CASE 2551: Application of TEXACO for a triple completion of its G. L. ERWIN "A" WELL NO. 1-UNIT N.

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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

May 28, 1962

| | Re: Case No. 2551 | |
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| | Order No. R-2247 | ir. Charlie White |
| | Applicant: | Bilbert, White & Gilbert P. O. Box 1713 |
| | Texaco Inc. | lanta Fe, New Mexico |
| - | Texaco Inc. | • |

Dear Sir:

Enclosed herewith are two copies of the above-referenced Commission order recently entered in the subject case.

A. L. PORTER, Jr.
Secretary-Director

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| Carbon copy of order also sent to: |
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| Artesia OCC |
| Aztec OCC |
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BEFORE THE OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO

IN THE MATTER OF THE HEARING CALLED BY THE OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION OF NEW MEXICO FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONSIDERING:

> CASE No. 2551 Order No. x-2247

APPLICATION OF TEXACO INC. FOR A TRIPLE COMPLETION, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

BY THE COMMISSION:

This cause came on for hearing at 9 o'clock a.m. on May 10, 1962, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Daniel S. Nutter, 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 28th day of May, 1962, the Commission, a quorum being present, having considered the application, the evidence adduced, and the recommendations of the Examiner, Daniel S. Nutter, and being fully advised in the premises,

FINDS:

- (1) That due public notice having been given as required by law, the Commission has jurisdiction of this cause and the subject matter thereof.
- (2) That the applicant, Texaco Inc., seeks permission to complete its G. L. Erwin "A" Well No. 1, located in Unit N, Section 35, Township 24 South, Range 37 East, NMPN, Lea County, New Mexico, as a triple completion (tubingless) in the North Justis-Devonian, North Justis Tubb-Drinkard and North Justis-Blinebry Pools with the production of oil from all zones to be through parallel strings of 2 7/8-inch, 2 3/8-inch, and 2 7/8-inch casing, respectively, cemented in a common well bore.
- (3) That the mechanics of the proposed triple completion are feasible and in accord with good conservation practices.
- (4) That approval of the subject application will neither cause waste nor impair correlative rights.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

(1) That the applicant, Texaco Inc., is hereby authorized to complete its G. L. Erwin "A" Well No. 1, located in Unit N, Section 35, Township 24 South, Range 37 East, NMPM, Lea County,

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New Mexico, as a triple completion (tubingless) in the North Justis-Devonian, North Justis Tubb-Drinkard and North Justis-Blinebry Pools with the production of oil from all zones to be through parallel strings of casing cemented in a common well bore.

PROVIDED HOWEVER. That the applicant shall complete, operate, and produce said well in accordance with the provisions of Rule 112-A of the Commission Rules and Regulations.

PROVIDED FURTHER, That the applicant shall take zone segregation tests upon completion and annually thereafter during the Gas-Oil Ratio Test Period for the Devonian formation.

(2) That jurisdiction of this cause is retained for the entry of such further orders as the Commission may deem necessary.

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

> STATE OF NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

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EDWIN L. MECHEM, Chairman

E. S. WALKER, Member

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

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TEXACO

PETROLEUM PRODUCTS



P. O. Box 728 Hobbs, New Mexico April 10, 1962

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

Re: Application for Triple Tubingless Completion, G. L. Erwin "a" Well No. 1, Lea County, New Mexico

Attention: Mr. A. L. Porter, Jr.

Gentlemen:

Attached is Texaco's Application for Triple Tubingless Completion for its G. L. Erwin "a" Well No. 1 located 330 feet from the south line and 2310 feet from the west line Section 35, Township 24 South, Range 37 East, Lea County, New Mexico. Texaco plans to complete this well as a triple tubingless oil completion in the North Justis-Devonian, North Justis-Tubb Drinkard, and North Justis-Blinebry Pools. It is anticipated that all zones will be oil completions and will flow initially. Approval has been granted previously by the New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission for these zones in other wells in the North Justis area.

Also attached is a copy of the plat showing the area immediately surrounding Texaco's G. L. Erwin "a" Lease and a diagrammatic sketch of the proposed triple tubingless completion.

It is respectfully requested that TEXACO Inc. be granted administrative approval for this application as provided for under Rule 112 A.

