

*Entered November 2, 1958*  
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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. 1530  
Order No. R-1269

APPLICATION OF RICE ENGINEERING AND  
OPERATING, INC., FOR AN ORDER AUTHORIZING  
A SALT WATER DISPOSAL WELL IN SECTION 32,  
TOWNSHIP 21 SOUTH, RANGE 36 EAST, NMPM,  
LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

BY THE COMMISSION:

This cause came on for hearing at 9 o'clock a.m. on October 22, 1958, 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 28<sup>th</sup> day of October, 1958, the Commission, a quorum being present, having considered the application, the testimony 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 applicant, Rice Engineering and Operating, Inc., seeks an order authorizing the disposal of produced salt water in the San Andres formation through the E-M-E SWD Well No. A-32 to be located 1320 feet from the North line and 1320 feet from the East line of Section 32, Township 21 South, Range 36 East, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico, with the proposed injection zone from 4250 feet to 4600 feet.

(3) That the applicant should be required to fill the casing-tubing annulus with "sweet" oil as a protective measure.

(4) That the 9 5/8-inch casing should be cemented to the surface and that the 7-inch casing should be cemented back into the annulus between it and the 9 5/8-inch casing.

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(5) That the subject application is in the interest of conservation and should be granted subject to the foregoing conditions:

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

1. That the applicant, Rice Engineering and Operating, Inc., be and the same is hereby authorized to dispose of produced salt water into the San Andres formation through the E-M-E SWD Well No. A-32 to be located 1320 feet from the North line and 1320 feet from the East line of Section 32, Township 21 South, Range 36 East, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico.

PROVIDED HOWEVER, That the casing-tubing annulus shall be kept full of "sweet" oil to prevent corrosion, and

PROVIDED FURTHER, That the 9 5/8-inch casing shall be cemented to the surface and that the 7-inch casing shall be cemented back into the annulus between it and the 9 5/8-inch casing.

2. That the applicant shall submit monthly reports of its disposal operations in accordance with Rules 704 and 1119 of the Commission's Rules and Regulations.

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

STATE OF NEW MEXICO  
OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION



EDWIN L. MECHEM, Chairman



MURRAY E. MORGAN, Member



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

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