

Case No.

6A

Application, Transcript,
Small Exhibits, Etc.

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 CON-
SIDERING:

CASE NO. 618
Order No. R-536

THE AMENDED APPLICATION OF TEXAS
PACIFIC COAL AND OIL COMPANY FOR
AN ORDER GRANTING APPROVAL OF AN
EXCEPTION PURSUANT TO RULE 7 (a) OF
ORDER NO. R-368-A IN ESTABLISHMENT
OF AN UNORTHODOX GAS PRORATION UNIT
OF 120 CONTIGUOUS ACRES CONSISTING OF
THE N/2 NW/4 OF SECTION 21 AND THE NE/4
NE/4 OF SECTION 20, TOWNSHIP 23 SOUTH,
RANGE 36 EAST, NMPM, LEA COUNTY, NEW
MEXICO IN WHAT IS NOW DEVEALED AS THE
JALMAT GAS POOL UNDER THE PROVISIONS
OF ORDER R-520.

ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

BY THE COMMISSION:

This cause came on for hearing at 9 o'clock a.m. on December 17, 1953, and was successively continued to August 18, 1954, at which time it came on for final hearing at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before the Oil Conservation Commission, hereinafter referred to as the "Commission".

NOW, on this ¹⁶4 day of October, 1954 the Commission, a quorum being present, having considered the records and testimony adduced, and being fully advised in the premises:

FINDS:

(1) That due notice of the time and place of hearing and the purpose thereof having been given as required by law, the Commission has jurisdiction of this case and the subject matter thereof.

(2) That pursuant to provisions of Rule 7 (a) of Order No. R-368-A, and Order R-520, the Commission has power and authority to permit the formation of a gas proration unit consisting of other than a legal quarter section after notice and hearing by the Commission.

(3) That applicant, Texas Pacific Coal and Oil Company, is the owner of an oil and gas lease in Lea County, New Mexico, the land consisting of other than a legal quarter section, and described as follows, to-wit:

Township 23 South, Range 36 East, NMPM
N/2 NW/4 of Section 21
NE/4 NE/4 of Section 20

containing 120 acres, more or less.

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(4) (a) That applicant, Texas Pacific Coal and Oil Company has a producing well on the aforesaid lease known as State A, A/c-1, No. 4, located in the NE/4 NW/4 of Section 21, Township 23 South, Range 36 East.

(b) That the Jalmat Gas Pool should be extended to include the E/2 NE/4 of Section 20, Township 23 South, Range 36 East.

(5) That the aforesaid well was completed and in production prior to January 1, 1954, the effective date of Order No. R-368-A, and is located within the limits of the pool heretofore delineated and designated as the Jalmat Gas Pool.

(6) That it is impractical to pool applicant's said lease with adjoining acreage in Sections 20 and 21 and that the owners of adjoining acreage in said sections have not objected to the formation of the proposed proration unit of 120 acres.

(7) That unless a proration unit consisting of applicant's aforesaid acreage is permitted, applicant will be deprived of the opportunity to recover its just and equitable share of the natural gas in the Jalmat Gas Pool.

(8) That creation of a proration unit consisting of the aforesaid acreage will not cause but will prevent waste, and will protect correlative rights.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

(1) That the application of Texas Pacific Coal and Oil Company for approval of an unorthodox proration unit consisting of the following described acreage

Township 23 South, Range 36 East, NMPM
N/2 NW/4 of Section 21
NE/4 NE/4 of Section 20

be and the same is hereby approved, and a proration unit consisting of aforesaid acreage is hereby created.

(2) That applicant's well, State A, a/c-1, No. 4, located in the NE/4 NW/4 of Section 21, Township 23 South, Range 36 East, NMPM, shall be granted an allowable from January 1, 1954, in the proportion that the above described 120-acre unit bears to the standard or orthodox proration unit for said pool, all until further order of the Commission.

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

STATE OF NEW MEXICO
OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

E. L. Mechem
EDWIN L. MECHEM, Chairman

E. S. Walker
E. S. WALKER, Member

W. B. Macey
W. B. MACEY, Member and Secretary

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OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

P. O. BOX 871

SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

October 25, 1954

Mr. Jack Campbell, Attorney
224 J. P. White Building
ROSWELL N M

Dear Sir:

On behalf of your client, Texas Pacific Coal and Oil Company, we enclose copies of Orders R-535 and R-536 issued on October 14, 1954, in Cases 617 and 618, respectively.

Very truly yours,

W. B. Macey
Secretary - Director

WBH:nr

Encl.

