting fluid.

Q Does this 2600-pound pressure give you any problem with channeling behind the pipe or formation problem?

A To my knowledge, there has been no problem in this area. This is probably the highest pressure that any of our projects operate under, but this has been a fact of life for several years now. To my knowledge, we have had no problem in this area with channeling.

Q Just one more question: What you are asking for is an administrative procedure, just a typical

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administrative procedure that appears in many Commission Orders?

A Yes.

MR. STAMETS: If there is nothing further, the witness may be excused.

(Witness dismissed.)

MR. STAMETS: Is there anything further in this case? We will take the case under advisement.

STATE OF NEW MEXICO )
) SS.
COUNTY OF SANTA FE )

I, RICHARD L. NYE, Court Reporter, do hereby certify that the foregoing and attached Transcript of Hearing before the New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission was reported by me, and the same is a true and correct record of the said proceedings, to the best of my knowledge, skill and ability.

COURT REPORTER

I do hereby certify that the foregoing is a complete record of the proceedings in the Examiner hearing of Case No. 5578.

New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission

### OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

STATE OF NEW MEXICO
P. O. BOX 2088 - SANTA FE
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July 23, 1975

Mr. Tom Kellahin

Re: CASE NO. 5518 ORDER NO. R-5065

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anta Fe, New Mexico	Anadarko Production Comp
Dear Sir:	
Enclosed herewith are two co Commission order recently en	pies of the above-referenced tered in the subject case.
Yours very truly, JOE D. RAMEY Secretary-Director	
JDR/fd	
Copy of order also sent to:	
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## 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. 5518 Order No. R-5065

APPLICATION OF ANADARKO PRODUCTION COMPANY FOR WATERFLOOD PROJECT CONSOLIDATION, WATERFLOOD EXPANSION, AND AN ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURE, EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

#### ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

#### BY THE COMMISSION:

This cause came on for hearing at 9 a.m. on July 2, 1975, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner Richard L. Stamets.

NOW, on this 22nd day of July, 1975, 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 the applicant, Anadarko Production Company, is the operator and successor in interest to those certain waterflood projects and waterflood buffer zones heretofore approved by the Commission, as follows:
  - (a) The Anadarko Square Lake Etz Waterflood project.
  - (b) The Anadarko Square Lake Grier No. 2 Waterflood project.

Both of which were approved by Commission Order No. R-3677, dated February 13, 1969.

(c) The Kennedy Oil Company Square Lake Waterflood project, approved by Commission Order No. R-2920, dated June 8, 1965.

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- (d) The Cima Capitan, Inc., et al., cooperative waterflood project in the Square Lake Pool, approved by Order No. R-2977, dated October 7, 1965, in which project applicant has succeeded to the interests of Western Oil Fields, Inc., and Cima Capitan, Inc.
- (3) That for convenience of operation, reporting, and control of said projects, they should be consolidated into a single project.
- (4) That the applicant seeks to expand said project by the injection of water into the Grayburg and San Andres formations through its Baxter "A" Federal Well No. 1 in Unit O of Section 20 and its Federal "A" Well No. 3 in Unit M of Section 21, both located in Township 16 South, Range 31 East, NMPM, Square Lake Pool, Eddy County, New Mexico.
- (5) That the proposed waterflood project consolidation and expansion should result in the recovery of otherwise unrecoverable oil, thereby preventing waste.
- (6) That the operator should take all steps necessary to ensure that the injected water enters only the proposed injection interval and is not permitted to escape to other formations or onto the surface from injection, production, or plugged and abandoned wells.
- (7) That an administrative procedure should be established whereby additional injection and producing wells at orthodox and unorthodox locations in the project area may be approved without notice and hearing.
- (8) That the subject application should be approved and the project should be governed by the provisions of Rules 701, 702, and 703 of the Commission Rules and Regulations.

#### IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

- (1) That the applicant is hereby authorized to consolidate for purposes of operation and reporting those certain water-flood projects and waterflood buffer zones heretofore approved by the Commission, as follows:
  - (a) The Anadarko Square Lake Etz Waterflood project;
  - (b) The Anadarko Square Lake Grier No. 2 Waterflood project;
  - (c) The Kennedy Oil Company Square Lake Waterflood project; and

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- (d) The Cima Capitan, Inc., et al., cooperative waterflood project in the Square Lake Pool;
- all in Eddy County, New Mexico.
- (2) That the resultant consolidated waterflood project is hereby designated the Anadarko Consolidated Square Lake Waterflood Project and shall be governed by the provisions of Rules 701, 702, and 703 of the Commission Rules and Regulations.
- (3) That the applicant is hereby authorized to expand said Consolidated Square Lake Waterflood Project in the Square Lake Pool by the injection of water into the Grayburg and San Andres formations through the following-described wells in Township 16 South, Range 31 East, NMPM, Eddy County, New Mexico:

LEASE NAME	WELL NO.	UNIT	SECTION
Baxter "A"	1	0	20
Federal "A"	3	M	21

- (4) That injection into each of said wells shall be through internally coated tubing, set in a packer which shall be located as near as practicable to the uppermost perforation; that the casing-tubing annulus of each injection well shall be loaded with an inert fluid and equipped with an approved pressure gauge or attention-attracting leak detection device.
- (5) That the operator shall immediately notify the supervisor of the Commission's Artesia district office of the failure of the tubing or packer in any injection well, the leakage of water of oil from around any producing well, or the leakage of water or oil from any plugged and abandoned well within the project area and shall take such timely steps as may be necessary or required to correct such failure or leakage.
- authorized to approve such additional producing wells and injection wells at orthodox and unorthodox locations within the boundaries of the Anadarko Consolidated Square Lake Water-flood Project area as may be necessary to complete an efficient production and injection pattern, provided said wells are drilled no closer than 330 feet to any lease line nor closer than 10 feet to any quarter-quarter section or subdivision inner boundary. To obtain such approval, the project operator shall file proper application with the Commission, which application, if it seeks authorization to convert additional wells to injection or to drill additional production or injection wells shall include the following:

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- (a) A plat showing the location of proposed well, all wells within the project area, and offset operators, locating wells which offset the project area.
- (b) A schematic drawing of the proposed well which fully describes the casing, tubing, perforated interval, and depth.
- (c) A letter stating that all offset operators to the proposed well have been furnished a complete copy of the application and the date of notification.

The Secretary-Director may approve the proposed well if, within 20 days after receiving the application, no objection to the proposal is received. The Secretary-Director may grant immediate approval, provided waivers of objection are received from all offset operators.

- (7) That monthly progress reports of the waterflood project herein authorized shall be submitted to the Commission in accordance with Rules 704 and 1120 of the Commission Rules and Regulations.
- (8) That jurisdiction of this cause is retained for the entry of such further orders as the Commission may deem necessary.

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

SEAL

STATE OF NEW MEXICO
OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

HIL R. LUCERO, Member

JOE D. RAMEY, Member & Secretary



#### BEFORE THE

#### OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION OF NEW MEXICO

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF ANADARKO PRODUCTION COMPANY FOR WATER INJECTION SQUARE LAKE POOL, EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

#### APPLICATION

COMES NOW ANADARKO PRODUCTION COMPANY and applies to the Oil Conservation Commission of New Mexico for approval of water injection in the Grayburg-San Andres formations, Square Lake Pool, Eddy County, New Mexico, and in support thereof would show the Commission:

- 1. Applicant is the operator and successor in interest to those certain waterflood projects and waterflood buffer zones heretofore approved by the Commission, as follows:
  - a. The Anadarko Square Lake Etz Waterflood project.
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Both of which were approved by Commission Order No. R-3677, dated February 13, 1969.

