

*Entered January 15, 1971*  
*A.P.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. 4484  
Order No. R-4089

THE APPLICATION OF THE OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION  
UPON ITS OWN MOTION FOR AN ORDER GRANTING AN EXCEP-  
TION TO THE NINTH PARAGRAPH OF CHAPTER II, SECTION 2  
OF ORDER NO. R-333-F TO PERMIT SHUTTING IN GAS WELLS  
FOR THE REQUIRED SHUT-IN TEST AT SOME PERIOD DURING  
THE 1971 TEST SEASON OTHER THAN IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING  
THE 7-DAY DELIVERABILITY FLOW TEST; FURTHER TO PERMIT  
MEASURING THE SHUT-IN TEST PRESSURE DURING THE 8TH TO  
15TH DAY OF SHUT-IN OF THE WELL RATHER THAN ON THE  
8TH DAY AS PRESENTLY REQUIRED.

ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

BY THE COMMISSION:

This cause came on for hearing at 9 a.m. on January 6, 1971,  
at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner Daniel S. Nutter.

NOW, on this 15th day of January, 1971, 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 by Order No. R-3878, dated November 24, 1969,  
paragraph nine of Chapter II, Section 2 of Commission Order No.  
R-333-F was suspended for the duration of the 1970 annual  
deliverability and shut-in pressure test period, insofar and  
only insofar as said paragraph directs that in order to obtain  
the shut-in pressure of a well under test, the well shall be shut  
in immediately after the 7-day deliverability flow test for the

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full period of seven consecutive days and that such shut-in pressure shall be measured within the next succeeding twenty-four hours following the 7-day shut-in period.

(3) That said Order No. R-3878 also makes provisions for obtaining the shut-in pressures of wells, subject to the testing requirements of Order No. R-333-F, for the duration of the annual deliverability and shut-in test period for 1970, and for scheduling of shut-in pressure tests.

(4) That the aforesaid suspension and special provisions were made necessary in order to avoid shutting in gas wells that were subject to the testing requirements of Order No. R-333-F during a period of heavy demand for gas.

(5) That the conditions that brought about the issuance of said Order No. R-3878 are expected to be substantially the same in 1971 as in 1970.

(6) That in order to prevent waste and promote conservation, the provisions of Order No. R-3878 should be made to apply during the 1971 annual deliverability and shut-in pressure test period.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

(1) That, effective January 1, 1971, paragraph nine of Chapter II, Section 2 of Order No. R-333-F is hereby suspended for the duration of the 1971 annual deliverability and shut-in pressure test period, insofar and only insofar as said paragraph directs that in order to obtain the shut-in pressure of a well under test, the well shall be shut in immediately after the 7-day deliverability flow test for the full period of seven consecutive days and that such shut-in pressure shall be measured within the next succeeding twenty-four hours following the 7-day shut-in period.

(2) That to obtain the shut-in pressure of a well, subject to the testing requirements of said Order No. R-333-F, under test during the duration of the annual deliverability and shut-in test period for 1971, the well shall be shut in at some time during the year of 1971 for a period of seven to fourteen consecutive days. Such shut-in pressure shall be measured during the eighth to fifteenth day following shutting in of the well.

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(3) That each gas transportation facility shall, in cooperation with the operators involved, prepare and submit a schedule of shut-in pressure tests in accordance with Chapter I, Section 3, provided, however, that said schedule need only be submitted prior to the shutting in of the well or wells involved.

(4) That the Aztec District Office of the Commission shall be notified of the date the shut-in pressure of a well is to be measured in order that said measurement may be witnessed.

(5) 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



BRUCE KING, Chairman



ALEX J. ARMIJO, Member



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

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