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permit Sam J. Moya & interested  
parties to show cause why Jones Wall  
No. 1 should not be played.

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plication, Transcript,  
all Exhibits, Etc.

# Memo

1-18-62

From

A. R. Kendrick  
Engineer

To R. S. MORRIS

You may need  
this when we go  
to court.

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Case file - 2388

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OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION  
1000 RIO BRAZOS ROAD  
AZTEC, NEW MEXICO 88501  
PLAIN OFFICE CCC

1962 JAN 12 AM 8:01

January 18, 1962

Mr. John J. Moya  
P.O. Box 1700  
Farmington, New Mexico

Re: John J. Moya # 1, Jones  
I-7-30N-11W Astec Pictured  
Cliffs Pool, San Juan County  
New Mexico.

Dear Mr. Moya:

We cannot approve the attached forms C-102 received January 12, 1962, for re-entry into subject well because of the following reasons:

- (1.) We approved form C-102, Intent to Plug and Abandon on December 28, 1961, filed by an agent for the bonding company.
- (2.) We had been advised the work would be accomplished on December 28, 1961.
- (3.) We have received a subsequent report of plugging operations as performed.
- (4.) Since the bonding company has plugged and abandoned subject well, they have accomplished their obligation and the bond is technically released.
- (5.) Before we can approve re-entry or the drilling of another well, a new plugging bond must be secured and approved by the Oil Commission.

If we can be of further service please contact us.

Yours very truly,

*A.R. Kendrick*  
A.R. Kendrick  
Engineer District # 3

ARK/bj

Encl:

cc: Oil Conservation Commission, Santa Fe, New Mexico  
Fidelity & Casualty Company of New York, % Miller Adjustment Service  
Farmington, New Mexico

Mr. Frank Yockey, Farmington, New Mexico  
File

NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION  
Santa Fe, New Mexico

## MISCELLANEOUS NOTICES

Submit this notice in TRIPLICATE to the District Office, Oil Conservation Commission, before the work specified is to begin. A copy will be returned to the sender on which will be given the approval, with any modifications considered advisable, or the rejection by the Commission or agent, of the plan submitted. The plan as approved should be followed, and work should not begin until approval is obtained. See additional instructions in the Rules and Regulations of the Commission.

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NOTICE OF INTENTION TO SQUEEZE		NOTICE OF INTENTION TO ACIDIZE		NOTICE OF INTENTION TO SHOOT (NITRO)	
NOTICE OF INTENTION TO GUN PERFORATE		NOTICE OF INTENTION Shifting Prod (OTHER) tubing	X	NOTICE OF INTENTION (OTHER)	

OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION  
SANTA FE, NEW MEXICOFarmington, N.M.  
(Place)11/2/62  
December 11, 1961  
(Date)

Gentlemen:

Following is a Notice of Intention to do certain work as described below at the JONES Well No 1

John J. Moya

Jones No 1

Well No. 1

in

(Unit)

(Company or Operator)

SE 1/4

SE

1/4 of Sec. 7

T. 30 N.

R. 11 W.

NMPM.

Aztec

Pool

(40-acre Subdivision)

Aztec

County

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

It is intended to pull production tubing out the hole and pull out perforated tube complete out the string which are now located 800 ft from the bottom joint and perhaps to obtain a better uplift action. Set X'mas tree and Intermeter back-in and wait to pressure built-up if pressure do not built-up then tube/will be changed until uplift action is obtained.

Approved....., 19.....  
Except as follows:Approved.....  
OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

By.....

Title.....

John J. Moya (Operator)

By.....

Position Field Engineer

Send Communications regarding well to:

Name John J. Moya

Address P.O. Box 1700- Farmington, New Mexico

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TRANSPORTER			
OPERATION OFFICE			
OPERATOR			

# NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

FORM C-103  
(Rev 3-55)

## MISCELLANEOUS REPORTS ON WELLS

(Submit to appropriate District Office as per Commission Rule 1106)

Name of Company <b>FIDELITY &amp; CASUALTY OF NEW YORK</b>		Address <b>108 N. Orchard, Farmington, N. Mex.</b>			
Lease <b>Jones</b>	Well No. <b>1</b>	Unit Letter <b>1</b>	Section <b>7</b>	Township <b>30N</b>	Range <b>11W</b>
Date Work Performed <b>12/28/61</b>	Pool <b>Aztec Pictured Cliffs</b>	County <b>San Juan</b>			

THIS IS A REPORT OF: (Check appropriate block)

- ☐ Beginning Drilling Operations
 ☐ Casing Test and Cement Job
 ☐ Other (Explain):
- ☒ Plugging
 ☐ Remedial Work

Detailed account of work done, nature and quantity of materials used, and results obtained.

This well was plugged & abandoned on 12-28-61 as follows:

40 sack cement plug was placed from 1700 to 2031 feet. Well was filled with heavy mud to 474 feet. 60 sack cement plug was placed from 474 feet to surface. This amended plugging plan was approved verbally by the New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission prior to setting of plugs.



