

Case No.

79

Application, Transcript,
Small Exhibits, Etc.

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June 24, 1946.

Case 79—

Oil Conservation Commission,
Santa Fe, New Mexico.

Attention: Mr. Carl B. Livingston,
Chief Clerk and Legal Adviser.

Dear Mr. Livingston:

On May 22, 1946, I forwarded you Amended Application for oil spacing in the Fulcher Basin Field to be filed in Case No. 79, entitled "In the Matter of the Spacing for Gas Wells in the Fulcher Basin Field, etc."

The applicant, Southern Union Production Company, does not desire to further proceed with said amended application, and an order may be entered dismissing the application without prejudice.

Yours very truly,

Manuel A. Sanchez

MAS/JF

cc to Mr. Van Thompson, Dallas, Texas;
Mr. J.R. Cole, Santa Fe, N.Mex.

STATE BUREAU OF MINES & MINERAL RESOURCES

Box 871

Santa Fe, New Mexico

JOHN M. KELLY
DIRECTOR

May 23, 1946

Mr. George F. Brundage
Mr. Al Greer
Mr. John A. Platts
Mr. C. H. Carwell
Mr. Robert L. Hadden
Mr. L. G. Stearns

Anteo, New Mexico

Continued:

Re: Case No. 77, Application of Southern Union
Production Company for an order providing
140-acre spacing for gas wells in Picher
Basin, San Juan County, New Mexico.

The above-captioned case, set for a hearing at Santa Fe, New
Mexico on June 7, 1946 at 10:00 A. M., has been vacated by
the petitioner, and an amended petition filed, somewhat en-
larging the Picher Basin gas field. The hearing upon the
matter will not be heard on June 7, but will be set at some
later date.

Very truly yours,

Chief Clerk and Legal Advisor

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cc: Manuel A. Sanchez

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May 22, 1946.

Mr. Carl B. Livingston,
Chief Clerk and Legal Adviser,
Oil Conservation Commission,
Santa Fe, New Mexico.

Dear Mr. Livingston:

Re: Case No. 79, Application of Southern
Union Production Company for an order
providing 160-acre spacing for gas wells
in Fulcher Basin, San Juan County.

This is to acknowledge receipt of your letter of May 20, 1946,
advising that the case has been set for hearing at Santa Fe, New Mexico,
on June 7, 1946, at 10:00 A.M.

Because of the fact that the Fulcher Basin area has increased
in size since the application in the above matter was filed on behalf of
Southern Union Production Company, I will have to file an amended appli-
cation for well spacing, and this letter will constitute a withdrawal of
the original application and request that the hearing on the matter be
vacated.

An amended petition will be filed in the matter so as to in-
clude all the area in the Fulcher Basin which should be included with
regard to the gas well spacing.

Yours very truly,

Manuel A. Sanchez

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SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

May 21, 1946.

Mr. Carl B. Livingston,
Chief Clerk and Legal Adviser,
Oil Conservation Commission,
Santa Fe, New Mexico.

Dear Mr. Livingston:

I enclose herewith amended application for well spacing in the Fulcher Basin Field. I will appreciate if the application is filed and notice is given as required by the statute.

Yours very truly,

Manuel A. Sanchez

MAS/JF
cc to Mr. J.R. Cole, Santa Fe, N.Mex.
Mr. Van Thompson, Dallas, Texas.

BEFORE THE OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO

IN THE MATTER OF THE SPACING FOR GAS
WELLS IN THE FULCHER BASIN FIELD,
WHICH BASIN IS DEFINED TO CONSIST OF
THE FOLLOWING LANDS: SECTIONS 34 and
35, TOWNSHIP 30 NORTH, RANGE 12 WEST,
N.M.P.M., SECTIONS 1, 2, 3, E $\frac{1}{2}$ 10,
11, 12 & 13, TOWNSHIP 29 NORTH, RANGE
12 WEST, N.M.P.M., SECTIONS 7, 17, 18,
19, 20 and 21, TOWNSHIP 29 NORTH,
RANGE 11 WEST, N.M.P.M.

Case No. 79.