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Dec 17 1953 Hearing - CROSS FILE: RE CASES 613 - 626, incl.

In File Case 613, note Shell Oil Company statement which was to be applied
to Cases 613 - 626, incl.

Report must be submitted to the Oil Conservation Commission District Office within ten days after the work specified is completed. It should be signed and filed as a permanent record of the work done. The results of test operations must be reported to the Commission immediately after completion of the work. The report must be signed by an agent of the Commission. See additional instructions in the Rules and Regulations of the Commission.

Indicate nature of report by checking below.

REPORT ON BEGINNING DRILLING OPERATIONS		REPORT ON REPAIRING WELL	
REPORT ON RESULT OF SHOOTING OR CHEMICAL TREATMENT OF WELL		REPORT ON PULLING OR OTHERWISE ALTERING CASING	
REPORT ON RESULT OF TEST OF CASING SHUT-OFF		REPORT ON DEEPENING WELL	
REPORT ON RESULT OF PLUGGING OF WELL	X		

May 12, 1952

Hobbs, New Mexico

Date

Place

Following is a report on the work done and the results obtained under the heading noted above at the Texas Pacific

Coal and Oil Company N.M. State "A" 1/a-1 Well No. 5 in the

Company or Operator

Lease

R. 1 NE 1 of Sec. 20 T. 23-S R. 36-E N. M. P. M.

Seeper-Jal Pool Lee County.

The dates of this work were as follows: May 5 to May 8, 1952

Notice of intention to do the work was submitted submitted on Form C-102 on April 15, 1952, and approval of the proposed plan was obtained obtained. (Cross out incorrect words.)

DETAILED ACCOUNT OF WORK DONE AND RESULTS OBTAINED

Hole was filled with mud and magnetometer run. The 7" 2 1/2" casing was shot @ 2500' and a total of 2505' of casing was recovered. A 50' cement plug was set at the top of the Rustler Anhydrite @ 1440'; a 50' cement plug was set at the base of the 12-1/2" surface casing @ 389' and a 25' cement plug was set at the surface. A regulation 4" x 4' marker was placed at the surface.

Witnessed by Joe Hester Texas Pacific Coal & Oil Co. Production Engineer

APPROVED
OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

I hereby swear or affirm that the information given above is true and correct.

Ray Hester

Paul T. Hester

REPORTS ON WELLS

FEB 18 1952

Submit this report in triplicate to the Oil and Gas Conservation Commission District Office within 10 days after the work is completed. It should be signed and filed as a report on beginning drilling operations, result of shooting or chemical treatment of well, result of casing shut off, result of plugging of well, and other important operations, even though the work was done by an agent of the Commission. See additional instructions in the Rules and Regulations of the Commission.

Indicate nature of report by checking below.

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REPORT ON RESULT OF SHOOTING OR CHEMICAL TREATMENT OF WELL	REPORT ON PULLING OR OTHERWISE ALTERING CASING
REPORT ON RESULT OF TEST OF CASING SHUT-OFF	REPORT ON DEEPENING WELL
REPORT ON RESULT OF PLUGGING OF WELL	TEMPORARILY ABANDON X

February 15, 1952 Hobbs, New Mexico

Date Place

Following is a report on the work done and the results obtained under the heading noted above at the Texas Pacific
Coal & Oil Company N.M. State "A" A/c-1 Well No. 5 in the
Company or Operator Lease
NEL/A of Sec. 20 T. 23S R. 36E N. M. P. M.
Cooper-Jal Pool. 1st County.

The dates of this work were as follows: Jan. 21, 1952 - Jan. 22, 1952

Notice of intention to do the work was (~~was~~) submitted on Form C-102 on January 21 1952
 and approval of the proposed plan was (~~was~~) obtained. (Cross out incorrect words.)

DETAILED ACCOUNT OF WORK DONE AND RESULTS OBTAINED

Spotted neat cement through tubing. Plugged back to 3408'. Plug checked with Halliburton Line.

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MISCELLANEOUS NOTICES

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO TEST CASING		NOTICE OF INTENTION TO SHOOT OR CHEMICALLY TREAT WELL	
NOTICE OF INTENTION TO CHANGE PLANS		NOTICE OF INTENTION TO FILL OR OTHERWISE ALTER CASING	
NOTICE OF INTENTION TO REPAIR WELL		NOTICE OF INTENTION TO PLUG WELL	
NOTICE OF INTENTION TO DEEPEN WELL		TEMPORARILY ABANDON	X

Albuquerque, New Mexico

January 21, 1952

Place

Date

OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION,
Santa Fe, New Mexico.