Witnessed by <b>John Smock</b>	Position <b>Field Representative</b>	Company <b>Blackman Cementing Service</b>
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FILL IN BELOW FOR REMEDIAL WORK REPORTS ONLY

### ORIGINAL WELL DATA

D F Elev.	T D	P B T D	Producing Interval	Completion Date
Tubing Diameter	Tubing Depth	Oil String Diameter	Oil String Depth	
Perforated Interval(s)				
Open Hole Interval		Producing Formation(s)		

### RESULTS OF WORKOVER

Test	Date of Test	Oil Production BPD	Gas Production MCFPD	Water Production BPD	GOR Cubic feet/Bbl	Gas Well Potential MCFPD
Before Workover						
After Workover						

OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

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

Approved by <i>A. R. Kendrick</i>	Name
Title <b>PETROLEUM ENGINEER DIST. NO. 3</b>	Position
Date <b>JAN 15 1962</b>	Company <b>FIDELITY &amp; CASUALTY OF NEW YORK</b>

Name <i>Frank Yockley Agent</i>
Position
Company <b>FIDELITY &amp; CASUALTY OF NEW YORK</b>

## CEMENTING SERVICE TICKET

## Blackmon CEMENTING SERVICE

P. O. Box 1217

FARMINGTON, NEW MEXICO

No 189

DATE 12/28/61

WELL OWNER John J. Meyer

FARM WELL No Jones #1

COUNTY STATE San Juan NM

CHARGE TO Frank C. Coker

CONTRACTOR Frank C. Coker

STREET 821 Kristine Dr

ADDRESS 821 Kristine Dr.

CITY &amp; STATE Farmington N.M.

CITY &amp; STATE Farmington N.M.

TYPE OF JOB Plug &amp; Abandon

CEMENT LEFT IN CASING MEASURED WITH LINE

CASING FT. SIZE 5 1/2" WT.

PRESSURES: CIRC MIN MAX

HOLE SIZE DEPTH

150

FLOAT EQUIP. CENT. &amp; SCRATCHERS

PLUG BUMPED?

FLOAT COLLAR

PLUGS:

SHOE

TOP:

BOTTOM

CEMENT

AMOUNT:

WT.

KIND AND AMOUNT OF MIX

100

15.5

TRUCK CALLED OUT

ON JOB

JOB BEGAN

JOB COMPLETED

11 AM

12:30

2 PM

3 PM

SALE CHARGE

152.00

CEMENTER: W. D. Blackmon

MATERIAL

DRIVER: John D. Dyer

WAITING TIME

TRUCK:

ADD T. O. S. CHARGE

SUB TOTAL

TAX

TOTAL

3.04

155.04

Blackmon Cementing Service shall not be liable for damage to property of well owner and/or customer unless caused by its willful negligence, this provision applying but not limited to subsurface damage or surface damage arising from surface damage. Well owner and/or customer shall be responsible for repair, loss or damage to property of well owner and/or customer, unless such loss or damage is caused by the willful negligence of Blackmon Cementing Service. If equipment or instrument of Blackmon Cementing Service are lost or damaged at the well, well owner and/or customer shall either replace the same or pay to Blackmon Cementing Service the cost of replacement.

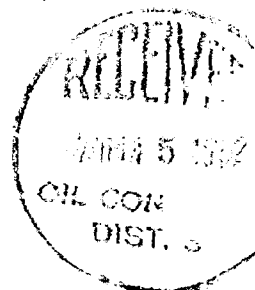
Well Owner, Operator or Contractor

Date:

Time:

REMARKS:

Spot 40 lbs Cement from T. L. to 1700' displace with mud. Spot 60 lbs Cement from 474' to Top.



NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION  
Santa Fe, New Mexico

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NOTICE OF INTENTION TO SQUEEZE		NOTICE OF INTENTION TO ACIDIZE		NOTICE OF INTENTION TO SHOOT (Nitro)	
NOTICE OF INTENTION TO GUN PERFORATE		NOTICE OF INTENTION (OTHER)		NOTICE OF INTENTION (OTHER)	

OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION  
SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

Aztec, New Mexico  
(Place)

December 27, 1961  
(Date)

Gentlemen:

Following is a Notice of Intention to do certain work as described below at the.....

John J. Moya Jones Well No. 1 in X I  
(Company or Operator) Lessee (Unit)  
NE 1/4 SE 1/4 of Sec. 7 T 30 N R11W NMPM, Aztec-Picture Cliff Pool  
(40-acre Subdivision)  
San Juan County.

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

Intend to plug well as follows:

Set 40 sacks cement plug from 2031' to 1700', fill with mud to 50'.

Set 10 sacks cement from 50' to surface.

Squeeze bradenhead with 30 sacks, reset well head.

Clean Location.



Approved..... 12-28, 1961  
Except as follows:

Approved  
OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

By.....  
Title.....

John J. Moya  
Company or Operator

By Fidelity & Casualty Co. of New York

Position.....  
Send Communications regarding well to:

Name Fidelity & Casualty Co. of New York

Address..... 108 N. Orchard, Farmington N. Mex.



OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION  
1000 RIO BRAZOS ROAD  
AZTEC, NEW MEXICO

Case  
2388

November 17, 1961

Mr. Van Miller  
Miller Adjustment Service  
108 North Orchard Avenue  
Farmington, New Mexico

Re: Juan J. Moya #1 Jones  
1650/S; 990/E, Sec. 7-T30N-R11W  
San Juan County, N.M.

