CASE 5043: PLUGGING CASE (CHAVES)
KENY SHANNON - CHAPARRAL TEJANO
WELL NO. 1

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BEFORE THE

NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION CONFERENCE ROOM, STATE LAND OFFICE BUILDING SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO August 9, 1973

EXAMINER HEARING

IN THE MATTER OF:

Hearing called by the Oil Conservation Commission on its own motion to permit Everett D. Burgett and Fireman's Fund American Insurance Companies and all other interested parties to appear and show cause why the Pure State Wells Nos. 1, 2, 3, and 7 located in Units J, J, O, and O, respectively, of Section 15, Township 21 South, Range 27 East, Eddy County, New Mexico, should not be plugged and abandoned in accordance with a Commission-approved plugging program.

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Range 26 East, Chaves County, New Mexico,
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Case No. 5043

BEFORE: ELVIS A. UTZ, Examiner.

TRANSCRIPT OF HEARING

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MR. UTZ: Next on the docket, we have two plugging cases. Well, we will call Case 5042.

MR. CARR: If we could call both of these cases at this time and consolidate them for purposes of testimony.

MR. UTZ: 5042 and 5043. Those two cases will be consolidated for purposes of hearing. Separate orders will be rendered.

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Mr. Examiner, the Commission has one witness we'd like to have sworn.

> MR. UTZ: Will the witness stand and be sworn? (Whereupon, Mr. Utz swears the witness.)

MR. UTZ: Are there other appearances in these cases?

(No response.)

MR. UTZ: You may proceed.

W. S. GRESSETT,

was called as a witness, and after being duly sworn, testified as follows:

DIRECT EXAMINATION

BY MR. CARR:

- Will you state your name, position and place of residence?
- W. S. Gressett, Supervisor of Commissions, District Two, Artesia, New Mexico.
- Q Does District Two include the portions of Eddy and Chaves Counties and are they involved in these cases?
- 20 Yes, sir.
 - Do your duties as District Supervisor include making recommendations to the Commission as to when wells should be plugged and abandoned?
 - Yes, sir.
 - Are you familiar with the subject matter of cases 5042

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5 and 5043? 2 Yes. 3 What is the purpose of these cases? The cases are called to allow the operators to appear and show cause why they should not be properly plugged 6 and abandoned to prevent waste. 7 Are you familiar with the subject wells in these cases? Q 8 A Yes, sir. 9 And, Mr. Gressett, have you reviewed all the reports 10 filed with the Commission concerning these wells? 11 Α Yes, sir. 12 And do you have these reports with you today? 13 Α Yes, sir, I do. 14 Will you please refer to these reports and give us a 15 history of each of the wells as directed in the official 16 reports? 17 Everett D. Burgett Pure State Well Number 1, drilling was 18 commenced in September of 1953. It was completed, an 19 allowable was assigned in March of 1956, and the well

> Pure State Number 2, drilling was commenced in October of 1954, and completion in December of 1954. An allowable was assigned to this well and it produced for a period of time and was subsequently shut in.

produced for a period of time and then it was shut in.

And the Burgett remained shut in for a number of years.

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Pure State Number 3, drilling was commenced in April of 1955, and was completed, an allowable was assigned in May of 1955. This well produced for a period of time and was shut in.

Pure State Number 7, drilling commenced in March of 1957, completed, an allowable was assigned in May of 1957. This well produced for a period of time and was shut in.

In 1963, there was a show cause hearing why these wells should not be plugged and abandoned. The operator appeared and testified that he would put them back on production and this was Case Number 2793 and the order was entered on May 8, 1963, being Order Number R-2483. Mr. Burgett went out and done some work on the wells in October of 1963, and filed a report stating that he had placed them back on production. This report was returned to the operator for clarification and additional information and to date we have not heard from him.

MR. UTZ: When was this?

