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MR. STAMETS: We'll call next Case 7558.

MR. PEARCE: That is the application of

MGF Oil Corporation for compulsory pooling, Lea County, New

name is William F. Carr, with the law firm Campbell, Byrd, & Black, P. A., of Santa Fe, appearing on behalf of the applicant.

I will have two witnesses.

MR. KELLANIN: If the Examiner please,

I'm Tom Kellahin of Santa Fe, New Mexico. I'm appearing on

behalf of two royalty owners, A. J. Welborp, that's W-E-L-B-O-R-N,

and a Winifred Sue Campbell, like in Carabell, Byrd, and Black.

If the Examiner please, my client has specifically requested that in their behalf I ask for continuance of the hearing in this case. My telephone conversations in which Mr. Welborn requested my representation of him and his sister occurred late in the morning on Monday of this week.

He advises me that the notice of the hearing was sent to him by Mr. Carr, a notice dated April 6th, only eight days before the hearing. It's my recollection that he received that notice sometime this weekend and he has not, because of the short period of time, has not had an opportunity to prepare his case and arrange to come to Santa Fe. He's a

resident of Ft. Worth, Texas.

And at his request, I am requesting that the case be set over to the next convenient Examiner docket so that he might appear.

MR. CARR: Mr. Examiner, we have dealing, "WE" meaning MGF, with Mr. Welborn and his sister for in excess of two to three months, at least, and he has been fully advised as to the plans of MGF in this area.

We would submit that he has had plenty
of time to decide what action he should take and how he should
be represented in this proceeding.

We therefor oppose the continuance. If you decide the grant the continuance, we would like some assurance that Mr. Welborn does in fact intend to appear at any subsequent hearing pursuant to this matter.

MR. STAMETS: Mr. Kellahin, did you ascertain the seriousness of Mr. Welborn's concern in this case, based on your phone call?

MR. KELLAHIN: Yes, sir. I can express to you what he has told me. He and his sister own in fee a certain fraction of the minerals under the north half of this proration unit. They have an interest, an undivided interest then, in the 86 acres which would be the north half of the southeast quarter.

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As I understand it, his mineral interest that he and his sister own has been leased to the applicant in May of '79 under a primary term of three years, which lease expires in late May of this year, and that the parties used a printed lease form that contained a pooling clause in the lease form, and as a result of the negotiations and specific agreements of both Mr. Welborn, his sister, and the applicant in this case, the pooling clause by agreement was deleted.

Mr. WElborn's position is that the applicant cannot now do something that he's contracted that he would not do. His position is that they can't diminish the royalty to be paid to him by dedicating his 80-acre interest, the fractional interest, in a proration unit which contained greater acreage, and that at the time they received the lease the applicant well knew what the spacing requirements were and they specifically agreed not to pool his acreage with other acreage. He believes it violates his lease and he wants to come tell you about it.

And that basically is the nature of the dispute.

MR. CARR: Mr. Stamets, two things. First of all, this is an Examiner hearing. Mr. Welborn and Ms. Campbell are parties of record and if they want to ask for a de novo hearing they could do that and I assume it wouldn't

cost them any more to prepare for that than for a continued hearing in this matter.

Secondly, there is dispute as to what the exact terms of the lease mean, and the lease does have the pooling clause crossed out. It has typed in the lease a Pugh clause which provides that, among other things, that if a gas well is -- the acreage is dedicated to a gas well it shall be on 160 acres and the form is nearly -- as nearly a square as possible, as practicable, and so when you read all of this together, there's a real question as to what the lease says, whether or not crossing out a pooling clause means you agree not to pool or whether the lease is then silent on it.

But what it involves is an interpretation of a contract and that's not a matter of the Oil Commission. The Commission operates under a statute which is very narrow. When you have interest owners who cannot voluntarily agree, for whatever their reasons, whether it's interpreting a legal premise or not, they haven't been able to agree and the interests are not all pulled together and committed to the drilling of this well.

And when you have that situation the party who proposes to drill and has a right to drill can come to you, and that's what we're doing, and we would submit that if there

is a question as to the meaning of this contract, that the Welborns and Campbells should go to court, post appropriate security so that we would not be damaged, and they should take the matter up in the proper form.