Dear Mr. Miller:

The progress report you requested for subject well and Order R-2091 follows:

The operator has not contacted this office relative to subject well since Order R-2091 was issued. As of this date there is no indication of any plan to attempt to recomplete subject well as a producible well as provided by said order.

If we can be of further assistance, please contact us.

Yours very truly

A. R. Kendrick  
Engineer, District #3

cc: Mr. R. S. Morris  
OOC, Santa Fe, N.M.

Mr. Juan J. Moya  
Box 1700, Farmington, N.M.

Attachment

GOVERNOR  
EDWIN L. MECHEM  
CHAIRMAN

State of New Mexico  
**Oil Conservation Commission**



LAND COMMISSIONER  
E. S. JOHNNY WALKER  
MEMBER

STATE GEOLOGIST  
A. L. PORTER, JR.  
SECRETARY - DIRECTOR

P. O. BOX 871  
SANTA FE

October 16, 1961

Mr. George Verity  
152 Petroleum Center Building  
Farmington, New Mexico

Re: Case No. 2388  
Order No. R-2091  
Applicant:  
Oil Conservation Commission

Dear Sir:

Enclosed herewith are <sup>one copy</sup> ~~two~~ copies of the above-referenced  
Commission order recently entered in the subject case.

Very truly yours,

*A. L. Porter, Jr.*

A. L. PORTER, Jr.  
Secretary-Director

ir/

Carbon copy of order also sent to:

Hobbs OCC x

Artesia OCC       

Aztec OCC x

OTHER       

Mr. John J. Moya, P. O. Box 1700, Farmington, N. Mex.

# Memo

From

D. S. Nutter  
Chief Engineer

To

Seriously believe that  
any order such as  
this should be  
promulgated for the  
prevention of waste.  
(e.g.)  
prevention of drowning  
out a reservoir)

This order does not  
~~to~~ go into this at all.

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. 2388  
Order No. R-2091

IN THE MATTER OF THE HEARING  
CALLED BY THE OIL CONSERVATION  
COMMISSION TO PERMIT JUAN J.  
MOYA AND ALL INTERESTED PARTIES  
TO APPEAR AND SHOW CAUSE WHY  
THE JONES WELL NO. 1, SECTION 7,  
TOWNSHIP 30 NORTH, RANGE 11 WEST,  
SAN JUAN COUNTY, NEW MEXICO,  
SHOULD NOT BE PLUGGED.

ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

BY THE COMMISSION:

This cause came on for hearing at 9 o'clock a.m. on October 4, 1961, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Elvis A. Utz, Examiner duly appointed by the Oil Conservation Commission of New Mexico, hereinafter referred to as the "Commission," in accordance with Rule 1214 of the Commission Rules and Regulations.

NOW, on this 13th day of October, 1961, the Commission, a quorum being present, having considered the application, the evidence adduced, and the recommendations of the Examiner, Elvis A. Utz, 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 Jones Well No. 1, located 1650 feet from the South line and 990 feet from the East line of Section 7, Township 30 North, Range 11 West, NMPM, San Juan County, New Mexico, is owned and operated by Juan J. Moya, P. O. Box 1700, Farmington, New Mexico.

(3) That said Jones Well No. 1 is completed in the Aztec-Pictured Cliffs Gas Pool but has produced insufficient quantities of gas to be considered a commercial well.

(4) That other wells completed in the Aztec-Pictured Cliffs Gas Pool in the vicinity of the subject well are capable of producing gas in commercial quantities.

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CASE No. 2388  
Order No. R-2091

(5) That the evidence presented in this case indicates that the subject well is improperly completed and that, as a result thereof, there is danger that the Pictured Cliffs formation in said well could be infiltrated by ground water flowing into the well bore, thereby causing waste.

(6) That, accordingly, the subject well should be worked over and properly recompleted or plugged and abandoned.

(7) That in the event the operator desires to recomplete the subject well, such operations should commence by November 15, 1961, and be completed by January 15, 1962.

(8) That in the event such workover operations are not successful in obtaining production in commercial quantities, or in the event workover is not attempted, the subject well should be plugged in accordance with a Commission-approved program.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

(1) That the Jones Well No. 1, located 1650 feet from the South line and 990 feet from the East line of Section 7, Township 30 North, Range 11 West, N24E, San Juan County, New Mexico, shall be properly reworked by January 15, 1962, or plugged and abandoned by that date.

PROVIDED HOWEVER, That in the event the well is to be re-completed, such operations shall commence by November 15, 1961.

PROVIDED FURTHER, That in the event the well is to be plugged and abandoned, it shall be done in accordance with a Commission-approved plugging program.

(2) 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.

STATE OF NEW MEXICO  
OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

  
EDWIN L. MECHEM, Chairman

  
E. S. WALKER, Member

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

  
esr/

Case 2388

Heard. 10-4-61

Rec. 10-5-61

1. Order Moya to begin operations on repairing well by November 15, 61 and to complete operations by ~~Feb.~~ Jan. 15, 1962.

2. If a satisfactory H<sub>2</sub>O shut off is not accomplished then require the well to be plugged.

Ernest A. W. C.

