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Artesia, N. Mex. Sept. 2, 1952

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NMEX OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION SANTA FE NMEX=

AIR MAILED REQUEST TO YOU FOR HEARING YESTERDAY= HAROLD KERSEY=

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Artesia, N. Mex. - Oct. 14, 1952

New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission Santa Fe, N. Mex.

### Gentlemen:

The undersigned, Olen F. Featherstone, hereby makes application to the New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission for authority to establish a water flooding project in the  $N_2$  of Sec. 19, T17S, R28E, Eddy County, New Mexico.

Production on the property is from the Tates-Seven Rivers pay at an approximate depth of 575. The thickness of the sand varies from 31 to 41, and it is a fine grained uniform sand that is consistent over the whole lease. The wells come in with a good flush production but decline very rapidly. The bottom hole pressure is very low and there is not sufficient reservoir energy to produce oil in paying quantities. For this reason some form of secondary recovery is necessary to obtain the oil in place. We have chosen to try water flooding and a report is attached showing that this lease has a good chance of being water flooded with success. The report was made by Buckles & Hostetler, Oil Production Consultants, of Monehans, Texas.

A map is attached showing the existing oil wells on the property and also the proposed additional production wells and the proposed water input wells.

There is water on this property available for water flooding and a water well has been drilled on the property which will produce all the water needed for the project.

This operator desires establishment of a blanket allowable for the 320 acres involved of 8 times the current allowable.

Written statements giving consent to this project are attached which came from a majority of the operators within one-half mile of the property.

While no property line input water wells are shown on the map it is the plan of this operator, if the project is successful, to either farment or join with the offset operators in the developing of the adjoining acreage so that line wells will be necessary.

The locations of the 21 proposed water input wells to be drilled on this property which is the  $N_{\frac{1}{2}}$  of Sec. 19, T17S, R28E, Eddy County are as follows:

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The locations of the additional oil wells to be drilled are as shown on the plat. These are all on orthodox locations.

We respectfully submit this application for your approval and we will appreciate your consideration of this project.

Yours very truly,

Olen F Featherstone

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Tr. Clen F. Postherstone 212 Booker Building Artosis, New Texico

Dear Er. Featherstone:

In reference to our conversation this is to confirm my advising you that I have no objections to your water flooding the Ni, Section 19, T. 178, R. 285, Eddy County, Lew Lexico

For your information I own SW SW of Section 19, T. 175, R. 28E.

Yours very truly

JC/g

Jerry Auto Jerry Curtis P. O. Box 605 Artosia, New Yexico

E. L. KLETT
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KLETT, BEAN & EVANS ATTORNEYS AT LAW 2ND FLOOR MYRICK BLDG. LUBBOCK, TEXAS

October 7, 1952

Mr. Olan F. Featherstone 212 Booker Building Artesia, New Mexico

Dear Sir:

The undersigned, owners of the oil and gas lesses on the lands lying immediately west of the Brooks lease on the North Half of Section 19, T-17-S, R-28-E, Eddy County, New Mexico, have no objections to your waterflooding the Brooks project upon the above lease, provided, however, that in the event we, our successors or assigns, decide to waterflood any part or all of the leases held by us lying west of the Brooks lease, we may do so without objection upon your part or upon the part of any other owner of the Brooks lease on the North Half of Section 19, T-17-S, R-28-E, Eddy County, New Mexico.

Yours very truly,

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Gentlemen:

I agree that you may waterflood your lease should you choose to do so.

Olan F. Featherstone

# 3 October 1952

Mr. Olen F. Featherstone Artesia New Mexico

Dear Mr. Featherstone:

We, as the owners of Federal Oil and Gas Lease covering the  $SW^{\frac{1}{4}}$  of Section 10, Township 17 South, Range 28 East, known as the Hastie Lease, and Federal Lease covering the  $SE^{\frac{1}{4}}$  of Section 13, Township 17 South, Range 27 East, known as the Saunders Lease, hereby give our consent to the water flooding program which you are about to commence on your lease covering the  $N^{\frac{1}{2}}$  Section 19, Township 17 South, Range 28 East, N.H.P.M.