Yours very truly,

H. N. Wade

Assistant District Superintendent

ODB-MSV

cc: NMOCC - Hobbs Offset Operators

Attachments

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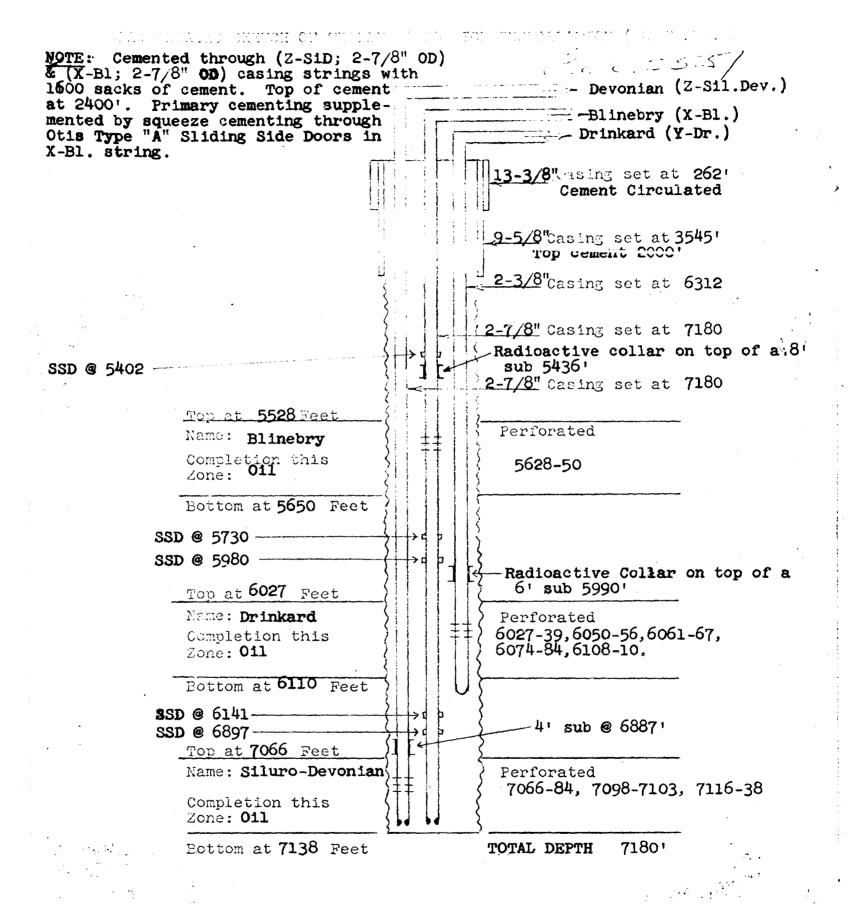
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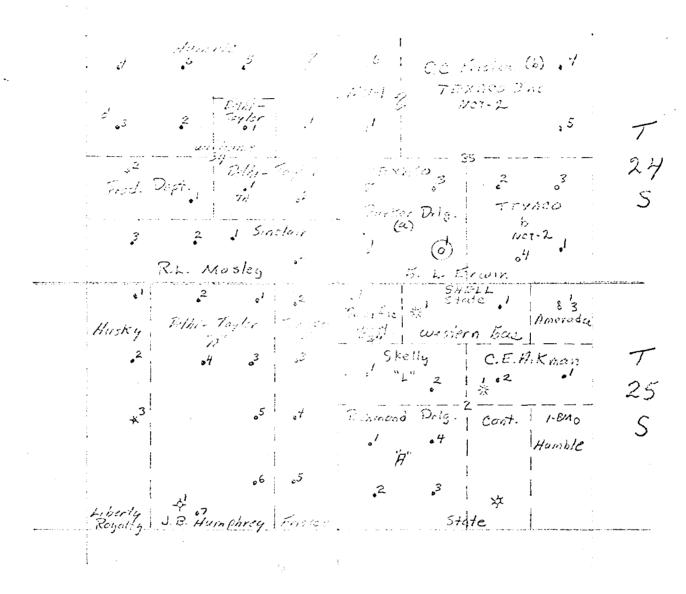
Application for Triple Completion, Item 2. (Cont'd.)

- R-2121 J. C. Milliamson, westates Federal Well No. 5 (Blinebry and Tubb-Drinkard)
- R-2109 TEXACO Inc., G. L. Erwin "b" NCT-2 Well No. 2 (Ellenburger, McKee, Fusselman, Devonian and Tubb-Drinkard)



TEMACO Inc.