DOCKET: EXAMINER HEARING - WEDNESDAY - OCTOBER 4, 1961

9:00 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 Daniel S. Nutter, as alternate examiner:

CONTINUED CASE

CASE 2367: Application of Skelly Oil Company for an unorthodox gas proration unit in the Jalmat Gas Pool, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks the establishment of a 320-acre non-standard gas proration unit in the Jalmat Gas Pool, consisting of the NE/4, NW/4 SE/4, N/2 SW/4 and SW/4 SW/4 of Section 17, Township 23 South, Range 37 East, Lea County, New Mexico; said unit is to be dedicated to the E. L. Steeler Well No. 7, located 1980 feet from the South line and 660 feet from the West line of said Section 17.

NEW CASES

CASE 2388: In the matter of the hearing called by the Oil Conservation Commission to permit Juan J. (John J.) Moya and all interested parties to appear and show cause why the Jones Well No. 1, located 1650 feet from the South line and 990 feet from the East line of Section 7, Township 30 North, Range 11 West, San Juan County, New Mexico, should not be plugged.

CASE 2389: Application of Shell Oil Company for approval of the Cabezon Unit Agreement, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval of the Cabezon Unit Agreement embracing lands in Townships 16 and 17 North, Ranges 2, 3 and 4 West, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico.

CASE 2390: Application of Continental Oil Company for a 320-acre non-Standard gas proration unit, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks the establishment of a 320-acre non-standard gas proration unit in the Jalmat Gas Pool, comprising the S/2 of Section 7, Township 23 South, Range 37 East, Lea County, New Mexico, said unit to be dedicated to the Stevens B-7 Well No. 1, located 990 feet from the South and West lines of said Section 7.

CASE 2391: Application of Continental Oil Company for a 320-acre non-standard gas proration unit, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks the establishment of a 320-acre non-standard gas proration unit in the Jalmat Gas Pool, comprising the S/2 of Section 25, Township 23 South, Range 36 East, Lea County, New Mexico, said unit to be dedicated to the Lynn B-25 Well No. 2, located 990 feet from the South and West lines of said Section 25.

CASE 2392: Application of Continental Oil Company for a 240-acre non-standard gas proration unit, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks the establishment of a 240-acre non-standard gas proration unit in the Jalmat Gas Pool, comprising the NW/4 and W/2 NE/4 of Section 23, Township 22 South, Range 36 East, Lea County, New Mexico, said unit to be dedicated to the Meyer B-23 Well No. 3, located 1980 feet from the North line and 660 feet from the West line of said Section 23.

CASE 2393: Application of Continental Oil Company for a 240-acre non-standard gas proration unit, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks the establishment of a 240-acre non-standard gas proration unit in the Jalmat Gas Pool, comprising the SE/4 and E/2 NE/4 of Section 23, Township 22 South, Range 36 East, Lea County, New Mexico, said unit to be dedicated to the Meyer B-23 Well No. 2, located 990 feet from the South line and 1650 feet from the East line of said Section 23.

CASE 2394: Application of Hondo Oil & Gas Company for permission to directionally drill, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks permission to directionally drill a well to be located 2310 feet from the North line and 1980 feet from the East line of Section 26, Township 17 South, Range 28 East, Eddy County, New Mexico.

CASE 2395: Application of Nash, Windfohr & Brown for the establishment of a limiting gas-oil ratio in the Jackson-Abo Pool, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks the establishment of a limiting gas-oil ratio of 4000: 1 in the Jackson-Abo Pool in Township 17 South, Range 30 East, Eddy County, New Mexico.



CASE 2396: Application of C. W. Trainer for an unorthodox oil well location, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks permission to locate his Hobbs Well No. 1 at an unorthodox oil well location in the Hobbs Pool, 2545 feet from the North line and 1184 feet from the East line of Section 34, Township 18 South, Range 38 East, Lea County, New Mexico.

CASE 2397: Application of Reading and Bates, Inc. for a temporary exception to Rule 107 (d), Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks a temporary exception to Rule 107 (d) to permit the production of oil from its Simms Federal Well No. 1 located in Section 34, Township 18 South, Range 30 East, North Benson Queen Pool, Eddy County, New Mexico, without installing tubing.

CASE 2398: Application of Ford Chapman for a 42.35-acre non-standard oil proration unit, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks the establishment of a 42.35-acre non-standard oil proration unit in an undesignated Delaware pool comprising Lot 12, Section 34 and Lot 9, Section 35, all in Township 26 South, Range 29 East, Eddy County, New Mexico, said unit to be dedicated to the Curtis Hankamer Gulf-Federal Pipkin No. 1 Well, located 330 feet from the South line and 605 feet from the East line of said Section 34.

CASE 2399: Application of Texaco Inc. for an unorthodox oil well location, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval of an unorthodox oil well location in the Paduca- Delaware Pool for its Cotton Draw Unit Well No. 54, located 1980 feet from the North line and 2339 feet from the East line of Section 28, Township 25 South, Range 32 East, Lea County, New Mexico.

CASE 2400: Application of Texaco Inc. for a triple completion, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks permission to complete its C. H. Weir "A" Well No. 7, located in Unit L, Section 12, Township 20 South, Range 37 East, Lea County, New Mexico, as a triple completion in the Eumont Gas, Skaggs-Glorieta, and Skaggs-Drinkard Pools, with production of oil from the Drinkard and Glorieta zones to be through parallel strings of 2 3/8 inch tubing and the production of gas from the Eumont Gas Pool through the tubing-casing annulus.