You are authorized to use this letter evidencing our consent at the hearing before the New Mexico Oil and Gas Conservation Commission which is to be held October 15, 1952.

Yours very truly,

SIMMS AND REESE OIL COMPANY

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# DELHI OIL CORPORATION CORRIGAN TOWER DALLAS 1, TEXAS

October 0, 1997

Mr. Olen F. Featherstone 212 Booker Building Artesia, New Mexico

Dear Ir. Featherstone:

In reference to our telephone conversation of September 29th, this is to confirm my advising you that Delhi has no objections to your water flooding the No. Section 19, T 175, R 25E, Eddy County, New Mexico.

For your information, Delhi has the following leases immediately bordering the location you are planning to flood:

T 175, R 282 Section 19 SEL NEW SWA Section 20 Way

We would appreciate receiving a copy of your preliminary report when available, and subsequent reports as to the progress you are making. If we can be of further assistance, please feel free to call on us.

Yours very truly,

DELHI OIL CORPORATION

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# YATES BROTHERS

Oil Producers

HARVEY E. YATES MARTIN YATES III

309 CARPER BLDG.

S. P. YATES

ARTESIA, NEW MEXICO

P O BOX 397

TELEPHONE 552

October 2, 1952

Mr. Olen F. Featherstone Artesia. Ne w Mexico

Dear Mr. Featherstone:

Complying with your request in reference to the plans of your company to create a water drive for the purpose of increasing oil production from your oil wells in the Empire field. We have no objection to your plans.

We are the owners of a Federal Oil and Gas Lease referred to as the Hastie Lease, L.C.-045818-B, in Section 18, Township 17 South, Range 28 East, Eddy County.

It is our understanding that you will comply with all Federal rules and regulations in regard to Federal Oil and Gas Leases and the operations thereunder.

Yours very truiv.

Louise D. Yates

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Scale 1" equals 500'

Artesia, N. Mex. Sept. 2, 1952

### **KERSEY & COMPANY**

OIL WELL DRILLING CONTRACTORS

210 BOOKER BLDG. -:- P. O. BOX 305 -:- PHONE 366

ARTESIA, NEW MEXICO

Sept. 2, 1952

Oil Conservation Commission Santa Fe, N. Mex.

Gentlemen:

Attached hereto is a plat showing a proposed water flooding project in Sec. 19 T17S R28E, Eddy County, N. Mex. The plat shown is tenative and the number of new wells indicated will only be drilled when it is proven by a test well that the area under consideration will water flood successfully.

The names of operators holding leases within one-half mile of the proposed project are: Dean & White Oil Co., Delhi Oil Co., and A. H. Hover et al.

A core analysis has been made on the producing horizon and it is the opinion of our consultants that this formation (Yates-Seven Rivers) can be water flooded profitably.

The water for flooding will be obtained from around 250° to 300° and a water well will be drilled for this purpose.

On the water input wells it is proposed to follow this program: (1) Set 7" casing to shut of water around 3001. (2) Brill into pay and lightly shoot pay. (3) Clean out and set 2" tubing with perforation in pay section. (4) Place gravel around perforation in pay section and 1' of sand on top of gravel and then 10 sacks of cement on top of sand. (5) Mud the hole back to surface around the 2" tubing and pull the surface casing.

It is proposed to inject a maximum of 25 bbls of water per day into each input well. This will be injected into the Yates-Seven Rivers pay which is around 6001. A represenative log of existing wells on the lease is enclosed.

The name of the operator for the proposed work is Olen F. Featherstone whose address is 210 Booker Bldg., Artesia, N. Mex.

We would appreciate your study and consideration of this project. If there is any further information you may require please call on us.

Yours very truly,

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Harold Kersey

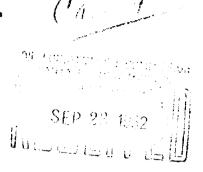
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### **KERSEY & COMPANY**

OIL WELL DRILLING CONTRACTORS
210 BOOKER BLDG. -:- P. O. BOX 308 -:- PHONE 386

ARTESIA, NEW MEXICO

Sept. 20, 1952



New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission P. O. Box 871 Santa Fe, N. Mex.