AMENDED APPLICATION OF SOUTHERN UNION PRODUCTION COMPANY

Comes now Southern Union Production Company and hereby makes amended application for an order of the Oil Conservation Commission providing for 160 acre spacing for gas wells in the Fulcher Basin Field, and in support of said amended application, states:

1. That the Fulcher Basin Field has been considered as containing the area in the caption above described; that said field in fact comprises also the following lands: All of Sections 19, 20, 27, 28, 29, 30, 32, 33, Twp. 30 N., R. 12 W., and E $\frac{1}{2}$ Section 4, Twp. 29 N., R. 12 W.
2. That until on or about the 8th day of May, 1946, under orders of the Oil Conservation Commission, units in the above field in the caption herein described for spacing of wells consisted of 160 acres in an approximate square as defined by United States Public Land Surveys. One gas well permitted to each of said units and no well to be located closer than 330 ft to the exterior boundary of any such unit.
3. That on or about the 8th day of May, 1946, the Oil Conservation Commission rescinded the order providing for spacing as in the preceding paragraph stated.
4. That upon rescission of said order, the spacing of wells in said field as in the caption described consists of units of 40 acres.
5. That during the time that the 160 acre unit spacing was in effect from the 22nd day of June, 1943, to the 8th day of May, 1946, this applicant and many others drilled their wells on a 160 acre pattern, and that new drilling on the 40 acre pattern will interfere with the planned development of said basin, is not in the best interests of conservation, is not economical and imposes unnecessary and inequitable hardship upon this applicant and other parties who have operated on the 160 acre well spacing.

6. That much of the acreage of said basin comprises Federal Lands and that the agencies of the Federal Government interested therein are, as this applicant is advised, in favor of the 160 acre well spacing.

WHEREFORE, this applicant requests that a hearing on this application be had; that all parties in interest be advised thereof, and that upon hearing, the Commission order said Fulcher Basin increased to include the lands in paragraph 1 hereof described, and that upon hearing the Commission order well spacing on a basis of 160 acre units.

H.A. Kiker

Manuel P. Sanchez

Attorneys for Applicant. Southern
Union Production Company.
Santa Fe, New Mexico.

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION
STATE OF NEW MEXICO
OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

The Oil Conservation Commission, as provided by law, hereby gives notice of the following hearing to be held at Santa Fe, New Mexico at 10:00 A. M., June 7, 1946:

Case 79.

In the matter of the application of the Southern Union Production Company for an order providing for 160-acre spacing for gas wells in the Fulcher Basin Field, consisting of Sections 34 and 35, T. 30N, R. 12W, Sections 1, 2, 3, E $\frac{1}{2}$ 10, 11, 12 and 13, T. 29N, R. 12W, Sections 7, 17, 18, 19, 20 and 21, T. 29N, R. 11W, N.M.P.M., San Juan County, New Mexico.

Given under the seal of said Commission at Santa Fe, New Mexico on May 20, 1946.

OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

By:

R. R. Spurrier

R. R. Spurrier, Secretary

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STATE BUREAU OF MINES & MINERAL RESOURCES

Box 871

Santa Fe, New Mexico

JOHN M. KELLY
DIRECTOR

May 20, 1946

Mr. George F. Ransington
Mr. Al Grier
Mr. John A. Flannery
Mr. C. H. Corvill
Mr. Robert L. Walker
Mr. L. C. Stevens

Albuquerque, New Mexico

Gentlemen:

Re: Case No. 77, Application of Southern Union
Production Company for an order providing
minimum spending for gas wells in Federal
lands, San Juan County, New Mexico.

The above-captioned case has been set for hearing at Santa
Fe, New Mexico on June 7, 1946 at 10:00 A. M.

Very truly yours,

Chief Clerk and Legal Advisor

STATE BUREAU OF MINES & MINERAL RESOURCES

Box 871

Santa Fe, New Mexico

JOHN M. KELLY
DIRECTOR

May 20, 1946

Mamuel A. Sanchez, Esq.
Salmon Building
Santa Fe, New Mexico

Dear Mr. Sanchez:

Re: Case No. 79, Application of Southern Union
Production Company for an order providing
160-acre spacing for gas wells in Fulcher
Basin, San Juan County.