But we're here, having timely filed an application, having dealt with these people in good faith, and are here asking you to rule on our application so we can under these leases develop this acreage as a prudent operator would develop this acreage.

If they want to come back for a hearing de novo, they have that right, but we submit that we have done everything prerequisite to the hearing and we have a right to the hearing today, as we have requested.

MR. STAMETS: Mr. Kellahin, I have a tendency to agree with Mr. Carr in this matter. It would sound as though the issues that your clients wish to place before the Examiner are not really appropriate to a compulsory pooling hearing.

MR. KELLAHIN: With all due respect, Mr.

Stamets, it is not us who seeks to place this matter before

you for a decision. We are contending that even if you do enter
an order in this case, it is void as to the interests of Wel
born and Campbell and the Commission can't adjudicate something
the parties contracted not to do.

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And if you're denying my motion for a continuance, I have a second motion.

MR. STAMETS: Okay, I'll deny your motion for a continuance, and we'll hear the second motion.

MR. KELLAHIN: I will be the first to admit that in the time that I could devote to this yesterday

I have not completely researched the question about whether when we have this nature of a difficulty, a leasing arrangement, whether the Commission has jurisdicition to proceed and what impact a Division order for pooling would have upon the parties.

Be that as it may, I would move to dismiss the application.

I have simply written out and cited some case authority, and by no means is that research exhaustive or certainly complete, but it is again our position, as I've already stated, that as to the royalty interests of my client, the application ought to be dismissed.

MR. CARR: May it please the Examiner, I would like to respond to this, having just received this three paragraph argument. I do have a couple of comments.

First of all, I have a serious question as to whether or not a lessee can contract away the police power of the State of New Mexico to pool tracts for the drilling

of a well, and I think the matter certainly would merit additional research. That could be done prior to a de novo hearing.

Second paragraph, deletion of the pooling clause represents the unambiguous expression of the intent of the parties. Well, if that were the only thing done to these leases, that might be an arguable point.

But they've also typed in a Pugh clause which talks about dedicating 160 acres to gas wells on this lease, a tract substantially in the form of a square, or as nearly to it as is practicable to do that.

I don't think what you're -- I think you're being asked again to rule on an interpretation of the lease contract and I think you have no jurisdiction to do that.

I would submit we're entitled to a hearing. We have complied with all the prerequisites for the hearing and ask that you go ahead and hear this matter. If Mr. Kellahin and his clients are serious about this and not just trying to delay this matter past the expiration of the lease, then they can seek a de novo hearing and they can come forward at that time.

MR. PEARCE: Mr. Kellahin, in reading Section 70-2-17, New Mexico Statutes Annotated, 1978, the compulsory pooling statute, that statute provides that where,

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however, such owner, or owners, have not agreed to pool their interests, and one such separate owner, or owners, who has the right to drill, has drilled, or proposes to drill a well on said unit for a common source of supply, the Division, to avoid the drilling of unnecessary wells and to protect correlative rights, or to prevent waste, shall pool all or any part of such lands or interests, or both, in the spacing or proration unit as a unit.

My question is, is it your contention that applicant in this matter does not have the right to drill a well on this land?

MR. KELLAHIN: As I understand it, the applicant doesn't intend to drill on this land. He intends to dedicate my client's land to a proration unit. The physical well will not be located on any of the leased acreage.

MR. PEARCE: In your opinion does he have the right to drill a well where he proposes to drill?

MR. KELLAHIN: I don't know what his leasing arrangement is. I assume that that is in order, he

ought to have the right to drill that well.

The question is whether he can dedicate my client's interest in the north half to a proration unit consisting of the southeast quarter, and then, if he does so, what impact that has on his payment of my client. The royalty

interest is my client here. Obviously, a number of questions and in the short period of time I've been involved I can't even hopefully master the question, much less give you an adequate answer, Mr. Pearce. And that's the whole point in my making a motion for continuance. I think it's ludicrous to go through the mechanics here and I don't have my client present; I've made one phone call with him; I hardly have mastered the facts, and, you know, I can't cross examine the witness. We're placed at a great disadvantage for; hich I think it would be inappropriate to proceed.

