

*Entered February 8, 1972
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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 ON ITS OWN
MOTION TO PERMIT LUTTRELL OIL COMPANY AND
ALL OTHER INTERESTED PERSONS TO APPEAR AND
SHOW CAUSE WHY THE FOLLOWING-DESCRIBED WELLS
IN NEW MEXICO SHOULD NOT BE PLUGGED AND
ABANDONED IN ACCORDANCE WITH A COMMISSION-
APPROVED PLUGGING PROGRAM.

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Order No. R-4252

ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

BY THE COMMISSION:

This cause came on for hearing at 9 a.m. on January 19, 1972, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner Daniel S. Nutter.

NOW, on this 8th day of February, 1972, 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 Luttrell Oil Company is the owner and operator of the following wells:

Luttrell Oil Company State Well No. 1 -
Unit M, Section 28, Township 2 South,
Range 26 East, De Baca County;

Luttrell Oil Company Corn Well No. 1 -
Unit A, Section 5, Township 8 South,
Range 24 East, Chaves County.

(3) That drilling activities have been suspended far in excess of 60 days on each of the subject wells.

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(4) That each of the above-described wells has been abandoned.

(5) That there is a danger, as to each of the subject wells, that oil, gas, or water will escape from the separate strata originally containing them into other strata if the subject wells are left in their present condition.

(6) That there is a danger, as to each of the subject wells and locations, that injury will occur to neighboring leases or properties, that pollution of fresh water supplies will occur, or that the safety of humans and animals will be endangered if the subject wells are left in their present condition.

(7) That in order to prevent crude petroleum oil, natural gas, or water from escaping from strata in which they are found into other strata; to prevent injury to neighboring leases or properties; to prevent pollution of fresh water supplies; to protect the safety of humans and animals; and to otherwise prevent waste and protect correlative rights each of the above-described wells should be plugged and abandoned or drilling should be recommenced on or before March 1, 1972, in accordance with a program approved by the Artesia office of the New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission.

(8) That in order to prevent crude petroleum oil, natural gas, or water from escaping from strata in which they are found into other strata; to prevent injury to neighboring leases or properties; to prevent pollution of fresh water supplies; to protect the safety of humans and animals; and to otherwise prevent waste and protect correlative rights each of the above-described wells should be plugged and abandoned on or before March 31, 1972, in accordance with a program approved by the Artesia office of the New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission, if said wells are not on active production at said time.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

(1) That Luttrell Oil Company is hereby ordered to plug and abandon or to recommence drilling the Luttrell Oil Company State Well No. 1, located in Unit M, Section 28, Township 2 South, Range 26 East, NMPM, De Baca County, New Mexico, on or before March 1, 1972, in accordance with a Commission-approved program.

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(2) That Luttrell Oil Company is hereby ordered to plug and abandon the Luttrell Oil Company State Well No. 1, located in Unit M, Section 28, Township 2 South, Range 26 East, NMPM, De Baca County, New Mexico, on or before March 31, 1972, in accordance with a Commission-approved plugging program, if said well is not on active production at said time.

(3) That Luttrell Oil Company is hereby ordered to plug and abandon or to recommence drilling the Luttrell Oil Company Corn Well No. 1, located in Unit A, Section 5, Township 8 South, Range 24 East, NMPM, Chaves County, New Mexico, on or before March 1, 1972, in accordance with a Commission-approved program.

(4) That Luttrell Oil Company is hereby ordered to plug and abandon the Luttrell Oil Company Corn Well No. 1, located in Unit A, Section 5, Township 8 South, Range 24 East, NMPM, Chaves County, New Mexico, on or before March 31, 1972, in accordance with a Commission-approved plugging program, if said well is not on active production at said time.

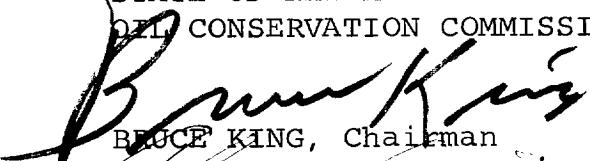
(5) That prior to commencing plugging operations on any well, Luttrell Oil Company shall obtain a Commission-approved plugging program for such well from the District Supervisor, Oil Conservation Commission, Drawer DD, Artesia, New Mexico, and shall notify said Supervisor of the exact date and time plugging operations are to commence.

(6) That any deviation from the above-plugging program shall be permitted only upon a showing of good cause therefor and with the written consent of the Secretary-Director of the Commission.


(7) 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 herein-above designated.

STATE OF NEW MEXICO
OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION


BRUCE KING, Chairman


ALEX J. ARMITTO, Member


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

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