BEFORE THE OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO

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

> CASE No. 2062 Order No. R-1773

APPLICATION OF CONTINENTAL OIL COMPANY FOR APPROVAL OF AN AUTO-MATIC CUSTODY TRANSFER SYSTEM IN THE SOUTHEAST MONUMENT UNIT, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

BY THE COMMISSION:

This cause came on for hearing at 9 o'clock a.m. on September 7, 1960, 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 <u>16th</u> day of September, 1960, 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 applicant, Continental Oil Company, is the owner and operator of certain wells located in the Southeast Monument Unit in the SE/4 of Section 15 and in Section 23, Township 20 South, Range 37 East, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico.

(3) That the applicant proposes to install an automatic custody transfer system on the above-described acreage to handle the production from five wells in the Cass Pool and the production from one well in the Weir Pool, the commingling of which has previously been approved.

(4) That the previous use of automatic custody transfer equipment, similar to that proposed by the applicant, has shown that such equipment is a reliable and economic means of transferring the custody of oil, and that the use of such equipment should be permitted, provided adequate safety features are incorporated therein. -2-CASE No. 2062 Order No. R-1773

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

That the applicant, Continental Oil Company, be and the same is hereby authorized to install an automatic custody transfer system to handle the commingled production from five wells in the Cass Pool and from one well in the Weir Pool, located in the Southeast Monument Unit in the SE/4 of Section 15 and in Section 23, Township 20 South, Range 37 East, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico.

PROVIDED HOWEVER, That the applicant shall install adequate facilities to permit the testing of all the subject wells on the above-described acreage at least once each month to determine the individual production from each well.

<u>PROVIDED FURTHER</u>, That the applicant shall add additional storage facilities from time to time, as it becomes necessary, to store the production which will accrue during the hours that said system is unattended, or in the alternative should so equip the existing facilities as to automatically cause production to cease in the event the storage facilities become full.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED:

That all meters used in the above-described automatic custody transfer system shall be operated and maintained in such a manner as to ensure an accurate measurement of the liquid hydrocarbon production at all times.

That meters shall be checked for accuracy at least once each month until further direction by the Secretary-Director.

That meters shall be calibrated against a master meter or against a test tank of measured volume and the results of such calibration filed with the Commission on the Commission form entitled "Meter Test Report."

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

STATE OF NEW MEXICO CONSERVATION COMMISSION airman MORRAY E. MORGAN, Member PORTER, Jr., Member & Secretary

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