Gentlemen:

Olen F. Featherstone is the operator of a Federal Oil and Gas Lease covering the  $N_2^{\frac{1}{2}}$  of Sec. 19, T17S, R28E, Eddy County, New Mexico. There are 18 producing wells on this lease as per the enclosed plat.

Production is from the Yates-Seven Rivers at approximately 575°. The thickness of the sand varies from 3° to 4° and it is a fine grained uniform sand that is consistent over the lease. The wells drilled on the lease show up with good flush production but decline very rapidly. It is the general opinion that the bottom hole pressure is depleted and some form of secondary recovery is necessary. We have chosen to try a water flood project on this lease and have cored a well and had a core analysis run and in the opinion of our consultants this lease should water flood with success.

There is water available on the property at a depth of 250° to 300° and we plan to use this water for injection. We plan to inject 25 to 50 bbls of water per day in each injection well. We will drill what ever number of water wells required to get an adequate quantity for injecting.

We respectfully request that the Oil Conservation Commission consider all data submitted and set a hearing for our application at the earliest possible date.

If any additional information is needed, we will gladly supply it.

Yours very truly,

Harold Kersey, representing Olen F. Featherstone

# OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION P. O. BOX 871 SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

September 15, 1952

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FLOW F. FEATHERSTONE 210 Booker Building Artesia, New Mexico

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Attention: Mr. Harold Kersey

Gentlemen:

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Enclosed please find a copy of Worth Drilling Company's application in Case 334 pertaining to their water-flooding project. I believe that if you follow this pattern and enclose with the application a plat of the area that it will suffice.

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Submit the application in triplicate and bear in mind that it must be here in Santa Fe by September 22 in order to be heard at the regular October 15 hearing.

Yours very truly,

W. B. Macey Chief Engineer

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# OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION P. O. BOX 871 SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

September 25, 1952

Mr. Harold Kersey
Box 305
Artesia, N. M.

Dear Sir:

With regard to your application on behalf of Olen F. Fratherstone for permission to institute a secondary recovery program (by water flooding) on the Brooks Lease in 19-178-28E, this case has been set up as Case 416 and scheduled for hearing on October 15, 1952.

Very truly yours,

W. B. Macey Chief Engineer

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Peb. 13, 1954

Re: Brooks water Flood Hg Sec. 19-17-28 Eddy County, H. Hers.

Oil Conservation Commission Artesia, N. Hex.

Gentlemen:

On the above water fleed it has been found that water from the input wells has channelled into the producing wells and the project has proven unsuccessful.

We have quit the injection of water into the input wells and the water flood is abendoned.

Yours very truly,

OLDE F. FEATHERSTONE

Harold Kersey

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# OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

# P. O. BOX 871 SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

October 28, 1952

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CLEM F. FEATHERSTONE 210 Booker Building Artesia, New Mexico

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Attention: Mr. Harold Kersey

Gentlemen:

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We enclose for your records two signed copies of Commission Order R-200 as issued in Case 416, heard on October 15, 1952.

Yours very truly,

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W. B. Macey Chief Engineer

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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 THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONSIDERING:

CASE NO. 416 ORDER NO. R-200

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION
OF OLEN F. FEATHERSTONE FOR APPROVAL
OF A SECONDARY RECOVERY PROJECT, BY
WATER-FLOODING, ON THE BROOKS-FEDERAL
LEASE IN SECTION 19, TOWNSHIP 17 SOUTH,
RANGE 28 EAST, NMPM, EDDY COUNTY, NEW
MEXICO, IN THE EMPIRE POOL, BY INJECTION
INTO 21 WELLS ON SAID LEASE.

## ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

### BY THE COMMISSION:

This cause came on for hearing at 9 o'clock a. m. on October 15, 1952, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before the Oil Conservation Commission, hereinafter referred to as the "Commission".

NOW, on this 20 day of Carolog 1952, the Commission, a quorum being present, having considered the records and the testimony adduced, and being fully advised in the premises,

### FINDS:

- (1) That due notice having been given as required by law, the Commission has jurisdiction of the cause and the persons and subject matter thereof.
- (2) That the Petitioner's request to institute a secondary recovery program on the Brooks Lease, N/2 Section 19, Township 17 South, Range 28 East, NMPM, in the Empire Pool, by water injection into 21 proposed injection wells should be granted.
- (3) That a secondary recovery program by water injection in the Empire Pool is of experimental nature and periodic reports shou'd be submitted to the Commission by the Petitioner disclosing its acts and doings in the matter.
- (4) That offset operators have not objected to the granting of this application.

## IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

(1) That the application of Olen F. Featherstone for permission to institute a secondary recovery program on the Brooks Lease, N/2 Section 19, Township 17 South, Range 28 East, NMPM, in the Empire Pool, by injecting water into 21 proposed injection wells, be, and the same hereby is approved.

(2) That permission is hereby granted to drill and complete the following wells at the designated locations for the purpose of injecting water into the Yates-Seven Rivers producing zone of the Empire Pool.

# Section 19, Township 17 South, Range 28 East, NMPM

IP # 1	6201	from	north	line	and	650'	from	west	line.
IP # 2	660'	11	11	11	11	1340'	11	11	11
IP # 3	6401	13	11	11	11	20701	11	11	11
IP # 4	660'	11	11	*1	*1	26701	ti	13	1.5
IP#5	6601	11	11	11	11	19751	11	east	11
IP # 6	660'	11	**	11	11	12751	11	*1	11
IP # 7	650'	31	11	11	7.7	650'	17	11	†1
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IP #14	13401	11	**	11	11	670'	11	11	11
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- (3) That the operator shall submit monthly reports to the Commission showing the monthly oil production and water production, and amount of water injected into the reservoir through each injection well bore.
- (4) That the operator shall furnish the Commission with a copy of the Federal well log, complete with a core description and/or sample description. and completion information on each input well.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED and applicant is hereby authorized to produce from this tract, being the N/2 Section 19, Township 17 South, Range 28 East, NMPM, the total allowable production, as fixed by the Commission, for the total number of developed 40-acre proration units comprising such tract and applicant is hereby authorized to produce the total allowable so fixed by the Commission for the tract from all the wells located upon or that may hereafter be drilled upon such tract, producing from the Yates-Sever Rivers zone in the Empire Pool.

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

> STATE OF NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

EDWIN L. MECHEM, Chairman

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OTI. CONSERVATION 
October 15. 1952.

In the Master of:

Olen F. Featherstone's application for approval of a secondary recovery program (by water flooding) on Brooks (Federal) lease in 19-178-28%, Eddy County, Empire Pool, by injection into 12 injection wells on said lease, where now being 18 producing wells on the lease.

Gase No.

# TRANSCRIPT OF HEARING

(Notice of publication read by Mr. Graham.)

# HAROLD KERSAY

having been first duly sworn, testified as follows:

MR. KERSAY: This application is for Mr. Olen F. Featherstone to start a secondary recovery project in the Empire Field in the Yates Seven Rivers Pay. There has been 18 producing wells drilled on this lease, at a total depth of between 550 and 600 feet. The recovery from the 18 producing wells has been approximately 25,000 barrels. The bottom hole pressure is very low in the area and, in order to recover the oil in places, some form of secondary recovery has to be started.

We have chosen a water flood for this program and a core analysis has been made of the Pennsylvanian zones and we had

Consultants backles to Ecstetier Cook seeks, heave rate on a report and study of the area. And, it was their memort to up that we could expect receivery of approximately 3,000 hornels con acre on the lease, 320 horses backwar in the property. There is water available on the property of the approximate depth of 250 feet. We had drilled a water wall and have an adequate quantity of water available.

The consent of the majority of the adjoining operators has been obtained and with no objection to the proposed project.

We have a plat showing the adjacent operators and also the proposed water input wells. We propose, at this time, to drill 21 input wells and approximately 11 oil wells. The oil wells will all be orbitodox locations. None of the input water wells will be near a property line - 660 feet.

However, at some later date, if this project proves successful and we can deal with, or join with the adjacent operators, we propose to drill line wells in order to complete the recovery. We would like to have an allowable of eight times the current allowable on the 320 acres.

MR. MACEY: You mean by that the current top allowable?

A The current top allowable. That about covers the main points of our application.

MR. GRAHAM: What is the nature of that water?

