

*Entered November 9, 1967*  
*A.L.P.*

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. 3673  
Order No. R-3336

APPLICATION OF RALPH LOWE  
FOR SALT WATER DISPOSAL,  
LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

BY THE COMMISSION:

This cause came on for hearing at 9 a.m. on October 25, 1967,  
at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner Elvis A. Utz.

NOW, on this 9th day of November, 1967, the Commission, a  
quorum being present, having considered the testimony, the record,  
and the recommendations of the Examiner, 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, Ralph Lowe, is the owner and opera-  
tor of the Humble State Well No. 1, located in Unit G of Section  
36, Township 25 South, Range 36 East, NMPM, Jalmat Pool, Lea  
County, New Mexico.

(3) That the applicant proposes to utilize said well to  
dispose of produced salt water into the Yates formation, with  
injection in the open-hole interval from approximately 2964  
feet to 2982 feet.

(4) That the injection should be accomplished through  
2 3/8-inch internally plastic-coated tubing installed in a  
packer set at approximately 2900 feet; that the casing-tubing  
annulus should be filled with an inert fluid; and that a  
pressure gauge should be attached to the annulus or the annulus

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left open at the surface in order to determine leakage in the tubing or packer.

(5) That approval of the subject application will prevent the drilling of unnecessary wells and otherwise prevent waste and protect correlative rights.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

(1) That the applicant, Ralph Lowe, is hereby authorized to utilize his Humble State Well No. 1, located in Unit G of Section 36, Township 25 South, Range 36 East, NMPM, Jalmat Pool, Lea County, New Mexico, to dispose of produced salt water into the Yates formation, injection to be accomplished through 2 3/8-inch tubing installed in a packer set at approximately 2900 feet, with injection in the open-hole interval from approximately 2964 feet to 2982 feet;

PROVIDED HOWEVER, that the tubing shall be internally plastic-coated; that the casing-tubing annulus shall be filled with an inert fluid; and that a pressure gauge shall be attached to the annulus or the annulus left open at the surface in order to determine leakage in the tubing or packer.

(2) That the applicant shall submit monthly reports of his disposal operations in accordance with Rules 704 and 1120 of the Commission Rules and Regulations.

(3) 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

DAVID F. CARGO, Chairman

  
GUYTON B. HAYS, Member

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

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