- c. The Kennedy Oil Company Square Lake waterflood project, approved by Commission Order No. R-2920, dated June 8, 1965.
- d. The Cima Capitan, Inc., et al., cooperative water-flood project in the Square Lake Pool, approved by Order No. R-2977, dated October 7, 1965, in which project applicant has succeeded to the interests of Western Oil Fields, Inc., and Cima Capitan, Inc.
- 2. Applicant proposes to convert its Anadarko Kennedy
  No. 1 well, formerly the Kennedy Oil Company DOB A Well No. 3,

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Date 6/18/75

located in Unit M of Section 21, Township 16 South, Range 31 East, N.M.P.M., Eddy County, New Mexico. Approval of conversion of this well to injection was granted by Commission Order No. R-2920, entered June 8, 1965, but with a provision that if injection was not commenced within 90 days after any well in the project area has received a positive stimulation from the offsetting water flood, the order would automatically terminate. Applicant is unable to determine if this order is still valid.

- 3. Applicant proposes to convert its Baxter "A"

  Federal No. 1 well, located in Unit O of Section 20,

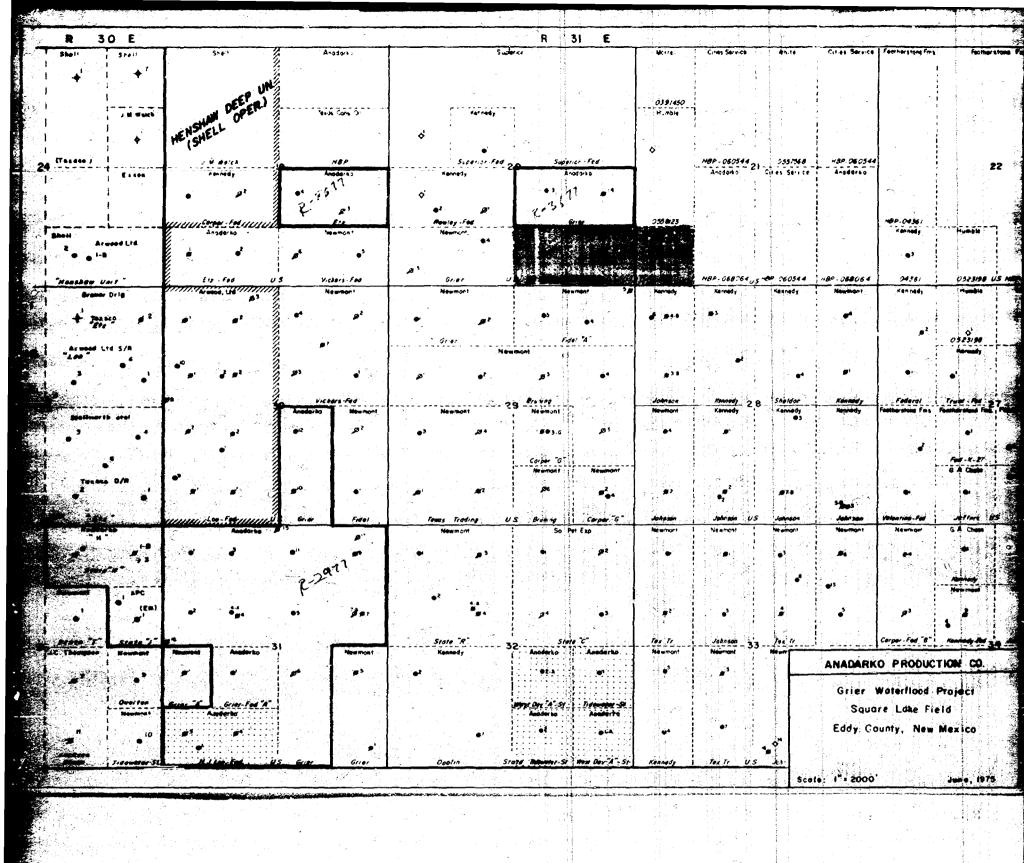
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  to injection.
- 4. Applicant further seeks approval of an administrative proceedure for the conversion of other producing wells or non-producing wells to injection, and from injection to production, without the requirement that such well shall have had a response to water injection.
- 5. Attached hereto is a plat showing the waterflood projects operated by applicant, showing existing injection wells, both on applicant's properties and offsetting applicant.
- 6. Applicant proposes to combine all of its developed acreage in Sections 19, 20, 21, 30 and 31, Township 16
  South, Range 31 East, N.M.P.M., into one single project for convenience of operating, reporting and control of the waterflood projects.