**NOTICE OF HEARING**

TO THE FIDELITY AND CASUALTY COMPANY OF NEW YORK  
1122 UNIVERSITY BUILDING  
DENVER 2, COLORADO

THROUGH R. F. APODACA, SUPERINTENDENT OF INSURANCE,  
STATE OF NEW MEXICO

Please take notice that the following case will be heard before a duly appointed examiner at 9 o'clock a.m. on October 4, 1961, in the Oil Conservation Commission Conference Room, State Land Office Building, Santa Fe, New Mexico.

**CASE 2382:**

In the matter of the hearing called by the Oil Conservation Commission to permit Juan J. (John J.) Noya and all interested parties to appear and show cause why the Jones Well No. 1, located 1650 feet from the South line and 990 feet from the East line of Section 7, Township 30 North, Range 11 West, San Juan County, New Mexico, should not be plugged.

STATE OF NEW MEXICO  
OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

/s/ A. L. Porter, Jr.  
A. L. PORTER, Jr.  
Secretary-Director

S E A L

I hereby certify that the original and two copies of this notice of hearing were served on R. F. Apodaca, Superintendent of Insurance, State of New Mexico, on this 15th day of September, 1961.

Richard S. Morris

**OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION**  
1000 RIO BRAZOS ROAD  
AZTEC, NEW MEXICO

*File 2388*

September 12, 1961

Fidelity & Casualty Company of New York  
c/o Miller Adjustment Service  
108 North Orchard  
Farmington, New Mexico

Attn: Mr. Leonard V. Miller

Dear Sir:

Please refer to our letter of July 21, 1961 regarding your  
plugging responsibility for the John J. Moya #1 Jones well in  
the NE1/4 Section 7-30N-11W.

I have contacted the Commission attorney in Santa Fe and a case  
will be advertised for hearing in the near future to have John J.  
Moya show cause why this well should not be properly plugged  
and abandoned. After this case has been heard and an order  
entered we will issue you further instructions, in order that  
you may perform under your bond.

Yours very truly

Emery C. Arnold  
Supervisor, District #3

ECa:ks

cc: Mr. Richard Morris  
OCC, Santa Fe, N.M.

Mr. John J. Moya  
Albuquerque, N.M.

BEFORE THE  
OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION  
Santa Fe, New Mexico  
October 4, 1961

EXAMINER HEARING

IN THE MATTER OF:

The hearing called by the Oil Conservation Commission to permit Juan J. (John J.) Moya and all interested parties to appear and show cause why the Jones Well No. 1, located 1650 feet from the South line and 990 feet from the East line of Section 7, Township 30 North, Range 11 West, San Juan County, New Mexico, should not be plugged.

CASE NO.  
2388

BEFORE: Elvis A. Utz, Examiner

TRANSCRIPT OF HEARING

EXAMINER UTZ: We will call Case No. 2388.

MR. MORRIS: In the matter of the hearing called by the Oil Conservation Commission to permit Juan J. (John J.) Moya and all interested parties to appear and show cause why the Jones Well No. 1, located 1650 feet from the South line and 990 feet from the East line of Section 7, Township 30 North, Range 11 West, San Juan County, New Mexico, should not be plugged.

If the Examiner please, I would like to deviate slightly from the normal procedure in a Show Cause Hearing and ask Mr. Arnold to be permitted to take the stand for the purpose of explaining the purpose of calling this case.

EXAMINER UTZ: You may do so.

DEARNLEY-MEIER REPORTING SERVICE, Inc.

PHONE CH 3-6691

ALBUQUERQUE, NEW MEXICO



DEARNLEY-MEIER REPORTING SERVICE, Inc.  
FARMINGTON, N. M.  
PHONE 325-1182

ALBUQUERQUE, N. M.  
PHONE 243-3691

Are there other appearances in this case?

MR. VERITY: George L. Verity, representing Southwest Production Company.

MR. MOYA: Juan Moya.

EXAMINER UTZ: Are there any others?

You may proceed.

(Witness sworn.)

E. C. ARNOLD,

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

DIRECT EXAMINATION

BY MR. MORRIS:

Q Mr. Arnold, will you state your name and position for the record, please.

A E. C. Arnold, supervisor of District Three of the New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission.

Q Mr. Arnold, are you familiar with Case No. 2388 called by the Commission?

A Yes, sir.

Q What is the general purpose of this case?

A The purpose of this case is to have the operator of the Jones No. 1 Well, John J. Moya --

Q Would you identify that well, please?

A John J. Moya No. 1 Jones Well located in the Southwest Quarter, Section 7, Township 30 North, Range 11 West, San Juan



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County. The purpose of this case is to have the operator show cause why the well should not be either worked and put back on production or plugged in and abandoned.

Q Mr. Arnold, is this well located in the area directly under your supervision as the district supervisor of the Aztec District Office of the Commission?

A Yes.

Q As reflected by the well files of the Commission, would you outline the history of this well?

A The well was spotted on 7-9-52 and was finally completed 1-3-54; total depth, 2,031 feet. 10 3/4-inch casing was set 100 feet and cemented with 160 sacks. 5 1/2-inch casing was set and cemented with 150 sacks. The top of the Pictured Cliffs Formation was 1993 feet; IP 315 MCF per day; shut-in casing pressure, 135 pounds, 14 days.