This was in -- the report was received November 5, 1963. At that time he was supposed to put them back on, but if he did he never did report any production and, like I said, when we returned the report for additional information and corrections, he just failed to send it back in. So, according to our records, the wells have not produced any

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	oil in the last twelve years, at least.
Q	(By Mr. Carr) Okay. Would you go on now to the Kent
	Shannon well?
A	The Kent Shannon Chaparral Tejano Well No. 1, the note
	is the Commission approved this well on October 18, 1968.
	And then on March 10, 1970, he filed a report showing,
	that he desired instructions to plug. I approved the
	form with a plugging recommendation on it and sent it
	back to him. Then, on August 28, he called and said
	the rancher would like to keep the well for a water well.
	So I then mailed him the necessary reports for this and
	I didn't hear anything from him, so I wrote him a letter
	in September of 1971, January of 1972, and May of 1973,
	and haven't heard from him.
Q 7.	When was the last date you heard from Mr. Shannon?
A	That I heard from him?
Q	Yes.
A	That telephone conversation on May 28, 170. The last
	form that he submitted was received in our office on
	March 6, 1970.
Q	Mr. Gressett, what type of plugging program do you
	recommend for these wells?

I would recommend the plugging program consisting of

plug laid and poured and cement plugs in each well in

such a manner as to confine the oil, gas or water to its

zone there, the region it's found. And you would prefer to have that left to the discretion of the district officer at the time the wells are plugged? Yes, I would. MR. CARR: I have nothing further. 7 CROSS-EXAMINATION 8 BY MR. UTZ: 9 Mr. Gressett, the wells subject to Case 5042, the Gressett 10 Burgett wells -- sorry about that. Are those the same 11 wells and the same pool that over the years we have had 12 problems with oil running all over the landscape? Yes, sir, they sure are. 13 Q Bad shape and so forth? 14 Right. 15 16 And now, you want to plug them? 17 Yes, sir, sure do. 18 MR. UTZ: Are there other questions of the witness? 19 20 21 BY MR. PORTER: 22 Mr. Gressett, is this pool where the operator at one 23 time was producing his well into an open pit and then 24 skimming the oil off of the pit?

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		1	Q	And making approximately ninety eight percent water?
		2	A	Yes, sir, that's correct.
		3	Q	Approximately how deep are the wells?
		4	A	Five hundred and sixty to eighty feet.
		5	Q	Five hundred sixty to eighty feet?
-		6	A	Yes, sir.
	associates	7	Q ·	And you don't know well, I guess you have some kind
•	2000	8		of record of how many pipes in the hole?
	8	9	., A	Yes, sir. I have very little. Would you like how much?
		10	Q	No, that's all right if you have a report of it. Now,
	dearnley, meier	11		what evidence do you have of fresh water in the area?
	iney ii	12	A	There are windmills in the immediate area and some wells
	dear	13		in the area reported water, shallow water.
	X W W EX	14	Q	Well, this is my concern about the pipe, whether or not
	U U Z ∑ ¥ . E U	15		there was surface casing in each hole.
	2 6 8 9 8 9 1 9	16	A	Yes, sir. I believe the pipe is set through all of the
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,	3-66910 TOALE	18	Q	All right.
	ON E 24	19	Δ	Now, whether it's cemented adequately to keep it from
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*	0.00 BOX 1.00 A L BA	21	Q	And I would assume that the water that he produced that
	Z A P O O O	22		the oil was nonpotable?
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•	09 SIMM	24	A	Yes, sir.
	X	25		MR. UTZ: Other questions?
		1	<u> </u>	(No response.)

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MR. UTZ:
                The witness may be excused.
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STATE OF NEW MEXICO SS. COUNTY OF BERNALILLO

I, CLAUDIA FAHRENTHOLD, a Court Reporter, in and for the County of Bernalillo, State of New Mexico, do hereby certify that the foregoing and attached Transcript of Hearing before the New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission was reported by me; and that the same is a true and correct record of the said proceedings to the best of my knowledge, skill and ability.

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May 17, 1973

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Mr. Kent Shannon
P. O. Box 633
Roswell, N. M. 88201

Re: Chaparral Tejano #1-D, 10-7S-26E Chaves County, N. M.

Dear Mr. Shannon:

On a recent inspection of the subject well, we found that it has not been plugged or completed as a water well as you had indicated was a possibility.

Further, to date, this office has received no answer to our letters of 9-15-71 and 1-13-72, requesting reports on the well.

Therefore, failure to pluq and abandon or convert to a water well and submit all of the required reports within 30 days will result in this matter being referred to our attorney for further action.

Sincerely yours,

OIL CONSERVATION

W. A. Gressett Supervisor, District II

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WAG/ep xc/Mr. William S. Carr/ P. O. Box 2088 Santa Fe, N. M.