LEASE: G. L. Erwin (a) Well No. 1
FIELD: North Justis (Devonian, Tubb-Drinkard, Blinebry)
DATE: April 5, 1962



PLAT OF TEXACO Ind. G. E. BRUIN (a) LEASE
AND OFFSET HEASES
Lea County, New Mexico
Scale 18 = 2000'

OFFSET OPPERATORS

Shell Oil Corporation, Box 1858, Roswell, New Mexico Sinclair Oil & Gas Company, Box 1470, Midland, Texas Delhi-Taylor Oil Corporation, Box 1821, Migland, Texas Humble Oil and Refining Company, P. O. Box 2347, Hobbs, New Mexico

DOCKET: EXAMINER HEARING - THURSDAY - MAY 10, 1962

OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION - 9 A.M. - MORGAN HALL, STATE LAND OFFICE BUILDING SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

The following cases will be heard before Daniel S. Nutter, Examiner, or Elvis A. Utz, as alternate examiner:

CASE 2547:

Application of Pan American Petroleum Corporation for a triple completion, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order authorizing the triple completion (conventional) of its Greenwood Unit Well No. 7, located in Unit H, Section 12, Township 19 South, Range 31 East, Eddy County, New Mexico, in such a manner as to permit the production of oil from undesignated Strawn, Wolfcamp, and Bone Spring pools through parallel strings of tubing.

CASE 2548:

Application of Pan American Petroleum Corporation for an exception to Order No. R-660, Caprock-Queen Pool, Chaves County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an exception to the Special Rules and Regulations of the Caprock-Queen Pool, Order No. R-660, for the assignment of a gas allowable equivalent to the total reservoir voidage of a top allowable oil well producing at the limiting GOR of 2000: 1 for its State "AK" Well No. 1 located in Unit N, Section 19, Township 15 South, Range 31 East, Chaves County, New Mexico.

CASE 2549:

Application of Cities Service Petroleum Company for a dual completion, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks permission to complete its Hodges B Well No. 4, located in Unit M of Section 1, Township 25 South, Range 37 East, Lea County, New Mexico, as a dual completion (conventional) in the North Justis Tubb-Drinkard Pool and Devonian formation adjacent to the North Justis-Devonian Pool with the production of oil from each zone to be through parallel strings of 2 3/8-inch tubing.

CASE 2550:

Application of Texaco Inc., for a quadruple completion, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks permission to complete its G. L. Erwin "B" NCT-2 Well No. 4. located in Unit O of Section 35, Township 24 South, Range 37 East, Lea County, New Mexico, as a quadruple completion (tubingless) in the North Justis-Fusselman, North Justis-Devonian, North Justis Tubb-Drinkard and North Justis-

Blinebry Pools, with the production of oil from all zones to be through parallel strings of small diameter casing cemented in a common well bore.

CASE 2551:

Application of Texaco (nc., for a triple completion, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks permission to complete its G. L. Erwin "A" Well No. 1, located in Unit N of Section 35, Township 24 South, Range 37 East, Lea County, New Mexico, as a triple completion (tubingless) in the North Justis-Devonian, North Justis-Tubb Drinkard and North Justis-Blinebry Pools with the production of oil from all zones to be through parallel strings of small diameter casing cemented in a common well bore.

CASE 2552:

Application of Texaco Inc., for a quadruple completion, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an amendment to Order R-2109 to permit the quadruple completion (tubingless) of its G. L. Erwin "B" NCT-2 Well No. 2, located in Unit J of Section 35, Township 24 South, Range 37 East, Lea County, New Mexico, in the North Justis-Blinebry Pool, North Justis Tubb-Drinkard Pool, an undesignated Paddock pool and an undesignated Devonian pool with the production of oil from all four zones to be through parallel strings of 2 3/8-inch casing cemented in a common well bore.

CASE 2553:

Application of Texaco Inc. for a triple completion, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an amendment to Order R-2181 to permit the triple completion (conventional) of its C. H. Weir "B" Well No. 5, located in Unit G of Section 11, Township 20 South, Range 37 East, Lea County, New Mexico, in the Skaggs-Glorieta and Skaggs-Drinkard Oil Pools and in an undesignated Blinebry Oil pool with the production of oil from the Glorieta and Drinkard zones to be through parallel strings of 2 1/16-inch tubing and the production of oil from the Blinebry zone to be through a dual zone flow tube and a string of 1-inch tubing.