Q This well, Mr. Arnold, is completed in the Aztec Pictured Cliffs Gas Pool?

A That's right. It was first connected on February 4th, 1955. Actually, I have determined that there must be something mechanically wrong with the well from a review of the production history.

Q Would you go through the production history by years from the date of first connection.

A Well first reported approximately in March, 1955. Total 1955 production was 31,536 MCF. Total 1956 production was



254 MCF; total 1957 production was 61 MCF.

There was no production recorded in 1958 or 1959.

1960 production was 147 MCF.

No production has been reported in 1961, through August 1st.

Total cumulated production is 31,998 MCF.

Q Mr. Arnold, from looking at these production figures, would you say that this well was a commercial well, a gas well?

A No, I wouldn't say that it is.

Q Are there surrounding wells in the surrounding area that are also in the Aztec Pictured Cliffs Gas Pool?

A Yes, sir. The surrounding wells indicate that the Pictured Cliffs Formation in this immediate area is productive. The surrounding wells have shown good production during a five- or six-year period.

Q Are the wells in the immediate area producing from the same formation, commercial gas wells?

A Yes, sir.

Q What would that lead you to believe with reference to the completion of the subject well?

A It leads me to believe there is something mechanically wrong with this well, that it is probably loading up with water, and that being the case, it may be injuring production from the formation. For that reason, I think the well should be either worked over in such a manner that we secure a water shut-off or

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that it be permanently plugged and abandoned.

Q Mr. Arnold, has a work-over operation on this well ever been attempted and reported to you?

A Yes. In April of 1960, a notice of intention to work-over was filed by the operator, stating that he intended to swab the water out of the well in an attempt to put it back on production. We didn't receive a subsequent report of work-over. However, I do know that a rig was moved on the well. However, it doesn't appear to have any lasting results.

Q As shown by the production reports that work-over must have been unsuccessful?

A That's right.

Q Mr. Arnold, would you tell the Examiner what attempts you have made to contact Mr. Moya to get him or his successors in interest in this well to work the well over or plug it?

A Yes. On April 27, 1961, I wrote a letter to Mr. Moya informing him that we were directing him to work the well over or plug the well. I didn't receive any response to this letter.

Q Is the letter part of the well files on the subject well?

A Yes.

MR. MORRIS: I ask that the Examiner take administrative notice of the contents of the well files on the subject well.

EXAMINER UTZ: We will do so.

Q (By Mr. Morris) Continue, please.





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A On July 21st I wrote a letter to Fidelity Casualty Co. of New York with a copy of the letter to Mr. Moya, informing the bonding company to take action within sixty days to properly plug and abandon the well.

Q Did you receive a reply from the bonding company?

A Yes. They sent a representative by our office, and they are at this time ready to perform under their bond.

Q Before your letter to Mr. Moya of April 27 of this year, had you previously made numerous attempts to contact him to no avail?

A Yes, over a period of time we have contacted him.

Q To date, you have received little, if any, cooperation from the operator of this well to work the well over or plug and abandon it?

A That's correct.

Q What action do you recommend be taken on this well at this time?

A I recommend that the Commission require the operator to begin remedial operations within thirty days, and that within ninety days we require that the well either be successfully worked to our satisfaction or plugged and abandoned.

Q "Successfully worked over to our satisfaction", generally meaning worked over and completed as a commercial gas well and put on production?

A That's right, with a successful water shut-off.



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Q Mr. Arnold, in the event the operator of this well or the bonding company desires to plug the well, do you stand ready to furnish a plugging program for the well?

A Yes.

Q Upon request, you will furnish that plugging program?

A That is Form C-102, which should be filed indicating plugging plans would be approved.

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

A No, I don't believe so.

MR. MORRIS: If the Examiner please, that concludes the Direct Examination of Mr. Arnold.

After Cross Examination, if any, I would think it proper for the operator of the well, if he so desires, to present such testimony as he would like.

EXAMINER UTZ: He will have that opportunity.

# EXAMINATION

## BY EXAMINER UTZ:

Q Mr. Arnold, where do you feel the water is coming from, below the Pictured Cliffs?

A I would rather think it's coming from above the Pictured Cliffs.

Q Therefore, you feel that very likely there has been an improper cement job?

A I would imagine so.

Q Do other wells in this area have any water problems?



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A Well, several wells have water problems. We know there is water above the Pictured Cliffs, not very far from the Pictured Cliffs. In some cases when the cement casing does not shut the water off on the first attempt, it sometimes requires squeeze jobs. However, the offset wells to this well at the present time do not show any signs of producing large amounts of water.

Q This water would be in the ~~also~~ *also*?

A There are a number of sands in the formation above the Pictured Cliffs which carry water. It would be a little bit hard to pinpoint any given well.

Q In other words, there is plenty of water above the cliffs, necessitating a proper completion job?

A That's right.

Q In order to shut it off?

A That's right.

EXAMINER UTZ: Are there any other questions of the witness?

#### EXAMINATION

BY MR. NUTTER:

Q Mr. Arnold, what actual evidence do you have that this well is loading up with water?