MR. STAMETS: Mr. Kellahin, I'm going to overrule your motion for dismissal in this case. Again, it would appear to me that the issues that your client seeks are not appropriate in this forum in this case, and I don't feel like he's being denied any rights due him in this case.

Under the circumstances we'll proceed with the hearing. Mr. Carr, you may proceed.

Oh, I guess we've got another witness to swear.

MR. CARR: There's an additional witness who needs to be sworn.

(Witness sworn.)

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2	Are you familiar with the subject well?			
3	A. Yes.			
4	MR. CARR: Are the witness' qualification			
5	as a landman acceptable?			
Ó	MR. STAMETS: They are.			
7	Mr. Gibson, will you state briefly what			
8	MGF seeks with this application?			
9	A. We seek to compulsory pool the southeast			
10	quarter of Section 31, all mineral interests from the surface			
11	down through the Seven Rivers formation. We're seeking the			
12	proration unit of 160 acres on an orthodox location, and pro-			
13	ration of 160 acres.			
14	Q What is the status of this well?			
15	A We are fixing to stake a location. We			
16	have not drilled it, waiting on			
17	Q Did you previously come before this Com-			
18	mission or one of its Examiners and obtain a pooling order			
19	for this well?			
20	A. Yes, sir.			
21	Q And when was that?			
22	A. This was February the 17th.			
23	And what acreage did you obtain a pooling			
24	order for?			
25	A. The 40 acres, the southeast of the south-			

2 east quarter of Section 31.

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Q Will you please refer to what has been marked for identification as MGF Exhibit Number One, identify this and explain what it shows?

A This is a land plat depicting the 160 acres proposed for the Jay Wright Well in an orthodox location. It also reflects the offsetting ownership and as again stated, the hatched brown shows the leasehold interest we have in this area, and it also depicts the proposed well location. Again we intend to drill it if the drilling program, if the wells come in then we will drill the proposed well.

Q What formation is the primary objective?

A Seven Rivers.

Q And is this a standard proration unit for the Seven Rivers formation?

A. It is.

Q I believe this plat indicates certain locations proposed by MGF, is that correct?

A. Yes, sir.

Q But as in the prior hearing, only one of those wells has been drilled to date.

A. Right.

Q And which well is that?

A A Jay Wright Well, and we are drilling the

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north half southeast quarter of Section 31, also depicts the same thing, the owner and their interest, undivided interest.

What percent of the working interest under the entire southeast quarter does MGF represent at this hearing today?

77 percent.

Q What percent of the working interest under the north half of the southeast quarter do you represent?

A. We have 100 percent.

Q And under the south half of the southeast quarter?

We've got 54 percent.

Now will you refer to this Exhibit Number

Two and summarize for the Examiner the efforts you have made

to locate and to obtain voluntary joinder from all interest

owners in this spacing unit?

A Well, as stated before, some of these interest owners, we were not -- we were not able to locate them, which was the same situation before, and I have a file here where we have written to the Chamber of Commerce, banks, vital records, vital statistics, records, and I think since we started, 1978 and '79, we have made a diligent effort to locate these people, which we have not been able to do on about three parties under this.

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And who are the unknown owners?

A. The O. Mason heirs, which own a 1/60th, which is a half an acre under 80 acres and it would be a quarter of an acre under 160-acre pooling; L. P. Wright, which is a 1/320ths, which is a quarter of an acre under the whole 80 and R. A. Fermin, another 1/320th interest, or a quarter of an acre under 80 acres.

Q. Are those the only people you've been unable to locate?

A. Yes.

Now there are other people you've been able to locate who have not voluntarily joined, is that correct?

A. Right.

Q. Would you review who they are and what efforts you've made to obtain their voluntary joinder?

A. Okay, under Roy G. Barton, number 47. Mr Barton has committed to lease, voluntarily lease; however, I called again, called his office, he's been out of town for two or three weeks and he has indicated that he will lease, and I have sent him a lease but we have not got it in hand, and Sabine Production Company has their own interest. They have a 4-acre tract, 4 acres under this tract, and also the executive rights for 3.875, and I have sent them leases and a letter and they also volunteer that they will either join

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or lease this interest in the very near future.