CASE 2554:

Application of T. F. Hodge for an order creating a new pool and establishing temporary rules, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order creating a new pool for Pennsylvanian production; the discovery well for said pool is the Humble-State Well No. 1, located in

-3-Docket No. 14-62

Unit N of Section 26, Township 10 South, Range 33 East, Lea County, New Mexico, completed in the Bough "C" zone of the Pennsylvanian formation with perforations from 9667 feet to 9671 feet. Applicant further seeks establishment of special rules and regulations governing said pool, including 80 agre provation units.

CASE 2555:

Application of Gulf Oil Corporation for a dual completion, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks permission to complete its J. F. Janda (NCT-F) Well No. 6, located in Unit D of Section 4, Township 22 South, Range 36 East, Lea County, New Mexico, as a dual completion (conventional) in the Jalmat Gas Pool and South Eunice Pool with the production of oil from the Jalmat Gas Pool to be through a string of 1 1/4-inch tubing and the production of oil from the South Eunice Pool to be through a parallel string of 2 3/8-inch tubing.

CASE 2556:

Application of Gulf Oil Corporation for an unorthodox oil well location and a dual completion, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks permission to complete its Lillie Well No. 3, located 2310 feet from the North line and 330 feet from the West line of Section 23, Township 24 South, Range 37 East, Lea County, New Mexico, as a dual completion (conventional) in the Fowler-Fusselman and Fowler-Ellenburger Pools with the production oil from both zones to be through a parallel strings of tubing. Said well is at an unorthodox location under the Fowler-Ellenburger Pool Rules.

CASE 2557:

Application of Gulf Oil Corporation for a unit agreement and a secondary recovery project, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval of the West Dollarhide Devonian Unit Agreement embracing 765.25 acres, more or less, of Federal and State lands in Townships 24 and 25 South, Range 38 East, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant further seeks permission to institute a secondary recovery project in the proposed West Dollarhide Devonian Unit Area by injection of water into the Devonian formation into certain wells located in said unit.

OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

| | Date 5/22/62 |
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| CASE | 4551 Hearing Date 9am 5/10/62 |
| | My recommendations for an order in the above numbered cases are as follows: |
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DEARNLEY-MEIER REPORTING SERVICE, Inc.

BEFORE THE OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION Santa Fe, New Mexico May 10, 1962

EXAMINER HEARING

IN THE MATTER OF:

Application of Texaco Inc., for a triple completion, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the abovestyled cause, seeks permission to complete its G. L. Erwin "A" Well No. 1, located in Unit N of Section 35, Township) 24 South, Range 37 East, Lea County, New Mexico, as a triple completion (tubingless) in the North Justis-Devonian. North Justis-Tubb Drinkard and North Justis-Blinebry Pools with the production of oil from all zones to be through parallel strings of small diameter casing) cemented in a common well bore.

Case 2551

BEFORE: Mr. Daniel S. Nutter, Examiner

TRANSCRIPT OF HEARING

MR. NUTTER: We will call Case 2551.

MR. MORRIS: Application of Texaco Inc., for a triple completion, Lea County, New Mexico.

MR. WHITE: May the record show the qualifications of the witness and the name of the witness who has so testified?

MR. NUTTER: Is this the same witness?



MR. WHITE: The same witness.

MR. MORRIS: And that he has been sworn.

C. R. BLACK

called as a witness, having been previously duly sworn, testified as follows:

DIRECT EXAMINATION

BY MR. WHITE:

Q Mr. Black, will you state the location of the subject well?

A This is it, Case 2551. (Whereupon, Texaco's Exhibits 1 through 3 were marked for identification.)

Q Will you state the present status of the well?

A At the present time this well has been drilled and each of the three zones has been completed and is producing under a temporary order from the Commission pending the outcome of this hearing.

Q Will you now give the history of the well, please?

A Yes, sir. I would like to refer to Exhibit No. 2, which is a diagrammatic sketch of the actual triple completion installation. A $17\frac{1}{2}$ ⁿ hole was drilled to 262 feet. At that point we set 13 3/8ⁿ casing and cemented to the surface with 350 sacks. A $12\frac{1}{4}$ ⁿ hole was continued to 3545ⁿ and at that point we set 9.5/8ⁿ casing and cemented with a total of 1,000 sacks. The top of the cement as per temperature survey was found to be at



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LBUQUEROUE, N. M. PHONE 243.6691 2,000. We then continued with an 8 3/4" hole to a total depth of 7180.