A Mainly from the fact of its over-producing history. I have observed that it has produced quite a large amount of water. It was necessary to blow the well down to put it on production. It so happens the well is located within about four blocks of the



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office, so it's easy to observe. Also, the operator filed his notice of intention to work over in April, and the well appears to waterlog, losing pressure and gas output. He intends to bail water in order to unload the well and resume original gas production.

I presume the operator is also aware that it is loading up with water.

Q What would be necessary to work the well over, Mr. Arnold, to perforate the casing and squeeze some cement in there above the top of the cliff?

A Actually, the way the well was completed, the pipe was originally set about the top of the cliffs formation, and for some reason the casing was actually set about 10 feet high, which may have caused part of the trouble. I believe sometime after this a liner was installed to some deeper depth. Our record doesn't reflect at what depth. It might be possible that this liner could be squeezed. I don't know what shape it's going to be in.

Q Do the well files indicate that any water was encountered in drilling the well?

A Well, of course, these wells were drilled using mud as a drilling fluid. It is a little bit hard to pinpoint what might be producing water simply from an electrical log.

Q Do you have a log for this well or for the wells in the area?

A Yes.



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Q Is water sand indicated to be present?

A The land formation in this area produces water.

Q Is it a characteristic of the Pictured Cliffs Formation in this area to produce water?

A Some small amount of water, yes.

Q Is it normally enough to load a well up?

A No.

MR. NUTTER: I see.

Thank you.

EXAMINER UTZ: Mr. Moya?

EXAMINATION

BY MR. MOYA:

Q Mr. Arnold, did you ever see water flowing out from the well?

A Not for a long time.

Q Well, actually, there has not been much water to speak of?

A I don't believe the well has been producing at all for the last year. Actually, I doubt there is a flow of water or any thing at the moment.

Q You say it appears in the records there in Form C-102 that I re-worked the well in 1960. I sent you a report reading that we have water in the well, but does your record show that we found any water in this well at all?

A I don't seem to find a work-over report.



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Q For your information, there is no water in the well. I bailed for twenty-six hours, and not much water come out.

A I'd be happy if you'd file a report to that effect. The well record would be more complete.

Q Do you know that this particular well produced over a million cubic feet of gas --

A Yes, I know --

Q -- in 1954?

A -- that it did pretty well for a very short period of time.

Q Do you know that this well produced over 30,000,000 cubic feet of gas in about eight months the first year?

A Yes, I testified to that.

Q This well was worked in 1960, do you know, and I was contemplating to re-work it this year again by directional drilling. I mailed you, yesterday morning, a copy of Form C-103, which I don't know if you have it -- you probably don't have it yet -- I have the copy here which shows I request from you to pull the 1-inch tubing and clean out the casing for October, 1961.

Can you tell the Commission, if you know, if you have any idea, why this well was never re-worked in 1957, 1958, 1959?

A Why wasn't it?

Q Yes.

A You would probably be in a better position to tell that to the Commission than I would, being the operator. Actually, the



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case should have been docketed a considerable time earlier.

MR. MOYA: That's all.

RE-DIRECT EXAMINATION

BY MR. MORRIS:

Q Mr. Arnold, in your letters to Mr. Moya, in particular the letter of April 27th, 1961, what address did you use for Mr. Moya at that time?

A At what time?

Q The last letter that you wrote to Mr. Moya, to what address was that mailed?

A 323 Tulane Drive, S.E., Albuquerque, which was the last available address we had.

Q Where did you obtain that address?

A I believe from production reports which Mr. Moya filed with us on some other producing wells that he has.

MR. MORRIS: That's all.

MR. MOYA: Mr. Arnold, 323 Tulane Drive used to be my office address, my home. I was in this bankruptcy two years ago and the report shows that Farmington is my address, Post Office Box 1700.

MR. NUTTER: That is your present address?

MR. MOYA: Yes.

THE WITNESS: Did you receive our letter of April 27th?

MR. MOYA: No, I did not, sir. I didn't get back for about forty-five days ago from Chile.



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THE WITNESS: What should be your mailing address?

MR. MOYA: Post Office Box 1700 in Farmington. The address is 507 North Behrend; that's the office.

MR. MORRIS: That concludes the examination of Mr. Arnold. I have no further questions.

Does Mr. Moya desire to make a statement to the Examiner?

MR. MOYA: Yes, sir, I would like to.

MR. MORRIS: Just a minute. If you do, I'd like to have you sworn.

(Witness sworn.)

MR. MOYA: I would like to request a ninety-day continuance in order to re-work this well.

MR. MORRIS: You are presenting that in the form of a motion?

THE WITNESS: In the form of a request.

MR. MORRIS: If the Examiner please, Mr. Arnold has testified that he would recommend to the Commission a thirty-day period within which to commence work-over operations, to be completed within ninety days, or have the well plugged at the end of the ninety-day period. This request does not seem inconsistent with Mr. Moya's, that he have ninety days to have the well back on production, and for that reason, Mr. Moya's request for a continuance for ninety days would be perfectly satisfactory to the staff, providing some requirement be made that he start work-over





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operations within a thirty-day period.

EXAMINER UTZ: Mr. Morris, could not an order be issued in this case stating that he should start work within thirty days and complete such work within ninety days?

MR. MORRIS: I think it could.

EXAMINER UTZ: Mr. Moya, what type of work do you intend to perform on this well?

