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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. 2885  
Order No. R-2558

APPLICATION OF JOHN H. TRIGG  
FOR FOUR UNORTHODOX LOCATIONS,  
CHAVES COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

BY THE COMMISSION:

This cause came on for hearing at 9 o'clock a.m. on August 21, 1963, 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 29th day of August, 1963, 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, John H. Trigg, pursuant to the authority granted by Order No. R-1456 entered by the Commission August 1, 1959, is conducting a waterflood operation on his Federal Trigg Lease in Sections 4, 5, and 9, Township 14 South, Range 31 East, NMPM, Caprock-Queen Pool, Chaves County, New Mexico.

(3) That in order to increase the efficiency of said waterflood project, the applicant, John H. Trigg, seeks authority to drill four wells at the following-described unorthodox locations in said Section 4:

Well No. 37-4, Unit B, 1320 feet from the North line  
and 2475 feet from the East line;

Well No. 38-4, Unit J, 2764 feet from the North line  
and 2557 feet from the East line;

Well No. 39-4, Unit A, 1320 feet from the North line  
and 1315 feet from the East line;

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Well No. 40-4, Unit C, 1320 feet from the North line  
and 1485 feet from the West line.

(4) That the applicant proposes that said wells be utilized as producing wells in the aforesaid waterflood project, but also seeks provision for administrative approval for the conversion of said wells to water injection at a later date.

(5) That approval of the subject application will not cause waste, but may result in the recovery of oil which would otherwise remain unrecovered.

(6) That approval of the application will not impair correlative rights.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

(1) That the applicant, John H. Trigg, is hereby authorized to drill wells at the following-described unorthodox locations in Section 4, Township 14 South, Range 31 East, NMPM, Caprock-Queen Pool, Chaves County, New Mexico:

Well No. 37-4, Unit B, 1320 feet from the North line  
and 2475 feet from the East line;

Well No. 38-4, Unit J, 2764 feet from the North line  
and 2557 feet from the East line;

Well No. 39-4, Unit A, 1320 feet from the North line  
and 1315 feet from the East line;

Well No. 40-4, Unit C, 1320 feet from the North line  
and 1485 feet from the West line.

(2) That the aforesaid four wells shall be utilized as oil producing wells in the applicant's waterflood project in the Caprock-Queen Pool unless authorized for water injection after notice and hearing or by administrative approval.

(3) That to obtain administrative approval for the conversion of said wells to water injection, the applicant shall submit, in triplicate, an application in accordance with Rule 701-B of the Commission Rules and Regulations. A copy of the application shall also be sent to each operator offsetting the proposed injection well.

The Secretary-Director may authorize such conversion without notice and hearing provided that no offset operator or the State Engineer objects to the proposed conversion within 15 days. The Secretary-Director may grant immediate approval of

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the proposed conversion upon receipt of waivers of objection from all operators offsetting the proposed injection well and from the State Engineer.

(4) 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



JACK M. CAMPBELL, Chairman



E. S. WALKER, Member



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

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