Entered June 17, 1975

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. 5468 Order No. R-5053

IN THE MATTER OF THE HEARING CALLED BY THE OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION ON ITS OWN MOTION TO PERMIT KENNETH M. HANKINS, GREAT AMERICAN INSURANCE COMPANY, AND ALL OTHER INTERESTED PARTIES TO APPEAR AND SHOW CAUSE WHY THE VIRGINIA BRANCH WELL NO. 1 LOCATED IN UNIT D OF SECTION 9, TOWNSHIP 10 NORTH, RANGE 25 EAST, GUADALUPE COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, SHOULD NOT BE PLUGGED AND ABANDONED IN ACCORDANCE WITH A COMMISSION-APPROVED PLUGGING PROGRAM.

ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

BY THE COMMISSION:

This cause came on for hearing at 9 a.m. on May 28, 1975, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner Richard L. Stamets.

NOW, on this 17th day of June, 1975, 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 Kenneth M. Hankins is the owner and operator of the Virginia Branch Well No. 1, located in Unit D of Section 9, Township 10 North, Range 25 East, NMPM, Guadalupe County, New Mexico.
- (3) That in order to prevent waste and protect correlative rights said Virginia Branch Well No. 1 should be plugged and abandoned in accordance with a program approved by the Santa Fe District Office of the New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission on or before August 31, 1975, or be converted to a water supply well in an approved manner.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

(1) That Kenneth M. Hankins and Great American Insurance Company are hereby ordered to plug and abandon the Virginia

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Branch Well No. 1, located in Unit D of Section 9, Township 10 North, Range 25 East, NMPM, Guadalupe County, New Mexico, on or before August 31, 1975.

PROVIDED HOWEVER, that in the alternative and with approval of the land owner and the Commission, said well may be plugged back, completed as a water well, and the responsibility therefor transferred to the land owner.

- (2) That Kenneth M. Hankins and Great American Insurance Company, prior to plugging and abandoning the above-described well, shall obtain from the Santa Fe Office of the Commission, a Commission-approved program for said plugging and abandoning, and shall notify said Santa Fe Office of the date and hour said work is to be commenced whereupon the Commission may, at its option, witness such work.
- (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 herein-above designated.

STATE OF NEW MEXICO
OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

I. R. TRUJILLO, Chairman

PHIL R. LUCERO, Member

JOE D. RAMEY, Member & Secretary

SEAL

Entered November 19, 1968

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. 3929 Order No. R-3573

APPLICATION OF LEONARD LATCH FOR TWO WATERFLOOD PROJECTS, EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

BY THE COMMISSION:

This cause came on for hearing at 9 a.m. on November 12, 1968, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner Daniel S. Nutter.

NOW, on this 19th day of November, 1968, 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, Leonard Latch, seeks permission to institute two waterflood projects on his Saunders A and Travis Leases in the Empire (Yates-Seven Rivers) Pool by the injection of water into the Yates formation through five injection wells located in Sections 12 and 13 of Township 17 South, Range 27 East, NMPM, Eddy County, New Mexico.
- (3) That the wells in the project areas are in an advanced state of depletion and should properly be classified as "stripper" wells.
- (4) That the proposed waterflood projects should result in the recovery of otherwise unrecoverable oil, thereby preventing waste.

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(5) That the subject application should be approved and the projects should be governed by the provisions of Rules 701, 702, and 703 of the Commission Rules and Regulations.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

(1) That the applicant, Leonard Latch, is hereby authorized to institute the two following waterflood projects on his Saunders A and Travis Leases in the Empire (Yates-Seven Rivers) Pool by the injection of water into the Yates formation through the following-described wells in Township 17 South, Range 27 East, NMPM, Eddy County, New Mexico:

Latch Empire Travis Waterflood Project

Injection wells:

Leonard Latch Travis Well No. 1 - Unit O - Section 12 Leonard Latch Travis Well No. 2 - Unit O - Section 12 Leonard Latch Travis Well No. 3 - Unit P - Section 12

Latch Empire Saunders Waterflood Project

Injection wells:

Leonard Latch Saunders "A" Well No. 2 - Unit B - Section 13 Leonard Latch Saunders "A" Well No. 6 - Unit H - Section 13

- (2) That the subject waterflood projects shall be governed by the provisions of Rules 701, 702, and 703 of the Commission Rules and Regulations.
- (3) That monthly progress reports of the waterflood projects herein authorized shall be submitted to the Commission in accordance with Rules 704 and 1120 of the Commission Rules and Regulations.
- (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

DAVID F. CARGO, Chairman

TON B. HAY, Member

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