MR. MOYA: This well don't appear to have too much water to speak of. I intend to go with a diamond drill and drill through the liner. The coring, it showed that the line had dropped into the bottom of the hole, with a subsequent cavein. We did bail the well last year and didn't have very much water, maybe eight or nine barrels water. We intend now to re-run again an Eastman survey and go with a small drill through the cavein, perhaps to test the well. This well is a good well. The reason I request ninety days is the forty-acre farm which is cultivated pretty well. It is, except during October, November, December and January; and on certain occasions, we -- like last year, we had to put up a <sup>Barn</sup> to safeguard the damage to this land. Altogether, we have spent over \$70,000. It was to us an advantage to start drilling, to do this work in October or the first part of November.

In 1957 and also 1958, the owner of this land padlocked the gate and refused to let us come into the well and keep certain "No Trespassing" signs posted. I didn't make any intention to re-work. It was to their advantage and also to mine.



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By the lawyer, they advised me of the order that will permit me to get into the location. I got into the well on the legal instrument which they didn't bother me. Nevertheless, I still have to have a bond with a promise that we re-work this well. That would be done late in the year; and the mechanical things I can tell you exactly right now. When we get into the casing -- by the way, this well, in 1958 and '59, I bailed the water. I spent many, many hours there and never see much water.

That's the history.

# EXAMINATION

## BY EXAMINER UTZ:

Q Why didn't you put an intimeter on it?

A Just to my partner; there was a change; we disagreed.

Q So, the reason you didn't re-work the well from 1956 to 1960 is because of your disagreement with the past owner?

A Yes, sir.

Q Why haven't you worked the well since 1960?

A Yes, sir. I have here a letter from the Loman Oil Well Service. I talked to them in June, July, with the intention to -- I could have one of their rigs to come in and do this work. I have one copy here of August 15, the estimated cost of the well and the estimated cost to drill the well.

MR. MORRIS: For the record --

THE WITNESS: Can I read this letter into the record?

"Loman Oil Well Service, Inc., Farmington, New Mexico;



signed by Mr. Bill J. Loman, addressed to Juan Moya, Farmington, New Mexico; reference Moya Jones No. 1.

"Gentlemen -- dated August 15, 1961 -- Gentlemen: We estimate the cost to pull 1-inch tubing casing, swab and re-run tubing in the above captioned well at \$500, without any complications. This estimate includes casing, swabbing material."

# EXAMINATION

BY MR. NUTTER:

Q You stated something about this cultivated field. What kind of crops do they grow there?

A Alfalfa.

Q When is the last harvest of alfalfa in this field?

A I could not tell you exactly. I went by there last week and there was still three, four inches of grass on one side and corn on the other side, which could be for feed; I couldn't tell you exactly, but the owner say we done considerable damage.

Q Is there a road crossing the field to the well?

A There is no road; you just drive over; that's all.

Q Drive over the alfalfa?

A Yes, and we found out it is also true in doing this in June or July, August -- you know, this is irrigation land there. and the farmers there, they have different kinds of crops. They just flood the ground completely, so it is pretty hard to even walk there without getting in the mud. The hole there is real soft.

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Q You feel, from the present date, October 4th, that for ninety days there is not going to be any crops in there and you would be able to get in?

A Yes, sir. I already reach this agreement with the farmer. They broke the lease themselves four years ago, and we want to work the well now because I like to spend in Farmington the summer and fall, and I told them it was for their benefit. I think they come down a little bit.

MR. NUTTER: Thank you.

# EXAMINATION

BY MR. MORRIS:

Q Do you realize now that if the Commission enters an order such as we have been talking about here today, you would have thirty days to start work-over operations and ninety days from the date of the order to either have the well successfully worked over and producing as a commercial well or have the well plugged by the end of that ninety-day period? Do you think you could accomplish that?

A Yes, sir.

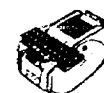
MR. MORRIS: That's all.

# EXAMINATION

BY EXAMINER UTZ:

Q What type of liner do you have in this well now?

A I got a 4-inch line, 5 1/2-inch casing. It don't sound too practical, but it is.



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Q How long is the liner?

A I believe it is twenty feet.

Q This is in the bottom of the hole now?

A Yes, I believe so.

EXAMINER UTZ: Are there any other questions of the witness?

EXAMINATION

BY MR. VERITY:

Q Mr. Moya, do you think you can start to re-work this well within thirty days?

A I think forty-five days would be better. I drilled this well myself and I know what the condition is out there. I think when the ground is froze, I think it's a better result. Fifteen days will make a difference.

I believe that forty-five days would be better. I want to produce the well. It don't seem to have much water there.

MR. VERITY: That's all.

EXAMINATION

BY EXAMINER UTZ:

Q Mr. Moya, how much gas do you think this well would have to produce in order to make it a commercial venture?

A I hope it will be a good one, sir. As far as I am concerned, it should produce at least \$55 a year -- royalty, I am talking about, one-eighth royalty, that was required in order to keep this well alive.

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Nevertheless, I would be satisfied if the well produced at least between 100,000 to 300,000 cubic feet of gas.

EXAMINER UTZ: Are there any other questions of the witness?

If not, the witness may be excused.

(Witness excused.)

EXAMINER UTZ: Are there any other statements in this case?

If not, the case will be taken under advisement.

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