The above-captioned case has been set for hearing at Santa
Fe, New Mexico on June 7, 1946 at 10:00 A. M.

Will you please acknowledge receipt of this notice?

Very truly yours,

Chief Clerk and Legal Adviser

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STATE BUREAU OF MINES & MINERAL RESOURCES

Box 871

Santa Fe, New Mexico

JOHN M. KELLY
DIRECTOR

May 20, 1946

SPECIAL DELIVERY

Astec Independent Review
Astec, New Mexico

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Please proof-read the notice carefully and send a copy
of the paper carrying such notice.

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STATE BUREAU OF MINES & MINERAL RESOURCES
Box 871

Santa Fe, New Mexico

JOHN M. KELLY
DIRECTOR

May 20, 1946

The Santa Fe New Mexican
Santa Fe, New Mexico

Gentlemen:

Re: Notice of Publication - Case Nos. 76, 77,
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SALMON BUILDING
SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

May 14, 1946.

Mr. Carl B. Livingston,
Attorney,
Oil Conservation Commission,
Santa Fe, New Mexico.

Dear Mr. Livingston:

I enclose herewith application for well spacing in the Fulcher Basin Field. I hope that this will suffice for you to give the necessary notice and to bring about the matter to full hearing, and consideration by the Commission.

Any suggestions in connection with this matter will be greatly appreciated.

Yours very truly,

Manuel A. Sanchez

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BEFORE THE OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO

IN THE MATTER OF THE SPACING FOR GAS
WELLS IN THE FULCHER BASIN FIELD,
WHICH SPACING IS DEFINED TO CONSIST
OF THE FOLLOWING LANDS: SECTIONS
34 and 35, TOWNSHIP 30 NORTH, RANGE 12
WEST, N.M.P.M., SECTIONS 1, 2, 3,
E¹ 10, 11, 12 & 13, TOWNSHIP 29 NORTH,
RANGE 12 WEST, N.M.P.M., SECTIONS 7,
17, 18, 19, 20 and 21, TOWNSHIP 29
NORTH, RANGE 11 WEST, N.M.P.M.

Case No.

APPLICATION OF SOUTHERN UNION PRODUCTION COMPANY

Comes now Southern Union Production Company and makes application
for an order of the Oil Conservation Commission providing for 160 acre spacing
for gas wells in the Fulcher Basin Field, said basin to consist of the follow-
ing lands, to-wit: Sections 34 and 35, Township 30 North, Range 12 West,
N.M.P.M., Sections 1, 2, 3, E¹ 10, 11, 12 and 13, Township 29 North, Range
12 West, N.M.P.M., Sections 7, 17, 18, 19, 20 and 21, Township 29 North,
Range 11 West, N.M.P.M., and in support of said application states:

1. That until on or about the 8th day of May, 1946, under orders
of the Oil Conservation Commission, units in the above field for spacing of
wells consisted of 160 acres in an approximate square as defined by United
States Public Land Surveys. One gas well permitted to each of said units and
no well to be located closer than 330 ft to the exterior boundary of any such
unit.
2. That on or about the 8th day of May, 1946, the Oil Conservation
Commission rescinded the order providing for spacing as in the preceding para-
graph stated.
3. That upon rescission of said order, the spacing of wells in said
field consists of Units of 40 acres each.
4. That during the time that the 160 acre unit spacing was in effect
from the 22nd day of June, 1943, to the 8th day of May, 1946, this applicant
and many others drilled their wells on a 160 acre pattern, and that now drilling
on the 40 acre pattern will interfere with the planned development of said basin,
is not in the best interests of conservation, is not economical and imposes
unnecessary and inequitable hardship upon this applicant and other parties who
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5. That much of the acreage of said basin comprises Federal lands and that the agencies of the Federal Government interested therein are, as this applicant is advised, in favor of the 160 acre well spacing.

WHEREFORE, this applicant requests that a hearing on this application be had, and that all parties in interest be advised thereof, and that upon hearing the Commission order well spacing on a basis of 160 acre units.

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Attorneys for applicant

Southern Union Production Company