Gentlemen:

Following is a notice of intention to do certain work as described below at the Texas Pacific Coal & Oil
Company New Mexico State "A" A/c-1 Well No. 5 in Unit A H
 Company or Operator Lease
 of Sec. 20, T. 23N, R. 34E, N. M. P. M. Cooper-Jal Field
Los County.

FULL DETAILS OF PROPOSED PLAN OF WORK FOLLOW INSTRUCTIONS IN THE RULES AND REGULATIONS OF THE COMMISSION

It is proposed to cement the present perforation in; 3447' to 3563' and leave the well shut in with a master gate on the casing.

JAN 23 1952

Texas Pacific Coal & Oil Co.
 Company or Operator
 By Paul H. [Signature]
 Position District Field Engineer

[Signature]
[Signature]
[Signature]

NOTICE OF INTENTION

RECEIVED

JAN 8 1952

Submit this notice to the Commission or its proper agent before the work specified is to begin. A permit to perform the work specified will be given the approval with an understanding that the work will be done in accordance with the rules and regulations of the Commission. The plan as submitted shall be subject to the approval of the Commission. The plan as submitted shall be subject to the approval of the Commission.

Indicate nature of notice by checking below:

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO TEST CASING SHUT-OFF		NOTICE OF INTENTION TO SHOOT OR CHEMICALLY TREAT WELL	
NOTICE OF INTENTION TO CHANGE PLANS		NOTICE OF INTENTION TO PULL OR OTHERWISE ALTER CASING	
NOTICE OF INTENTION TO REPAIR WELL		NOTICE OF INTENTION TO PLUG WELL	
NOTICE OF INTENTION TO DEEPEN WELL		Perforate & Hydrasacs	X

Hobbs, New Mexico January 7, 1952

OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION,
Santa Fe, New Mexico

Gentlemen:

Following is a notice of intention to do certain work as described below at the Texas Pacific Coal and Oil
Company State "A" A/s 1 Well No. 5 in ME/A
Company or Operator Lease
of Sec. 20, T. 33, R. 36 E, N. M. P. M. Cooper-Jal Field
Lee County.

FULL DETAILS OF PROPOSED PLAN OF WORK

FOLLOW INSTRUCTIONS IN THE RULES AND REGULATIONS OF THE COMMISSION

It is proposed to perforate the Intes section from 3563-3540; 3470-3447 (the remainder is now perforated) and hydrasacs if necessary to obtain gas production.

JAN 8 1952

Approved _____
except at follows:

Texas Pacific Coal and Oil Company

[Signature]

[Signature]

[Signature]

[Signature]

[Signature]

[Signature]

MISCELLANEOUS REPORTS ON WELLS

Reports should be made within ten days of completing the work indicated and should be submitted in duplicate.

Indicate nature of report by checking.

Notice of intention to drill	Subsequent record of shooting
Notice of intention to change plans	Notice of intention to pull or otherwise alter casing
Notice of date for test of water shut-off	Notice of intention to abandon well
Report on result of test of water shut-off	Supplementary well history
Notice of intention to re-drill or repair well	Monthly report of operations
Notice of intention to shoot	

Mr. Ed. Halley Carlsbad, N. Mex.
State Geologist
10-13-30 Santa Fe, New Mexico.

Following is a report giving the results of work done as indicated above at New Mexico

Well No. 5-A in SW 1/4 of Sec. 20 T. 23-N R. 36-W
N.M.P.M., Langue Oil Field Las, County.

DETAILS

State names of and expected depths to objective sands or producing horizon; show sizes, weights, and lengths of casing run or proposed; indicating mudding jobs, cementing points, water horizon, number of days operated, and total depth at end of month, and other important information.

Sands 3460 to 3487 3502 to 3523 3549 to 3565 3567 to 3572 3682 to 3689
Well has 389' of 12 1/2" 50# Pipe Cemented.
3645' of 7" on 2 1/2" Pipe Cemented. Well was formerly plugged back to 3500'
with cement (8-2-30) to prevent gas from coming out to surface and well hole. Then
about above gas sands. Well was cemented at 3572 before well was plugged back.
Report to plug and abandon if well does not produce gas from sands.

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MISCELLANEOUS REPORTS ON WELLS

Indicate nature of report by checking.

State Geologist
Santa Fe, New Mexico.

N.M.P.M., Trinidad Oil Field La County.