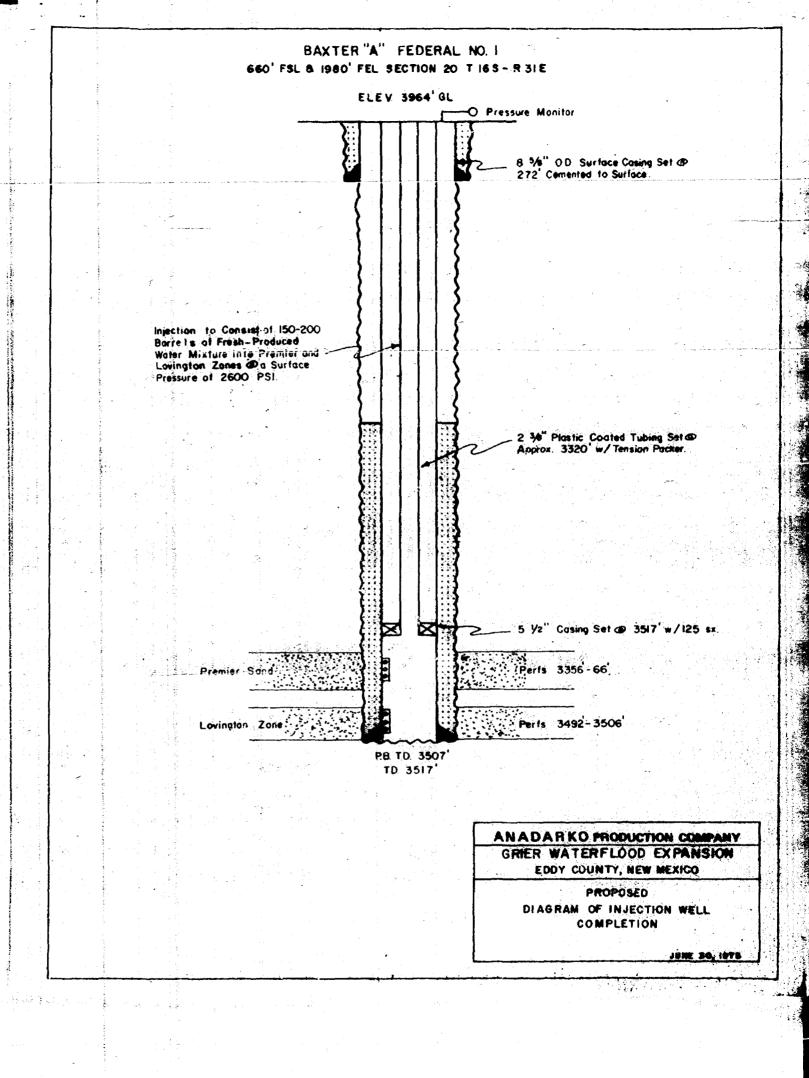
WHEREFORE, applicant prays that this application be set for hearing before the Commission or the Commission's duly appointed examiner, and that after notice and hearing as required by law the Commission enter its order consolidating the waterflood projects into one project, and approve water injection and an administrative procedure for further operation of the projects, as proposed.

