Entered June 5, 1958

# 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. 1442 Order No. R-1188

APPLICATION OF PURE OIL COMPANY FOR THE EXTENSION OF THE HORIZONTAL LIMITS OF THE SOUTH VACUUM-DEVONIAN POOL IN LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, AND FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF 80-ACRE SPACING AND THE PROMULGATION OF SPECIAL RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR SAID POOL.

## ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

## BY THE COMMISSION:

This cause came on for hearing at 9 o'clock a.m. on May 14, 1958, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before the Oil Conservation Commission of New Mexico, hereinafter referred to as the "Commission."

NOW, on this day of June, 1958, the Commission, a quorum being present, having considered the application and the evidence adduced 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, Pure Oil Company, proposes that the South Vacuum-Devonian Pool in Lea County, New Mexico, be extended to include Sections 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 33, 34, 35, and 36 of Township 18 South, Range 35 East; Sections 19, 30, and 31 of Township 18 South, Range 36 East; Sections 1, 2, 3, and 4 of Township 19 South, Range 35 East; and Section 6 of Township 19 South, Range 36 East, NMPM.
- (3) That the applicant further proposes the establishment of 80-acre spacing and the promulgation of Special Rules and Regulations for the South Vacuum-Devonian Pool.
- (4) That the proposed extension of the South Vacuum-Devonian Pool has not been proven productive by actual drilling operations, and that the applicant has failed to show cause why the Commission should deviate from its established policy of extending the horizontal limits of oil and gas pools in the State of New Mexico to include only such acreage as has been proven productive by actual drilling operations.
- (5) That the applicant has failed to prove that the South Vacuum-Devonian Pool can be efficiently drained and developed on an 80-acre spacing pattern.

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(6) That the drilling and spacing of wells in the South Vacuum-Devonian Pool should continue to be governed by Rule 104 of the Commission Rules and Regulations.

#### IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

- (1) That the application of Pure Oil Company for the extension of the horizontal limits of the South Vacuum-Devonian Pool in Lea County, New Mexico, and for the establishment of 80-acre spacing and the promulgation of Special Rules and Regulations for said pool be and the same is hereby denied.
- (2) That the drilling and spacing of wells in the South Vacuum-Devonian Pool shall continue to be governed by Rule 104 of the Rules and Regulations of the Oil Conservation Commission of New Mexico.

DONE 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

MURRAY E. MORGAN, Member

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

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