Kirby Exploration, they said they would either go under the penalty or will lease, and they're in the process of making up their mind, and so they -- I've got letters to that effect to them.

And NAR has a leasehold interest in it and we have a farmout from NAR, which we will work with them on the farmout of their leasehold interest, but like I say, we have not completed and without it in hand, I wanted to add these people to the compulsory pooling.

That just about takes care of all of it.

Q Have you given notice to each of these individuals of the hearing today?

A Yes.

Q. And copies of our letter to each of these individuals is noted as Exhibit Number Four?

A. Mr. Welborn and Ms. Campbell, and I have talked with Welborn on the phone as early as Monday. I've talked to Sabine, their attorney, and they're in the process of either joining or leasing to us.

North American, I've already stated on North American. Priscilla A. Kite, we have hers already in hand. Kirby, they're still the same as Sabine, whether they are going to join or lease. Roy G. Barton has stated that he

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2	will lease, and Edward T. Dreisen, the people in California,			
3	I called her and she said they're on they should be on			
4	their way this week, but they're going to lease. And Mr.			
5	Carter, the Carter brothers, we have their leases in hand,			
ó	and Mr. Chrisman, we have his lease in hand.			
7	So we've got the largest percentage of			
8	these already.			
9	Now, I believe you indicated that you have			
10	100 percent of the working interest under the north half of			
11	the southeast quarter, is that correct?			
12	A. Correct.			
13	Q. And that is on the assumption that the			
14	lease from Ms. Campbell and Mr. Welborn are valid, is that			
15	right?			
16	h. That's true.			
17	Q. And if that is not correct, then you			
18	might then you're also requesting that the working interes			
19	of those two individuals be pooled.			
20	A. Right, true.			
21	Q In your opinion has MGF made a good faith			
22	effort to obtain voluntary joinder in the proposed well of			
23	all non-committed interests?			
24	MR. KELLANIN: I object to that question,			
25	Mr. Stamets. It calls for a conclusion from this witness			

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the question.

which is the provence of the Examiner to make as to whether the applicant has made a good faith effort. He can describe what effort he has made. Whether it is good faith or not is your decision, not his.

MR. CARR: I would just note the form of the question was whether or not in his opinion he had done that, and I think he's entitled as a landman to make an opinion whether or not he's attempted to get --

MR. KELLAHIN: I object to the form of

MR. STAMETS: We will allow the witness to answer the question. Of course, the Examiner will make his own determination depending on the facts.

A. Yes, sir, we have. I have correspondence, letters we have made to -- through the years up to recent months to these people, and I think, in my opinion, we have made a diligent effort.

Q. Will you refer to what has been marked for identification as MGF Exhibit Five, identify this and explain what it shows?

A. This is the AFE for the J State Well; proposed TD of 3200 feet, or formation of Seven Rivers, for a gas well. It shows the completed well at \$295,900 and to casing point \$174,800. This AFE depicts the most current

22 1 cost we feel is for this area. 2 3 Are these costs in line with what is being charged by other operators in the area for similar wells? Yes, it is. Have you made an estimate of the overhead and administrative costs to be charged while drilling and 7 producing the subject well? 8 9 A. Yes, we have. 10 And what are those figures? A. 11 \$3500 for the drilling and \$400 a day for the well operation. 12 13 Are these costs in line with what's being charged by other operators in the area? 14 15 MR. STAMETS: What was the second figure, 16 please? 17 A. \$400. 18 And do you recommend that these costs be 19 incorporated into any order which results from this hearing? 20 I do. 21 Does MGF request to be designated as 22 operator of the proposed well? 23 Yes, we do. 24 In your opinion will granting this appli-

cation be in the best interests of conservation, the prevention

23 of waste, and the protection of correlative rights? Yes, it will. Will MCF call an additional witness to testify as to the risk factor involved? Yes, we will. Were Exhibits One and Two, Four and Five prepared by you or under your direction and supervision? 9 They were. 10 MR. CARR: At this time, Mr. Stamets, we 11 would offer Exhibits One, Two, Four, and Five. 12 MR. STAMETS: These exhibits will be ad-13 mitted. 14 MR. CARR: I have nothing further of Mr. 15 Gibson on direct. 16 17 CROSS EXAMINATION BY MR. STAMETS: Mr. Gibson, I'd like to go back to Exhibit 20 Two. I'm not sure that I understood all of your testimony relative to that exhibit. 22 The exhibit shows -- it shows the owner-23 ship. 24 Yes, sir. A. First under the south half of the proration Q.