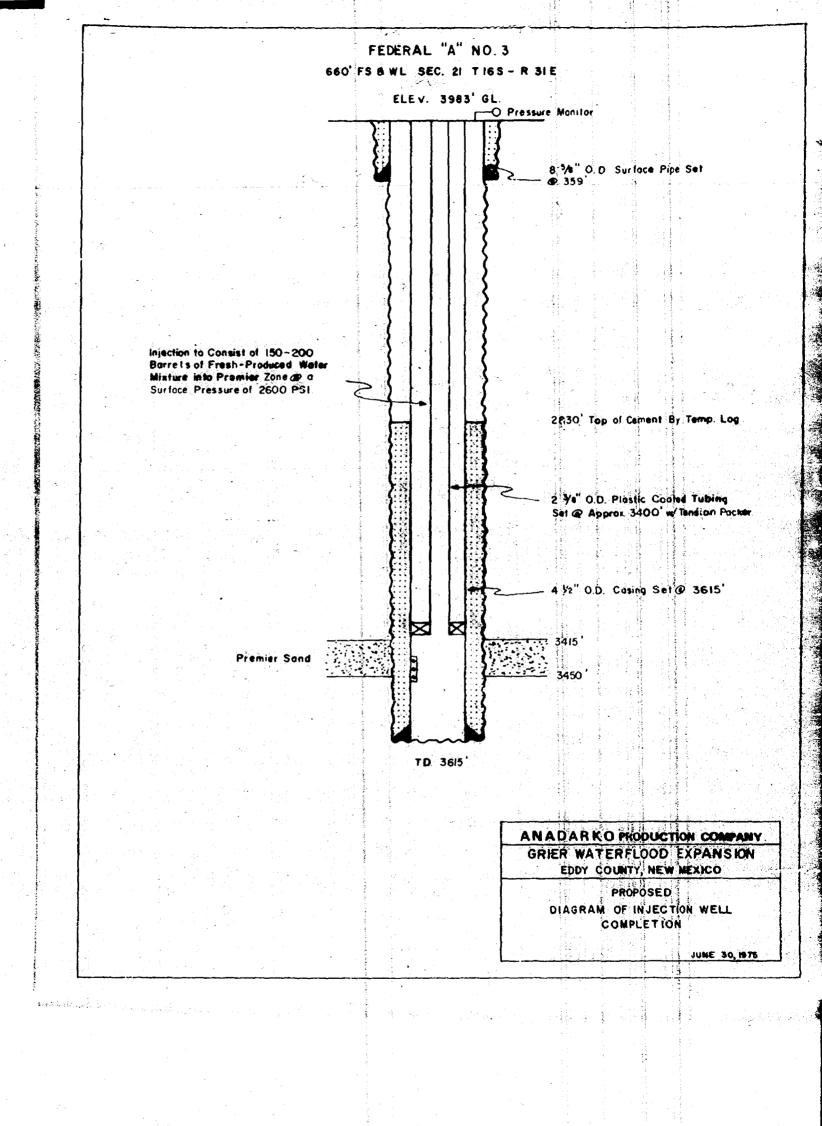
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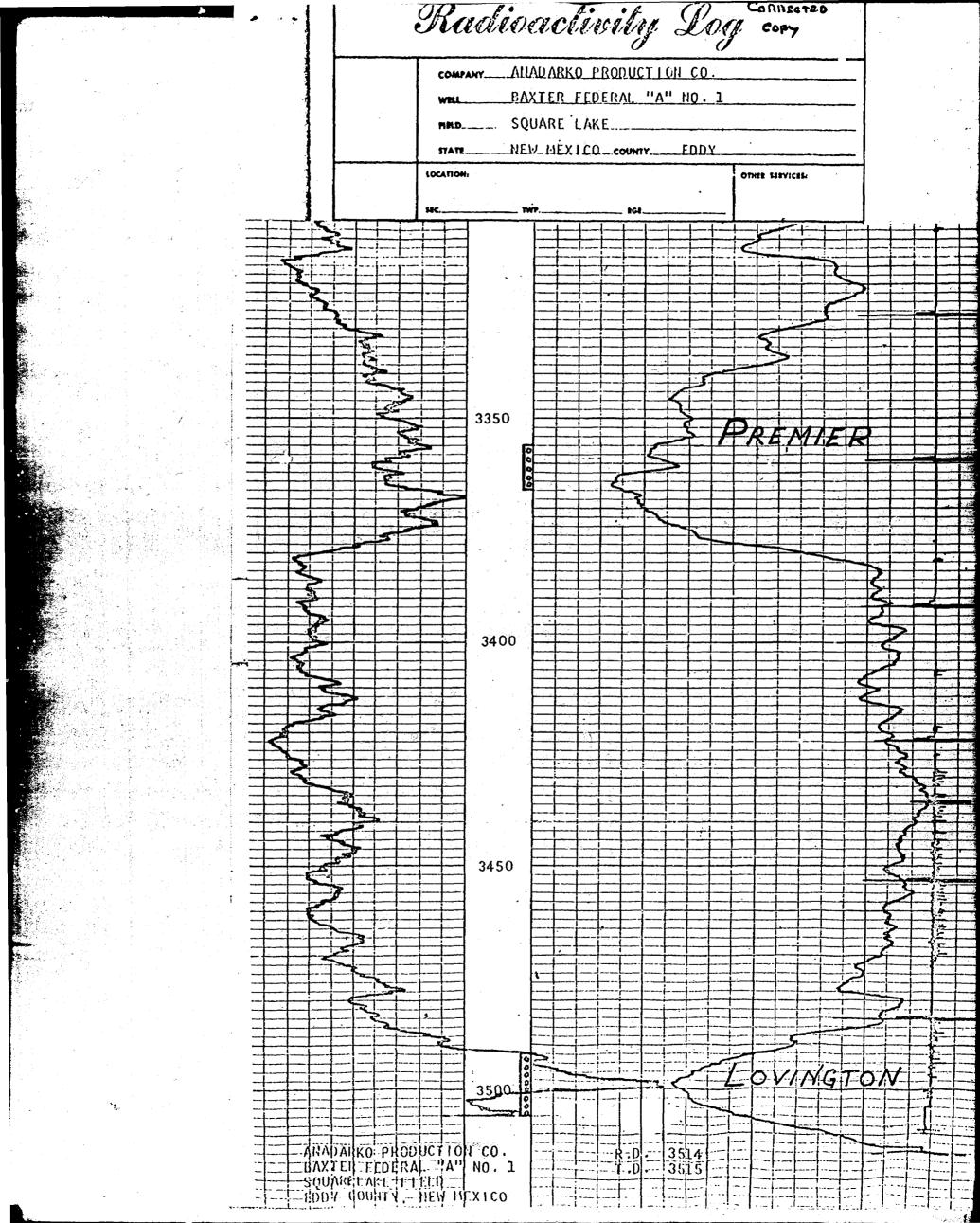
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February			\$	28	86	504		
March				27	203	558		
April				33	261	412		
May				25	335	310		
June			4	25	325	300		
July				27	226	170		
August				32	218	310		
September				18	-	300		
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1973 Total				252	1746	3862		