DETAILS

Bands were shot as follows: 1930-1940 1940-1945 1945-1950 7 Cts. Microstygardina
1945-1950 = 12 Cts. Microstygardina

1982-1983

1984-1985

BEFORE THE
OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION
STATE OF NEW MEXICO
at
Santa Fe, New Mexico
December 17, 1953

In the Matter of:

Texas Pacific Coal & Oil Company's application
for approval of unorthodox gas proration unit;
480 acres, NW/4 and S/2 of 5-22S-36E, Jalco Gas
Pool, and for a triple allowable for said unit.

Texas Pacific Coal & Oil Company's application
for approval of unorthodox gas proration unit
of 160 acres in S/2 NE/4 Section 20 and S/2 NW/4
Section 21 in Township 23 S, Range 36 E; for
extension of Jalco Pool to include S/2 NE/4
20-23S-36E; and for approval of present location
of applicant's N. M. State 'A' a/c-1 Wells No. 3
and No. 6 in SW NW and SE NW, respectively of
21-23S-36E.

Case No.s

616

617

&

618

(Consolidated)

Texas Pacific Coal & Oil Company's application
for approval of unorthodox gas proration unit
of 160 acres in N/2 NE/3 Section 20 and N/2 NW/4
Section 21 in Township 23 South, Range 36 East;
for extension of Jalco Gas Pool to include N/2
NE/4 20-23S-36E; and for approval of present
location of applicant's N. M. State 'A' a/c-1
well No. 4, NE NW 21-23S-36E.

(Notice of Publication read by Mr. Graham).

MR. CAMPBELL: Jack M. Campbell, Roswell, New Mexico. I
would like to make a statement and ask that it be included in the
record in each of these three cases, 616, 617 and 618. As the
Commission knows, there is pending a re-hearing in the Jalco Gas
Pool proration order R-358, and R-358-A. The applicant in that
case is Texas Pacific Coal & Oil Company. The applicant in these
three cases, 617, - - 616, 617 and 618 is also Texas Pacific Coal &

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Oil Company, and I am appearing for them in these three cases, although I am not appearing for them in Case 582. The applicant, Texas Pacific Coal & Oil Company, in compliance with Commission's directive, dated October 30, 1953, filed forms C-104 and C-110 for its wells in the Jalco Gas Pool. That was prior to the issuance of the Commission's order, and under compulsion of the Commission's directive. The application in these three cases, 16, 17 and 18 were filed prior to the request for re-hearing or the granting of the re-hearing in Case No. 528, involving the Jalco Gas Pool and were filed under compulsion of an order of the Commission then in effect. I am advised by the attorneys for Texas Pacific Coal & Oil Company, in Case 582, that they have taken the position and have filed a motion to the effect that gas proration order R-368-A is stayed and suspended pending the order of re-hearing. In other words, that the granting of the motion for the re-hearing by this Commission has the effect of suspending Rule R-358 until an order of re-hearing is issued.

MR. SPURRIER: 368?

MR. CAMPBELL: 368. If Order R-358 is sustained on re-hearing in subsequent appeal the Commission will be requested to consider these cases and make any allowable order retroactive to the first day of the proration period in accordance with the present rule. For these reasons I would like to request that the three cases be passed and continued on the docket until a future hearing.

MR. SPURRIER: Is there any objection to Mr. Campbell's motion?

MR. FOSTER: I understand that his motion is that he wants to make this order of proration of gas in the Jalco Pool retroactive

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to the old date in the event he is unsuccessful from making the proration from going into effect in that pool?

MR. CAMPBELL: I may answer you, Judge Foster, if the order is sustained on re-hearing and any other subsequent judicial proceeding, I simply want to have the right to proceed under the order in the event it is sustained at a future date. That is the only comment I made there.

MR. FOSTER: I wanted to ask you about the retroactive allowable.

MR. CAMPBELL: If the Commission's order, as it is sustained, if we are entitled to it under the order and the order is sustained we are going to seek it, we are going to ask for it, because - -

MR. FOSTER: (Interrupting) You can just record our objections to that.

MR. CAMPBELL: The order as it stands now anybody who seeks an unorthodox proration unit after they have made an effort to communitize and that is subsequent to the date the proration goes into effect, the order, as I read it, authorizes the allowable to be granted to anyone retroactively to the first day of the proration period, provided they are granted an exemption to the normal proration unit. That is all I am asking.

MR. KELLEHIN: If the Commission/representing Continental Oil Company. . . . We have no objection to the motion for continuance, we do join with Phillips in objecting to a retroactive allowable in the event these cases are heard later.

MR. SPURRIER: Anyone else? The Commission will continue these cases 616, 617, 618, to the regular January hearing, which

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is January 20th, I believe.