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A. Yes, sir.

And then second, under the north half.

5 The last page is the ownership under the north half --

A. Yes, sir.

0 -- is that correct?

Now on the first three pages over on the lefthand side there are letters "UL, MGF, NAR", and --

A. Yes, sir. What --

Q -- so on. What do those mean?

A. Unleased -- up there at the top. See the status right up there? It says fee simple title.

Q. Okay.

A. And then the next paragraph, status, unleased, MGF leased, NAR leased.

17 Q All right. Now let's take for example the number two there.

A. Yes, sir.

Q MGF has the lease.

A. Yes, sir.

John H. Costello was the original owner in the hearing. Now, does that mean that all of that lease, or that portion of the lease, is already dedicated to this well? There is no forced pooling affecting that interest?

1 25 2 Ask me that again. 3 All right. What I'm trying to determine is that if any of those interests which are shown on this ex-4 hibit which you have an MGF out to the side by, if any of those 5 interests are being --7 No, sir. A. -- compulsory pooled. 8 Now with MGF, our leases -- let me make 9 sure -- all our leases were taken with a lease form where we 10 11 had the right to -- yes, sir, we have -- we used a lease form 12 where we can pool. 13 Q. So we would be concerned with those that 14 are unleased. 15 Yes, sir. 16 Plus the Barton, Sabine, Kirby, and the 17 NAR interest, which you have already mentioned? 18 Yes, sir. A. 19 All right. 20 The main thing, Mr. Examiner, is the un-21 leased lot, those we could not locate, like the Oka, Mason 22 heirs, and those working interests that we couldn't locate, 23 and like I say, it's about an acre, but that's the main thing 24 here, and then the other people that have not committed, al-25 though they have verbally committed, we have not received the

2 | lease in hand, so we want those, too.

Okay, now what about the interests on the last page? Now, is --

A. We have --

Q Are all of these affected by that controversial lease?

A. No, sir. We have -- the only thing we've got is just the -- these are leased; it's 100 percent leased except the Alonzo J. Welborn, and undivided 7/128th interest, and his sister, Winifred Sue Campbell, an undivided 7/128th interest. All the rest of them we have that have the pooling provisions, except this one, in the Welborn and Campbell are the only --

Q Okay. Now, by what date had you notified all of these interests with the exception of the ones you couldn't locate, of your desire to lease or have them join in the drilling of this well?

A. Well, it's been -- when did we mail these out?

And let me -- let me go back and ask this question better. In order for this hearing to be brought before us, under normal circumstances MGF must have made a valid attempt to gain voluntary agreement on this, and so I'm not asking you when you sent out notice of hearing.

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2	A. Oh, all right, yes, sir.			
3	Q. I'm asking you when you			
4	A. Well, I talked to			
5	Q had contacted everybody except the			
6	three that you could not locate addresses for.			
7	A Well, Mr. Welborn, we talked to him sever-			
8	al times the last several months and he's got			
9	Q Have you ever sent him a letter?			
10	A. No, I talked to him on the phone.			
11	Q. And so you have no correspondence, no			
12	copies of any correspondence to any of these people showing			
13	that you made an attempt to get hold of them and get voluntary			
14	agreement?			
15	A. Just with Welborn and Campbell. I talked,			
16	the only thing I've done is talked to him on the phone about			
17	that.			
18	Q How about all these other unleased parties?			
19	A. Well, we have pooling.			
20	Q Well, how about ~- well, let's see, let's			
21	try number seven on the first page, Lewis F. Bruner?			
22	A. We, well now, that, we have made the ef-			
23	fort with Sabine. Sabine has the pool executory rights			
24	on that, and I've got letters for Sabine, and they're going -			
25	they're the ones said they're either going to lease or commit			

2 or join us in the well.