I would like to amend Exhibit 2, at the base of the exhibit the total depth is shown as 5900. That depth should actually be 7180. At that time we then ran three strings of tubing in the hole. We ran two strings of 2 7/8ths and one string of 2 3/8" tubing on string X, designated as the Blinebry string. We ran sliding side doors at 5402, 5730, 5980, 6141, and 6897. We then cemented down strings designated X and Z with a total of 1600 sacks of cement, and the cement top was found to be at 2400 by temperature survey. The primary cementing was then supplemented by squeezing cementing through each of the Otis Type #A# sliding side doors that I mentioned previously.

You will also notice on each of the three strings we have run short subjects with radioactive collars on each end of these subjects. The purpose of this is in our gamma ray correlation log for perforating.

Q Mr. Black, have the mechanics of this procedure been previously approved by the Commission?

A The mechanics we used to complete this well have been approved by the Commission for other multiple tubingless completions.

Q Will you now state the crude characteristics?



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A We perforated the Siluro-Devonian formation through various perforated intervals as shown on the exhibit, from 7066 to 7138. On potential test of April 13, 1962 this well flowed 99 barrels of oil in eleven hours for a twenty-four hour rate of 216 barrels of oil through a 16/64 choke with a GOR of 465. This is intermediate type crude, intermediate sweet type crude with a gravity of 34.5 degrees. The bottom hole pressure was found to be 2747 psi, at a datum of minus 3857.

We then proceeded to perforate the Drinkard formation through various perforated intervals, as shown on the exhibit, from 6027° to 6110°. On potential test ending April the 11th, 1962 this zone flowed 105 barrels of oil in twenty-four hours through a 24/64° choke with a GOR of 900 to 1. This is also an intermediate sweet crude with a gravity of 32 degrees API. The bottom hole pressure was found to be 2514 psi, at a subsea datum of minus 2800°.

We then perforated the Blinebry zone through the interval 5628 to 5650. On potential test ending April 14, 1962 this zone flowed 72 barrels of oil in twelve hours, for 144 barrels of oil for a wenty-four hour rate. It was flowing through a 15/64" choke with a GOR of 864 to 1. This is a sour crude with a gravity of 33.8 degrees. We found the bottom hole pressure to be 2413 psi, at a subsea datum of 2300".



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Mr. Black, do you anticipate any paraffin or corrosion Q problems in the Blinebry?

In the Blinebry zone only we anticipate mild corrosion and paraffin problem.

- Have you done anything to combat that situation?
- Yes, we have plastic coated the upper 1500 or this tubing string for paraffin, and for corrosion we will take periodic coupon surveys to determine if excessive corrosion is occurring. If we find it is we will take the necessary steps to correct this.
- Can all of these zones be artificially lifted if it becomes necessary?
 - Yes, they can. A
 - Will you refer now to Exhibit 3?
- Exhibit 3 is a log of the, radioactivity log of the A G. L. Erwin "A" Well No. 1. It shows the appropriate formation tops and the perforated intervals in the formation.
- Have all these three zones been previously approved by the Commission in this area for multiple completions?
- Yes, sir, they have. The Shell State No. 1 J. M., a southeast diagonal to our No. 1, is a dual completion in the Devonian and Fusselman, and the J. C. Williamson Westates No. 5, located in Section 1, is a Blinebry-Drinkard dual completion, and all three of these zones have been involved in various



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multiple completions in the area.

- Q But not this particular setup?
- A There is no well that has these particular three zones triply completed at this time.
- Nore these exhibits prepared by you or under your supervision and direction?
 - A Yes, they were.

MR. WHITE: We offer Exhibits 1 through 3 in evidence.

MR. NUTTER: Texaco's Exhibits 1 through 3 will be introduced in evidence. Any questions of Mr. Black? He may be excused.

(Witness excused.)

MR. NUTTER: Anything further, Mr. White?

MR. WHITE: No. That completes our testimony.

MR. NUTTER: Does anyone have anything further they wish to offer in Case 2551? We will take the case under advisement and call Case 2550 again.

