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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. 5744  
Order No. R-5271

IN THE MATTER OF THE HEARING CALLED BY  
THE OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION ON ITS  
OWN MOTION TO PERMIT CLYDE B. NEILL,  
FIREMAN'S FUND INDEMNITY COMPANY, AND  
ALL OTHER INTERESTED PARTIES TO APPEAR  
AND SHOW CAUSE WHY CERTAIN WELLS IN  
HARDING 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 August 18, 1976,  
at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner Richard L. Stamets.

NOW, on this 31st day of August, 1976, 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 Clyde B. Neill is the owner and operator of the  
following described wells in Harding County, New Mexico:

TOWNSHIP 21 NORTH, RANGE 30 EAST, NMPM:

Galliger Well No. 1, located in Unit N of Section 9;  
State Well No. 1, located in Unit L of Section 27;  
Harris-Gonzales Well No. 1, located in Unit B of Section 32;  
and V. V. Harris Well No. 1, located in Unit B of Section 32;

TOWNSHIP 20 NORTH, RANGE 30 EAST, NMPM:

Smith-Miera Well No. 1, located in Unit M of Section 1.

(3) That Fireman's Fund Indemnity Company is the surety  
on the Oil Conservation Commission plugging bond on which Clyde  
B. Neill is principal.

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(4) That the purpose of said bond is to assure the state that the subject well(s) will be properly plugged and abandoned when not capable of commercial production.

(5) That in order to prevent waste and protect fresh waters the above-described wells 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 November 1, 1976, or the wells should be returned to active drilling status or placed on production.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

(1) That Clyde B. Neill and Fireman's Fund Indemnity Company are hereby ordered to plug and abandon the following-described wells in Harding County, New Mexico:

TOWNSHIP 21 NORTH, RANGE 30 EAST, NMPM:

Galliger Well No. 1, located in Unit N of Section 9;  
State Well No. 1, located in Unit L of Section 27;  
Harris-Gonzales Well No. 1, located in Unit B of Section 32;  
and V.V. Harris Well No. 1, located in Unit B of Section 32;

TOWNSHIP 20 NORTH, RANGE 30 EAST, NMPM:

Smith-Miera Well No. 1, located in Unit M of Section 1.

(2) That Clyde B. Neill and Fireman's Fund Indemnity Company, prior to plugging and abandoning the above-described wells, 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 upon each well 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

  
PHIL R. LUCERO, Chairman

EMERY C. ARNOLD, Member

  
JOE D. RAMEY, Member & Secretary

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