MR. STAMETS: Let's go off the record.

(Thereupon discussion was had off the record.)

MR. STAMETS: Back on the record. Mr.

Gibson, since we -- while we were off the record you've given

me copies of a couple of letters here, one to Sabine and one

to Roy G. Barton. These letters represent the types of letters

which you have sent to all of the parties that you have not

acquired the interest in -- in this acreage?

A Yes, sir.

MR. STAMETS: Let's go back off the record.

(Thereupon discussion was had off the record.)

MR. STAMETS: Back on the record.

22 Mr. Gibson, during this period off the
23 record you've handed me a copy of the January 28th, 1982, to
24 Richard Lyons, which indicates the -- that you had been in
25 contact with Mr. Lyons relative to this well, that you are

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submitting certain information to him relative to voluntary agreement.

Is this letter illustrative of the types of efforts that you've made to gain voluntary agreement with most of the parties, with the possible exception of the Welborn/Campbell interest?

A. Yes, sir.

Q Okay. Now, relative to the Welborn/Campbell interest, would you describe to me when you began to make contact with those interests and what the nature of such contact was?

Months ago to start off and asked about the well location and what we were planning to do, because his lease expires in May. And I told him our proposed plan, and then since we were drilling another well and we had our location staked, and he wanted to know about it, which -- after we got a dry hole on a well south of his property, that well was not drilled. And that we planned to drill some Seven Rivers gas and that we would have to force pool, or pool, I didn't say force pool, but we'd have to pool some of those -- the acreage to get the 160-acre tract.

And we talked about his lease and with the 80 acres out by itself, with the north 80 acres to get the

2 160 acres, and he himself said, well, apparently you can do
3 that.

about that until he called Monday and asked if we were going to drill a well and I said yes, we're going to. And he received, I guess the notification of the hearing. In his own terms he told me, well, he wasn't going to fool with it; that, you know, for gas he didn't think it was worth that much.

And I said, well, we're going to have to fool with it and go ahead and start with our drilling program, that we feel like there's a well where that is, and maybe later on before 5-29 we'll get up and drill in the north -- if this looks all right we'll even drill up on his property to the north.

And that seemed to satisfy him and that's I told him that we were in the process of drilling this and we had to do it and if we could work out something, and he says, well, he'd give us another lease, you know, which we don't need another lease right now at 5-29-82, is when this expires.

Q Did you subsequent to that conversation make any attempts to get Mr. Welborn or Ms. Campbell to join in the drilling of this well?

A. Well --

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2.2	Q.	Or do you feel that you need to				
3	A.	Well, I don't think				
4	Q	Do you feel that your lease requires t	hat			
5	you do this?					
6	<b>A.</b>	I don't think our lease, in my opinion	1,			
7	that we that with	this proration unit he permits us to	do			
8	in paragraph 16 of t	his lease, I think we have that right,				
9	but like I say, that	may be for another court to figure.	But			
10	now let me say this,	I did not did not talk to Ms. Camp	bel			
11	because Mr. Welborn	represented, he said he speaks for his				
12	sister, and he and I told him what we planned to do and he					
13	thought, even himself	thought, even himself, he stated himself that he thought the				
14	lease gave us that ri	ight, so I didn't have any question on	it.			
15	4	MR. STAMETS: Mr. Kellahin, do you have	e			
16	some questions of thi	s witness?				
17	P.	MR. KELLAHIN: Yes, sir. May I see the	2			
18	Commission file on th	is case, to show me the application as	3			
19	filed or amended or w	hatever?				
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21		CROSS EXAMINATION				
22	BY MR. KELLAHIN:					
23	Q. M	r. Gibson, you've told Mr. Stamets in				
24	response to a questio	n he asked you that your understanding	,			
25	of the Welborn/Campbe	ll lease was such that you didn't thin	ık			