A The water that we propose to out in --

MR. CRAHAM: (Interrupting) That is fresh water?

A It is fresh water and outside of the imrigation district

no there would be no objection from the immigration district on using it.

MR. ORAHAM: Of course, water is one of the problems in that area?

A This water is not pertable, it has a high gyp centent and we are possibly going to have to treat the water in order to ic-ject it, before it can be injected.

MR. GRAHAM: What are the possibilities of securing salt water?

A Well, it is possible at approximately 900 feet in the red sand, and if this water supply should be inadequate, we will no doubt drill to the red sand to secure that water.

MR. WHITE: You say you have waivers from the adjacent operators. Do you have written waivers?

A Yes, we have written consent.

MR. SPURRIER: You wish to introduce that in evidence?

A I wish to introduce that as part of the evidence and also the plat showing the proposed input wells and also an application here, setting out the locations of the proposed input wells.

MR. SPURRIER: Without objection they will be received.

MR. MACRY: This is on Federal lano. Have you discussed this with the Federal Government?

A Yes, we have discussed it with the United States Geological Service and they have given their consent to this project.

MR. WHITE: That will be filed as an exhibit too, the

written consenu?

A It was verbel. Powever, we can be their consent.

MR. MEATHERSTONE: I think so.

A We will get that. For have a report of our consultants on this project.

MR. GRAHAM: You propose to make a declaration of the water rights to the State Engineer?

A Is that necessary? Is that a necessary procedure?

MR. GRAHAM: I am sorry, I can't tell you specifically,
but I know that the water, New Mexico recovery was, and if you
have rights there you should declare them, if you are taking more
than domestic use.

A That is something we will have to look into.

MR. SPURRIER: Are there any questions of this witness?

If not the witness may be excused.

(Witness excused.)

MR. SPURRIER: Any comment in this case? If not the next cases on the Docket are Cases 417, 418, 419 and 420 which I assume that Phillips will want consolidated for the purposes of testifying.

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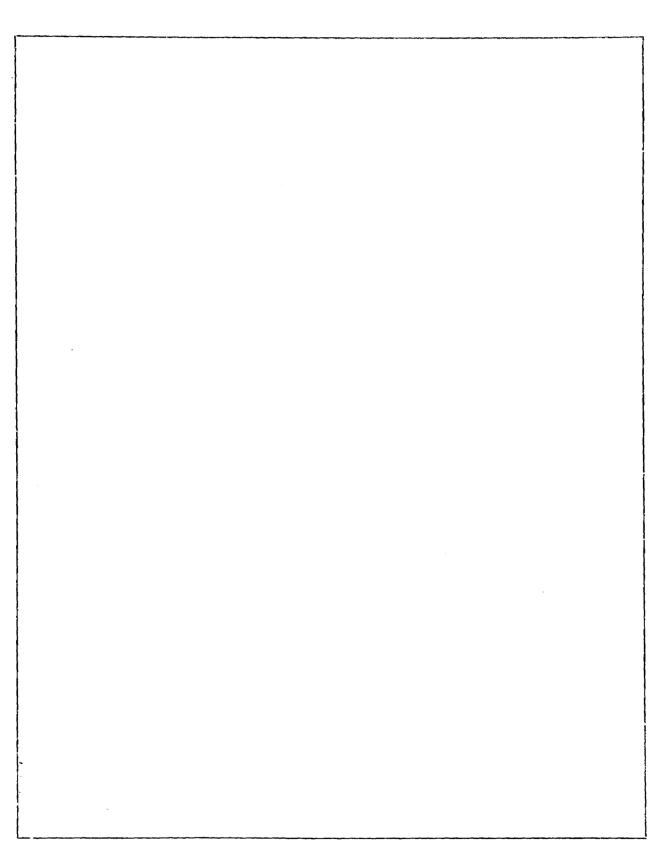
COUNTY OF BERNALILLO )

I hereby certify that the above and foregoing transcript of proceedings in Case No. 416, taken before the Oil Conservation Commission on October 15, 1952, at Santa Ne, New Nexico, is a true and correct record.

Dated at Albuquerque, New Mexico, this 25th day of October, 1952.

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My Cormission Expares: June 19, 1955.



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