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May	67		1195	51		90			
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Month	Oil	<u>Sas</u>	Water	oil		Water		ater
January 1970		282	593	136	132	190		
February	77	307	390	14	56			
March	50	204	125	39	160	804*		
April	35	84	1305	, 25	60	201		
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November	_	_		26	-	164		
December	52		73					A depth A depth of
1970 Total	697	1315	5074	463	846	2593		
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January 1969	270	260	29	124	261			14
February	193	254	28	112	255			
March	206	269	_	78	269	31		-
April	200	179	25	101	179	50		-
May	373	350		• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	29			-
June	287	413	-	•	90	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		-
July	215	284	÷ *	· · · · · ·	284	- · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		-
August	258	256		· _ ·	256			-
September	259	243	• •	-	243	-		_
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November	141	293	45	52	108	5	-	
December	130	360	571	_25	80			
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March	236	100	-	236	101	- •		-	23
April	243	100	· -	243	100	- · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	· <b>-</b>	/	19
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July	287	292	<b></b>	287	292			<u> </u>	· 14
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September	259	332	<del>-</del>	259	332	<b>-</b>	-		14
October	166	315	<u> </u>	167	315		_		14
November	191	305	_** *	190	306	•	-	<b>⊕</b>	14
December	203	<u>314</u>		204	<u>315</u>		-		14
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1961 Total	<u>930</u>	6414	<u> </u>	159	6419			· .