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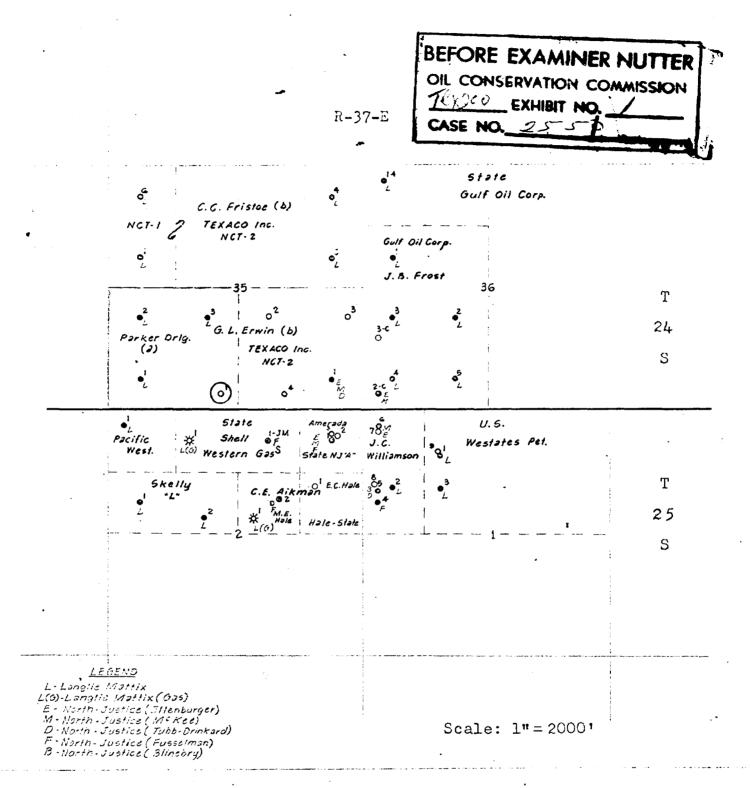
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I, ADA DEARNLEY, Court Reporter, do hereby certify that the foregoing and attached transcript of proceedings before the New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission at Santa Fe, New Mexico, is a true and correct record to the best of my knowledge, skill and ability.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF I have affixed my hand and notarial seal this 31st day of May, 1962.

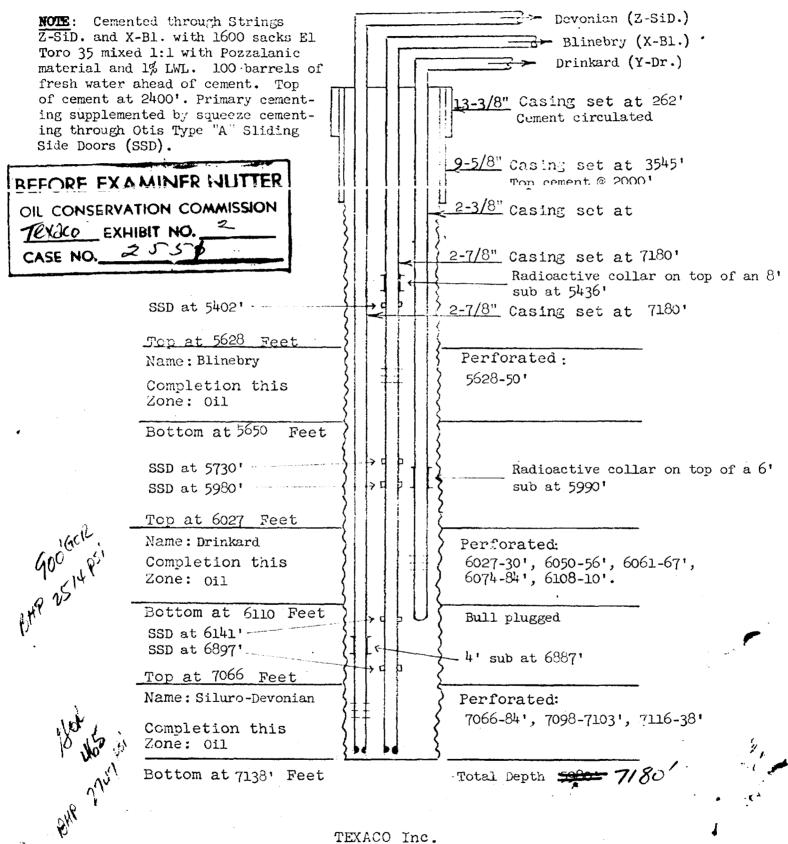
My commission expires: June 19, 1963.



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