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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 THE STATE OF NEW
MEXICO FOR THE PURPOSE OF
CONSIDERING:

CASE NO. 976
Order No. R-744

THE APPLICATION OF WESTERN OIL
FIELDS, INC., FOR AN EXCEPTION
TO RULE 309 (a) OF THE STATEWIDE
RULES AND REGULATIONS OF THE
NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION
COMMISSION TO PERMIT THE PRO-
DUCTION OF A MAXIMUM OF SIXTEEN
WELLS INTO A COMMON TANK BATTERY
ON APPLICANT'S STATE LEASE B-2148,
CONSISTING OF THE S/2 OF SECTION 17,
N/2 OF SECTION 20, TOWNSHIP 17 SOUTH,
RANGE 33 EAST, NMPM, MALJAMAR POOL,
LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

BY THE COMMISSION:

This cause came on for hearing at 1:30 p.m. on November 8, 1955 and again at 9:00 a.m. on January 9, 1956, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Warren W. Mankin, Examiner duly appointed by the Oil Conservation Commission of New Mexico, in accordance with Rule 1214 of Order No. R-681.

NOW, on this 27th day of January 1956, the Oil Conservation Commission of New Mexico, hereinafter referred to as the "Commission", a quorum being present, having considered said application, the transcript of testimony and record and the recommendations of the Examiner, Warren W. Mankin, and being fully advised in the premises,

FINDS:

- (1) That due notice of the time and place of hearing and the purpose thereof having been given as required by law, the Commission has jurisdiction of this case and the subject matter thereof.
- (2) That the applicant, Western Oil Fields, Inc., is the owner and operator of State Lease B-2148 in the Maljamar Pool consisting of the S/2 of Section 17 and the N/2 of Section 20, Township 17 South, Range 33 East, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico.
- (3) That there are at present eight wells producing from the Maljamar Pool into an existing tank battery located on the applicant's state lease, B-2148. A ninth well will be completed in the near future.

(4) That for reasons of efficiency and economy, applicant desires to use the existing tank battery for the storage and measurement of oil produced from a maximum of sixteen oil wells in the Maljamar Pool underlying the above described lease.

(5) That the central tank battery will have suitable and adequate facilities for the storage and handling of the production from a maximum of sixteen oil wells in the above described acreage and that suitable equipment will be installed whereby the production from each well on the above described land may be adequately determined as prescribed by the rules and regulations of the Commission.

(6) That the above described acreage is of one common royalty interest, the same being the State of New Mexico.

(7) That by reason of practical convenience and economy and in absence of objection by the Commissioner of Public Lands of New Mexico, application for order granting exception to Rule 309 (a) should be granted.

(8) That no objection by the Commissioner of Public Lands has been entered.

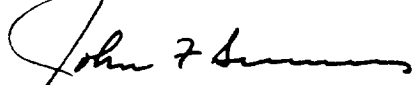
IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

That the application of Western Oil Fields, Inc., for an order granting an exception to Rule 309 (a) of the Oil Conservation Commission's Statewide Rules and Regulations be and the same is hereby granted and approved.

That Western Oil Fields, Inc., be and the same is hereby authorized to maintain and operate its existing central tank battery located on its State Lease B-2148; said lease consisting of the S/2 of Section 17, and N/2 of Section 20, Township 17 South, Range 33 East, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico, said battery to receive production from a maximum of sixteen oil wells in the Maljamar Pool, eight of which are presently in production, the remainder to be completed on the above described lease.

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

STATE OF NEW MEXICO
OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION


JOHN F. SIMMS, Chairman


E. S. WALKER, Member


W. B. MACEY, Member and Secretary

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