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BEFORE THE OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION OF THE SWADE OF NEW MEXICO

IN THE MANTER OF THE HEARING CALLED BY THE OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION ON ITS OWN MOTION TO PERMIT KENT SHANNON AND AMERICAN EMPLOYERS INSURANCE COMPANY AND ALL OTHER INTERESTED PARTIES TO APPEAR AND SHOW CAUSE WHY THE CHAPARRAL TEJANO TO APPEAR AND SHOW CAUSE WHY THE CHAPACHED TECHNO-WELL NO. 1 LOCATED IN UNIT D OF SECTION 10, TOWN-SHIP 7 SOUTH, RANGE 26 EAST, CHAVES COUNTY, NEW SHIP 7 SOUTH, RANGE 26 EAST, CHAVES COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, SHOULD NOT BE FLUGGED AND ABANDONED IN ACCORDANCE WITH A COMMISSION-APPROVED PLUGGING PROGRAM.

CASE NO. 5043 order No. R-4617

ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

This cause came on for hearing at 9 a.m. on August 9, 1973, BY THE COMMISSION: at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner Elvis A. Utz.

NOW, on this 23rd day of August, 1973, the Commission, a quorum being present, having considered the testimony, the record and the recommendations of the Evaminer and being quorum perng present, naving considered the testimony, the record, and the recommendations of the Examiner, and being fully advised in the premises,

- That due public notice having been given as required by law, the Commission has jurisdiction of this cause and the sub-
- That Kent Shannon is the owner and operator of the (2) That Kent Shannon is the owner and operator of the Chaparral Tejano Well No. 1, located in Unit D of Section 10, Township 7 South, Range 26 East, NMPM, Chaves County, New Mexico. ject matter thereof.
 - (3) That said well was drilled in 1968 and was not productive of commercial quantities of oil or gas.
 - That notice of intention to plug and abandon said well was filed with the Commission on March 6, 1970.
 - (5) That said well has not been plugged and the operator has not corresponded with the Commission since 1970.
 - That in order to prevent waste and protect correlative rights said Chaparral Tejano Well No. 1 should be plugged and abandoned in accordance with a program approved by the Artesia District Office of the New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission on or before October 1 1973 on or before October 1, 1973.

-2-Case No. 5043 Order No. R-4617

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

- (1) That Kent Shannon and American Employers' Insurance Company are hereby ordered to plug and abandon the Chaparral Tejano Well No. 1, located in Unit D of Section 10, Township 7 South, Range 26 East, NMPM, Chaves County, New Mexico, on or before October 1, 1973.
- (2) That Kent Shannon and American Employers' Insurance Company, prior to plugging and abandoning the above-described well, shall obtain from the Artesia Office of the Commission, a Commission-approved program for said plugging and abandoning, and shall notify said Artesia Office of the date and hour said work is to be commenced 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
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I. R. TRUJILLO, Chairman

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July 30, 1973

Mr. Kent Shannon P. O. Box 633 Roswell, New Mexico 88201

American Employers' Insurance Company 1 Beacon Street Boston, Massachusetts 02108

Kent Shannon Chaparral Tejano Well No. 1 located in Unit D of Re: Section 10, Township 7 South, Range 26 East, Chaves County, New Mexico, American Employers' Insurance Company \$5,000 One-Well Plugging Bond No. SY 355556

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is a copy of the docket of the Examiner Hearing to be held on Thursday, August 9, 1973, at 9:00 a.m. in the Oil Conservation Commission Conference Room, State Land Office Building, Santa Fe, New Mexico. Case No. 5043 concerns the subject matter.

Very truly yours

WILLIAM F. CARR General Counsel

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CASE 4745: (Reopened)

In the matter of Case No. 4745 being reopened pursuant to the provisions of Order No. R-4365, which order established special rules and regulations for the Penasco Draw San Andres-Yeso Pool, Eddy County, New Mexico, including a provision for classification of oil wells and gas wells, the spacing thereof, and a limiting gas-oil ratio of 3000 to 1. All interested parties may appear and show cause why said pool rules should remain in effect.