- CASE 5517: Application of Petro Lewis Corporation for an unorthodox oil well location, Sandoval County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, eccks approval for the unorthodox location of an oil well to be drilled 1305 feet from the North line and 2310 feet from the East line of Section 22, Township 19 North, Range 3 West, Southwest Media-Entrada Oil Poel, Sandoval County, New Mexico.
- CASE 5512: Application of NRM Petroleum Corporation for an unorthodox gas well location, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for the unorthodox gas well location, as amended, for a well to be drilled at a point 910 feet from the North line and 660 feet from the West line of Section 33, Township 20 South, Range 30 East, Golden Lane Gas Field, Eddy County, New Mexico.
- CASE 5508: Application of Dugan Production Corporation for a non-standard gas proration unit, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for a 160-acre non-standard gas proration unit comprising the SW/4 of Section 14, Township 24 North, Range 5 West, Basin-Dakota Pool, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico, to be dedicated to a well at a standard location in Unit L of said Section 14.
- CASE 5518: Application of Anadarko Production Co. for two waterflood projects and an administrative procedure, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks authority to institute two waterflood projects in the Square Lake Pool by injection of water into the Grayburg-San Andres formations through its Kennedy Well No. 1, located in Unit M of Section 21, and its Baxter "A" Federal Well No. 1, located in Unit O of Section 20, both in Township 16 South, Range 31 East, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant further seeks the adoption of an administrative procedure whereby the aforesaid projects as well as those projects operated under authority of Orders Nos. R-2920, R-2977, and R-3677 could be combined for purposes of operation, control, and reporting, and whereby additional wells could be placed on injection or production without notice and hearing.
- CASE 5519: Application of Western Oil Producers, Inc. for an unorthodox gas well location, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for the unorthodox gas well location of a proposed Devonian oil test well, in the event said well should also be completed as a gas well in the Morrow formation, said well to be located 660 feet from the South line and 2310 feet from the West line of Section 25, Township 17 South, Range 25 East, West Atoka-Morrow Gas Pool, Eddy County, New Mexico.
- CASE 5520: Application of Yates Petroleum Corporation for two unorthodox gas well locations, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for the unorthodox location of two proposed gas wells, the first being 1980 feet from the North line and 660 feet from the West line of Section 31, Town-ship 17 South, Range 26 East, West Atoka-Morrow Gas Pool, Eddy County, New Mexico, to have dedicated the N/2 of said Section 31; and the second being 880 feet from the South line and 660 feet from the West line of said Section 31, to have dedicated the S/2 of said Section 31.



## 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. 5518

Order No. R- 5065

APPLICATION OF ANADARKO PRODUCTION COMPANY FOR WATERFLOOD PROJECT CONSOLIDATION, WATER-FLOOD EXPANSION, AND AN ADMINISTRATIVE PRO-CEDURE, EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

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ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

#### BY THE COMMISSION:

This cause came on for hearing at 9 a.m. on July 2 197 at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner Richard L. Stamets

NOW, on this day of July 1975, 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 the applicant, Anadarko Production Company, is the operator and successor in interest to those certain waterflood projects and waterflood buffer zones heretofore approved by the Commission, as follows:

Case No. 5518 Order No. R-

- (a) The nadarko Square Lake Etz Waterflood project.
- (b) The Anadarko Square Lake Grier No. 2 Waterflood project.

Both of which were approved by Commission Order No. R-3677, dated February 13, 1969.

- (c) The Kennedy Oil Company Square Lake Waterflood project, approved by Commission Order No. R-2920, dated June 8, 1965.
- (d) The Cima Capitan, Inc., et al., cooperative water-flood project in the Square Lake Pool, approved by Order No. R-2977, dated October 7, 1965, in which project applicant has succeeded to the interests of Western Oil Fields, Inc., and Cima Capitan, Inc.
- (3) That for convenience of operation, reporting, and control of said projects, they should be consolidated into a single project.
- (4) That the applicant seeks to expand seed project by the injection of water into the Grayburg and San Andres formations through its Baxter "A" Federal Well No. 1 in Unit 0 of Section 20 and its Federal "A" Well No. 3 in Unit M of Section 21, both located in Township 16 South, Range 31 East, NMPM, Square Lake Pool, Eddy County, New Mexico.
- (5) That the proposed waterflood project consolidation and expansion should result in the recovery of otherwise unrecoverable oil, thereby preventing waste.
- (6) That the operator should take all steps necessary to ensure that the injected water enters only the proposed injection interval and is not permitted to escape to other formations or onto the surface from injection, production, or plugged and abandoned wells.
- (7) That an administrative procedure should be established whereby additional in jection and producing wells at orthodox and unorthodox locations in the project area may be approved without

