

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. 5467
Order No. R-5018

IN THE MATTER OF THE HEARING CALLED BY THE OIL
CONSERVATION COMMISSION ON ITS OWN MOTION TO PERMIT
COLFAX CARBON DIOXIDE CORPORATION, F. E. SAUBLE,
AMERICAN SURETY COMPANY OF NEW YORK, AND ALL OTHER
INTERESTED PARTIES TO APPEAR AND SHOW CAUSE WHY THE
TEX-MEX CATTLE CO. WELL NO. 1 LOCATED IN UNIT D OF
SECTION 2, TOWNSHIP 26 NORTH, RANGE 24 EAST, COLFAX
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 April 30, 1975,
at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner Richard L. Stamets.

NOW, on this 22nd day of May, 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 Colfax Carbon Dioxide Corporation and F. E.
Sauble are the owners and operator of the Tex-Mex Cattle Co.
Well No. 1, located in Unit D of Section 2, Township 26 North,
Range 24 East, NMPM, Colfax County, New Mexico.

(3) That said Well No. 1 was completed as a carbon
dioxide gas well approximately December 6, 1941.

(4) That except for short periods of testing, the well
has remained shut-in since that time.

(5) That with the passage of time, the potential for
failure of the casing or other equipment in or on said well
increases.

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(6) That should said casing or equipment fail, carbon dioxide gas would escape underground or to the air and would be wasted.

(7) That the Commission is empowered to prevent the waste of carbon dioxide gas.

(8) That F. E. Sauble proposes to file forms necessary to assume sole ownership of said well and to install a pressure gauge thereon and to permit other testing to assure that carbon dioxide gas is not leaking from the well.

(9) That the actions to be taken as outlined in Finding No. (8) above will permit the Commission to better evaluate the condition of the subject well and order appropriate action where necessary.

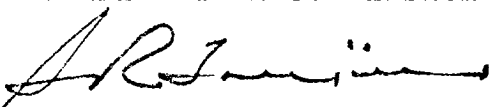
(10) That the subject application should be dismissed without prejudice.

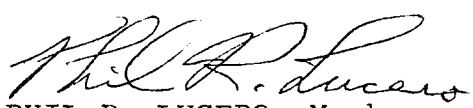
IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

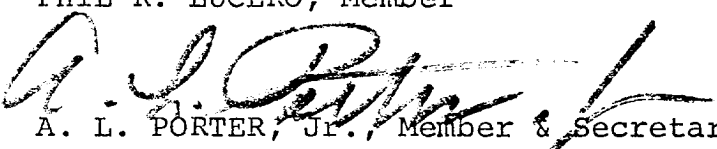
(1) That Case No. 5467 is hereby dismissed without prejudice.

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

STATE OF NEW MEXICO
OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION


I. R. TRUJILLO, Chairman


PHIL R. LUCERO, Member


A. L. PORTER, JR., Member & Secretary

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