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- CASE 5044: In the matter of the hearing called by the Oil Conservation Commission on its own motion to permit Sycor Newton, Peru Milling Company, R. E. Deming and Aetna Life and Casualty Company and all other interested parties to appear and show cause why the State L 6350 Well No. 1 located in Unit M of Section 10, Township 23 South, Range 11 West, Luna County, New Mexico, should not be plugged and abandoned in accordance with a Commission-approved plugging program.
- CASE 5045: Application of Southern Union Production Company for an unorthodox gas well location, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks authority to re-enter the Wilson Federal Well No. 1 at an unorthodox location 2310 feet from the North line and 990 feet from the East line of Section 13, Township 22 South, Range 24 East, Eddy County, New Mexico, and to deepen said well to the Morrow formation, the N/2 of said Section 13 to be dedicated to the well.

CASE 5036: (Continued from the July 25, 1973, Examiner Hearing)

Application of The Wil-Mc Oil Corporation for salt water disposal, Chaves County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks authority to dispose of produced salt water in the San Andres formation in the perforated interval from 4208 feet to 4282 feet in its Champlin State Well No. 1 located in Unit M of Section 3, Township 8 South, Range 33 East, Chaveroo-San Andres Pool, Chaves County, New Mexico.

DOCKET: EXAMINER HEARING - THURSDAY - AUGUST 9, 1973

9 A.M. - OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION CONFERENCE ROOM, STATE LAND OFFICE BUILDING - SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

The following cases will be heard before Elvis A. Utz, Examiner, or Daniel S. Nutter, Alternate Examiner:

- ALLOWABLE: (1) Consideration of the allowable production of gas for September, 1973, from seventeen prorated pools in Lea, Eddy, Roosevelt and Chaves Counties, New Mexico;
 - (2) Consideration of the allowable production of gas from nine prorated pools in San Juan, Rio Arriba, and Sandoval Counties, New Mexico, for September, 1973.

CASE 4933: (Readvertised)

Application of Texaco Inc. for salt water disposal, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks authority to dispose of produced salt water into the Delaware formation through the perforated interval from 4280 feet to 4288 feet in its R. T. Wilson Federal Well No. 5 located in Unit J of Section 24, Township 26 South, Range 31 East, North Mason-Delaware Pool, Eddy County, New Mexico.

- CASE 5040: Application of Wallen Production Company for a pressure maintenance project, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks authority to institute a pressure maintenance project by the injection of water into the Yates Seven-Rivers formation in its Federal Well No. 2 located in Unit C of Section 20, Township 20 South, Range 34 East, North Lynch Yates-Seven Rivers Pool, Lea County, New Mexico.
- CASE 5041: Application of W. T. Wynn for a unit agreement, Eddy County, New Mexico.

 Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval of the Kaiser Lake
 Unit Area comprising 960 acres, more or less, of federal and fee lands
 in Township 18 South, Ranges 26 and 27 East, Eddy County, New Mexico.

CASE 4789: (Reopened)

In the matter of Case No. 4789 being reopened pursuant to the provisions of Order No. R-4375, which order established special rules and regulations for the Many Gates-Abo Pool, Chaves County, New Mexico, including a provision for 80-acre proration units. All interested parties may appear and show cause why said pool should not be developed on 40-acre spacing.

CASE 4548: (Reopened)

In the matter of Case No. 4548 being reopened pursuant to the provisions of Order No. R-4157, which order established special rules and regulations for the Catclaw Draw-Morrow Gas Pool, Eddy County, New Mexico, including a provision for 640-acre proration units. All interested parties may appear and show cause why said pool should not be developed on 320-acre spacing.

BEFORE THE OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO

CASE NO. 5044 Order No. R-4673

IN THE MATTER OF THE HEARING CALLED BY THE OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION ON ITS OWN MOTION TO PERMIT SYCOR NEWTON, PERU MILLING COMPANY, R.E. DEMING, AND AETNA LIFE AND CASUALTY COMPANY AND ALL OTHER INTERESTED PARTIES TO APPEAR AND SHOW CAUSE WHY THE STATE L 6350 WELL NO. 1 LOCATED IN UNIT M OF SECTION 10, TOWNSHIP 23 SOUTH, RANGE 11 WEST, LUNA 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 November 14, 1973, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner Daniel S. Nutter.