notice and hearing.

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(8) That the subject application should be approved and the project should be governed by the provisions of Rules 701, 702, and 703 of the Commission Rules and Regulations.

#### IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

- (1) That the applicant is hereby authorized to consolidate for purposes of operation and reporting those certain waterflood projects and waterflood buffer zones heretofore approved by the Commission, as follows:
  - a. The Anadarko Square Lake Etz Waterflood project:
  - b. The Anadarko Square Lake Grier No. 2 Waterflood project;

Both of which were approved by Commission Order No.

R=3677, dated February 13, 1969.

- project; approved by Commission Order No. R-2920,
- d. The Cima Capitan, Inc., et al., cooperative waterflood project in the Square Lake Pool approved
  by Order No. R-2977, dated October 7, 1965, in
  which project applicant has succeeded to the
  interests of Western Oil Fields, Inc., and Cima

all in Eddy County News Mexico.

- (2) That the resultant consolidated waterflood project is hereby designated the Anadarko Consolidated Square Lake Waterflood Project and shall be governed by the provisions of Rules 701, 702, and 703 of the Commission Rules and Regualtions.
- (3) That the applicant is hereby authorized to expand said Consolidated Square Lake Waterflood Project on its Square Lake Pool by the injection of water into the Grayburg and San Andres formations through the following-described wells in Township 16 South, Range 31 East, NMPM, Eddy County, New Mexico:

Lease Name	Wall No.	Unit	Section
Baxter "A" Federal Federal "A"	1	0	20
Federal "A"	3	M	21

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- (4) That injection into each of said wells shall be through internally coated tubing, set in a packer which shall be located as near as practicable to the uppermost performation; that the casing-tubing annulus of each injection well shall be loaded with an inert fluid and equipped with an approved pressure gauge or attention-attracting leak detection device.
- (5) That the operator shall immediately notify the supervisor of the Commission's Artesia district office of the failure of the tubing or packer in any injection well, the leakage of water of oil from around any producing well, or the leakage of water or oil from any plugged and abandoned well within the project area and shall take such timely steps as may be necessary or required to correct such failure or leakage.
- authorized to approve such additional producing wells and injection wells at orthodox and unorthodox locations within the boundaries of the Anadarko Consolidated Square Lake Waterflood Project area as may be necessary to complete an efficient production and injection pattern, provided said wells are drilled no closer than 330 feet to any lease line nor closer than 10 feet to any quarter-quarter section or subdivision inner boundary. To obtain such approval, the project operator shall file proper application with the Commission, which application, if it seeks authorization to convert additional wells to injection or to drill additional production or injection wells shall include the following:
- (a) A plat showing the location of proposed well, all wells within the project area, and offset operators, locating wells which offset the project area.
- (b) A schematic drawing of the proposed well which fully describes the casing, tubing, perforated interval, and depth.
- (c) A letter stating that all offset operators to the proposed well have been furnished a complete copy of the application and the date of notification.

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The Secretary-Director may approve the proposed well if, within 20 days after receiving the application, no objection to the proposal is received. The Secretary-Director may grant immediate approval, provided waivers of objection are received from all offset operators.

- (7) That monthly progress reports of the waterflood project herein authorized shall be submitted to the Commission in accordance with Rules 704 and 1120 of the Commission Rules and Regulations.
- (8) That jurisdiction of this cause is retained for the entry of such further orders as the Commission may deem necessary.

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