MR. SPURRIER: Mr. Campbell, can you advise the Commission how we can put Texas Pacific on the proration schedule in the meantime?

MR. CAMPBELL: I presume on the basis of filing 104-110 we will be placed on schedule the same as anybody else on the acreage we have in each quarter section. In other words, if the Commission takes the position that the order is in effect, of course we will file the necessary forms I suppose we will get to produce our wells. We think it is suspended, but the Commission does not agree with us.

MR. SPURRIER: We will take a recess until 1:30.

(Recess)

STATE OF NEW MEXICO)
COUNTY OF BERNALILLO)

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing and attached transcript of hearing in Cases No. 616, 617 and 618 (Continued) before the Oil Conservation Commission, State of New Mexico, at Santa Fe, on December 17, 1953, is a true and correct record of the same to the best of my knowledge, skill and ability.

DATED at Albuquerque, New Mexico, this 3rd day of December, 1953.


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STATE OF NEW MEXICO

APPLICATION OF TEXAS PACIFIC
COAL & OIL COMPANY FOR AN
UNORTHODOX GAS PRORATION UNIT
CONSISTING OF THE $N\frac{1}{2}NE\frac{1}{4}$ OF SECTION
20 AND $N\frac{1}{2}NW\frac{1}{4}$ OF SECTION 21, TOWNSHIP
23 SOUTH, RANGE 36 EAST, N.M.P.M.,
LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

Case No. 618

COMES NOW Texas Pacific Coal & Oil Company, Applicant, and states to the Commission:

1. It is the owner of oil and gas leases covering the $N\frac{1}{2}NE\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 20 and the $N\frac{1}{2}NW\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 21, Township 23 South, Range 36 East, Lea County, New Mexico.

2. There is a producing gas well situated in the $NE\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 21, in said Township and Range.

3. All of the $N\frac{1}{2}NE\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 20 and the $N\frac{1}{2}NW\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 21 in said Township and Range is productive of gas.

4. Applicant has complied with Rule 12 of Order No. R-368-A of this Commission.

5. The creation of a 160 acre gas proration unit consisting of the $N\frac{1}{2}NE\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 20 and the $N\frac{1}{2}NW\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 21, Township 23 South, Range 36 East, is necessary to protect the correlative rights of the Applicant and to avoid the drilling of unnecessary wells.

6. A plat showing the location of the proposed proration unit and the gas well located thereon is attached hereto as "Exhibit A".

WHEREFORE, Applicant respectfully prays for an order of this Commission as follows:

1. Extending the limits of the Jalco gas pool to such extent as may be necessary in order to include therein the

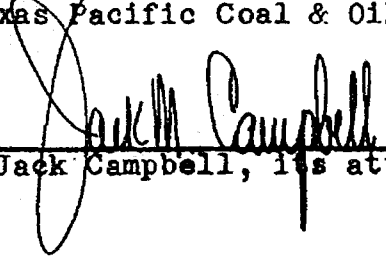
N $\frac{1}{2}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 20, Township 23 South, Range 36 East.

2. Creating a gas proration unit consisting of the N $\frac{1}{2}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 20 and the N $\frac{1}{2}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 21 in Township 23 South, Range 36 East and grant thereto a 160 acre proration unit allowable.

3. Approving the present location of Applicants N.M. State "A" a/c-1, No. 4 well in the NE $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 21, Township 23 South, Range 36 East as an unorthodox gas well location.

Texas Pacific Coal & Oil Company

By


Jack Campbell, its attorney

CORRECTED FILING

NEW MEXICO
OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Gas Well Plat

Date November 13

Texas Pacific Coal & Oil Co. N. M. State "A" a/c-1 4
Operator Lease Well No.

Name of Producing Formation Yates Pool Jalco

No. Acres Dedicated to the Well 160

SECTION Noted TOWNSHIP 23-S RANGE 36-E

Section 20		Section 21	
			* 4
	5 P&A		

I hereby certify that the information given above is true and complete to the best of my knowledge.

Name J. E. Maunula
Position Production Foreman
Representing Texas Pacific Coal & Oil Co.
Address Box 1688, Hobbs, New Mexico

EXHIBIT "A"

(over)

INSTRUCTIONS

1. Is this gas well a dual completion? Yes _____ No x

2. If the answer to Question 1 is Yes, are there any other dually completed wells within the dedicated acreage? Yes _____ No 1-300

- A separate plat must be filed for each gas well, outlining the area dedicated to such well and showing the location of all other wells (oil and gas) within the outlined area.

Mail in duplicate to the district office for the district in which the well is located.