NOW, on this <u>20th</u> day of November, 1973, 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 Sycor Newton, Peru Milling Company, and R.E. Deming are the owners and operators of the State L 6350 Well No. 1, located in Unit M of Section 10, Township 23 South, Range 11 West, NMPM, Luna County, New Mexico.
- (3) That in order to prevent waste and protect correlative rights and protect fresh water, said State L 6350 Well No. 1 should be plugged and abandoned in accordance with a program approved by the Artesia District Office of the New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission on or before February 15, 1974.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

(1) That Sycor Newton, Peru Milling Company, R.E. Deming, and Aetna Life and Casualty Company are hereby ordered to plug and abandon the State L 6350 Well No. 1, located in Unit M of Section 10, Township 23 South, Range 11 West, NMPM, Luna County, New Mexico, on or before February 15, 1974.

-2-CASE NO. 5044 Order No. R-4673

- (2) That Sycor Newton, Peru Milling Company, R.E. Deming, and Aetna Life and Casualty Company, prior to plugging and abandoning the above-described well, shall obtain from the Artesia Office of the Commission, a Commission-approved program for said plugging and Commission, and shall notify said Artesia Office of the date and hour abandoning, and shall notify said Artesia Office of the date and hour said work is to be commenced 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 hereinabove designated.

STATE OF NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

I R. TRUJILLO, Chairman

ALEX J. ARMIJO, Member

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

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BY THE COMMISSION:

This cause came on for hearing at 9 a.m. on November 14, 1973, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner Daniel S. Nutter

NOW, on this <u>20th</u> day of November, 1973, 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 Sycor Newton, Peru Milling Company, and R.E. Deming are the owners and operators of the State L 6350 Well No. 1, located in Unit M of Section 10, Township 23 South, Range 11 West, NMPM, Luna County, New Mexico.
- (3) That in order to prevent waste and protect correlative rights and protect fresh water, said State L 6350 Well No. 1 should be plugged and abandoned in accordance with a program approved by the Artesia District Office of the New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission on or before February 15, 1974.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

(1) That Sycor Newton, Peru Milling Company, R.E. Deming, and Aetna Life and Casualty Company are hereby ordered to plug and abandon the State L 6350 Well No. 1, located in Unit M of Section 10, Township 23 South, Range 11 West, NMPM, Luna County, New Mexico, on or before February 15, 1974.

-2-CASE NO. 5044 Order No. R-4673

- (2) That Sycor Newton, Peru Milling Company, R.E. Deming, and Aetna Life and Casualty Company, prior to plugging and abandoning the above-described well, shall obtain from the Artesia Office of the Commission, a Commission-approved program for said plugging and abandoning, and shall notify said Artesia Office of the date and hour said work is to be commenced 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 hereinabove designated.

STATE OF NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

I R. TRUJILLO, Chairman

ALEX J. ARMIJO, Member

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

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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. 5043

IN THE MATTER OF THE HEARING CALLED BY THE Order No. R-46/OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION ON ITS OWN MOTION
TO PERMIT KENT SHANNON AND AMERICAN EMPLOYERS'
INSURANCE COMPANY AND ALL OTHER INTERESTED PARTIES
TO APPEAR AND SHOW CAUSE WHY THE CHAPARRAL TEJANO WELL NO. 1
LOCATED IN UNIT D OF SECTION 10, TOWNSHIP 7 SOUTH, RANGE 26
EAST, CHAVES 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 9, , 1973 at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner Elvis A. Utz

NOW, on this day of August , 1973, 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 Kent Shannon is the owner and operator of the Chaparral Tejano Well No. 1, located in Unit D of Section 10, Township 7 South, Range 26 East, NMPM, Chaves County, New Mexico.

(3) That said well was drilled in 1968 and was not productive of commercial quantities of oil or ges. (4) Shat instice of intention to plug and abandon said well was filed with the Commission on March 6, 1970.

(5) That said well has not been plugged and the operator has not corresponded with the Commission since 1970.

-2-Case No. 5043 Order No. R-

That in order to prevent waste and protect correlative rights said Chaparral Tejano Well No. 1 should be plugged and abandoned in accordance with a program approved by the Artesia District Office of the New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission on or before October , 1973.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

- (2) That Kent Shannon and American Employers' Insurance Company, prior to plugging and abandoning the above-described well, shall obtain from the Artesia Office of the Commission, a Commission-approved program for said plugging and abandoning, and shall notify said Artesia Office of the date and hour said work is to be commenced 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 hereinabove designated.