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BEFORE THE OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO

CASE NO. 6180 Order No. R-5682

IN THE MATTER OF THE HEARING CALLED BY THE OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION ON ITS OWN MOTION TO PERMIT ELVIS L. ROBERTS, THE TRAVELERS INDEMNITY COMPANY, AND ALL OTHER INTERESTED PARTIES TO APPEAR AND SHOW CAUSE WHY THE WADE WELL NO. 1 LOCATED 850 FEET FROM THE NORTH LINE AND 1750 FEET FROM THE EAST LINE OF SECTION 21, TOWNSHIP 29 NORTH, RANGE 11 WEST, SAN JUAN 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 March 22, 1978, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner Richard L. Stamets.

NOW, on this 4th day of April, 1978, 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 Elvis L. Roberts is the owner and operator of the Wade Well No. 1, located 850 feet from the North line and 1750 feet from the East line of Section 21, Township 29 North, Range 11 West, NMPM, San Juan County, New Mexico.
- (3) That The Travelers Indemnity Company is the surety on the Oil Conservation Commission plugging bond on which Elvis L. Roberts is principal.
- (4) That the purpose of said bond is to assure the state that the subject well will be properly plugged and abandoned when not capable of commercial production.
- (5) That in order to prevent waste and protect correlative rights said Wade Well No. 1 should be plugged and abandoned in accordance with a program approved by the Aztec District Office of the Oil Conservation Division of the New Mexico Energy and Minerals Department on or before June 15, 1978, or the well should be returned to active drilling status or placed on production.

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IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

- (1) That Elvis L. Roberts is hereby ordered to plug and abandon the Wade Well No. 1 located 850 feet from the North line and 1750 feet from the East line of Section 21, Township 29 North, Range 11 West, NMPM, San Juan County, New Mexico, or in the alternative, to return the well to active drilling status or place the well on production on or before June 15, 1978.
- (2) That Elvis L. Roberts, prior to plugging and abandoning the above-described well, shall obtain from the Aztec office of the Division, a Division-approved program for said plugging and abandoning, and shall notify said Aztec office of the date and hour said work is to be commenced whereupon the Division may, at its option, witness such work.
- (3) That jurisdiction of this cause is retained for the entry of such further orders as the Division 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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