# BEFORE THE OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO

IN THE MATTER OF THE HEARING CALLED BY THE OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONSIDERING:

CASE NO. 862 Order No. R-646

THE APPLICATION OF THE COMMISSION UPON ITS OWN MOTION FOR AN ORDER CREATING AND DESIGNATING A NEW POOL TO BE KNOWN AS THE NORTH BENSON-QUEEN OIL POOL FOR THE PRODUCTION OF OIL FROM THE QUEEN FORMATION, SUCH POOL TO CONSIST OF THE E/2 OF SECTION 33 AND THE W/2 OF SECTION 34, TOWNSHIP 18 SOUTH, RANGE 30 EAST, NMPM, EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, AND FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR THE NEW POOL IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF COMMISSION ORDER R-111.

### ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

#### BY THE COMMISSION:

This matter came on for hearing at 9 o'clock a.m. on March 16, 1955, and was continued until April 20, 1955, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before the Oil Conservation Commission, hereinafter referred to as the "Commission".

NOW, on this day of June, 1955, the Commission, a quorum being present, having considered the record and the testimony adduced 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 Simms and Reese Oil Company did complete the McClay No. 1 Well located 1980 feet FSL and 660 feet FEL of Section 33, Township 18 South, Range 30 East, Eddy County, New Mexico, as the discovery well for a new source of supply in this area.
- (3) That said well initially produced oil in commercial quantities from the Queen sand below a depth of 2,844 feet.
- (4) That a second well known as Simms and Reese Oil Company McClay No. 2 Well, located 1980 feet FNL and 660 feet FEL of Section 33, Township 18 South, Range 30 East, Eddy County, New Mexico, has been completed in this new source of supply and is producing commercial quantities of oil from the Queen sand in the depth interval 3,036 to 3,061 feet.

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- (5) That sufficient evidence was presented to the Commission as to the probable areal extent and directional trend of the newly discovered common source of supply to justify the creation of the new pool as contemplated.
- (6) That, in conformity with previous practices of the Commission, a pool should be created, defined and classified, and should include such surface acreage as appears to cover the newly discovered common source of supply.
- (7) That such a pool should be designated as the North Benson-Queen Pool, should be classified as an oil pool, and described as:

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and that such pool as described above should be subject to additions or deletions after notice and hearing as development and further information may direct or indicate.

- (8) That said pool is situated within the horizontal limits of the so-called "potash-oil" area and that operations within that area are governed by the provisions of Commission Order R-III entered on November 9, 1951.
- (9) That no evidence was entered at said hearing which would indicate that the provisions of Order R-III should be abrogated in establishing rules and regulations for the conduct of drilling and producing operations in this pool.

## IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

(1) That there is hereby created an oil pool, designated as the North Benson-Queen pool, and described as follows:

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(2) That drilling and production operations in said pool shall comply with the provisions of those rules of the Commission which may be applicable, and that such operations shall further comply with the provisions of Commission Order R-Ill, as such provisions now dictate, or as such provisions may be modified by future order of the Commission.

DONE at Santa Fe, New Mexico on the day and year hereinabove designated.

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OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

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OHN F. SIMMS, Chairman

E. S. WALKER, Member

W. B. MACEY, Member and Secretary

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