1 it was necessary to pool it. Was that not your statement? 2 No. That with the -- we didn't want to take any chances; that we had a right under our lease with 5 paragraph sixteen, to go ahead. We went ahead and --So you went ahead and included them in 7 there as royalty interest owners in order to resolve any 8 doubt you might have about what the lease says? A. Right. 10 Who did your title opinions, your Exhibit Q. 11. Number Two? 12 Hinkle. 13 The firm, the Hinkle firm? 14 Yes, we have a Hinkle and we have another 15 one over in Roswell. 16 Yes, sir, what particular attorney was 17 the author of --18 Well, we had -- I don't know exactly on 19 this one. I haven't got all the titles, but it's Doug Luns-20 ford in Roswell did some for us and we had another firm; 21 this latest one has been done by Hinkle, Coffield, Doug Luns-22 ford in Roswell. 23 I'm having trouble matching Exhibit Two 24 with the percentages on the application, and perhaps I can 25 just make it real simple here --

33 A. Okay. -- Mr. Gibson, by showing you the appli-Q. 3 cation and asking you, despite the title information in Exhibit Two, are not the people you intend to pool and the in-5 terests to be pooled those attached on the exhibit to the application? Right. A. All right. Q Now this -- okay. 10 Now Welborn/Campbell interest we talked 11 about is under an existing lease to MGF Oil and Gas Corpora-12 13 tion. Right. 14 And do you have a copy of that lease? 15 16 Yes. 17 May I see it? 18 Did you negotiate this lease with --19 No, sir. -- Mr. WElborn and Campbell interest in 20 21 May of '79? 22 No, sir. Do you know what individual with your 23 company negotiated this lease, Mr. Gibson? 24 25 No. I could find out but I don't know

2 offhand.

Have you brought with you today, Mr. Gibson, all of your correspondence with Mr. Welborn or Ms. Campbell concerning their lease interest in this proration unit?

A No, all I had was telephone conversation.

You don't have any written communication, then, with them.

A No.

And you searched your file and none exists? Is that yes or no?

A Yes.

The first written communication to Mr. Welborn and Ms. Campbell concerning the fact that a pooling hearing would be held on April 14th is Mr. Carr's letter of April 6th, is that not true?

A. Right.

Q Prior to the April 6th date, Mr. Gibson, what, if any, communications did you have verbally with either Mr. Welborn or Ms. Campbell?

A. In, like I said, about a month ago I talked to Mr. Welborn, or he called and I in turn called him several times about drilling the well. He wanted to know what we were doing and I told him our drilling program and what we were going to do on our gas well; that we were going to have

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to get 160-acre proration on some of that.

April 6th letter by Mr. Carr did you advise Mr. Welborn that in an abundance of caution, or whatever reason, you felt it was interest to pool his royalty interest in order to form this proration unit?

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A Ask that again?

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Q Yes, sir. Prior to April 6th of '82 did you inform Mr. Welborn and Ms. Campbell that they were to be subject of a pooling?

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Yes.

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And what did you tell them?

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A That the 80 acres to the north of the 80 acres we would probably pool with the 80 acres to the south in order to get a well. He was wanting a well drilled and I told him as close as we were drilling at this time would be

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the pooling of the 80 acres and with the 80 acres to the south.

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Q There were at that time uncommitted working interests in the 80 acres to the north, were there not?

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A. Not to the north. To the south.

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A You would have -- all right, I'm not clear.

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I'm not trying to argue with you, I just can't understand it.

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Did you tell Mr. Welborn and Ms. Campbell

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that not only did you have to pool that acreage but you had

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      to pool their specific interest in that acreage?
                          Yes.
                          We're not talking about --
                          I didn't talk to Ms. Campbell; I just
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      talked to Mr. Welborn.
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                          All the conversations were with Mr. Wel-
     born?
                          Yes, sir.
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                          All right.
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                          He stated he represented Campbell.
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                          And your communications with him were that
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     you were going to have to pool his interest?
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                          In order to form a proration unit?
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                          Right.
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                         And what was your reason for doing so?
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                          160-acre --
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                         Yes, sir.
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                         -- proration unit for Seven River gas.
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                         And that is because the pooling clause
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     had been stricken in the lease, is that not true?
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                         Right. Right, we did --
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                         There's no other reason to include him in
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     the pooling, then, because of the absence of this pooling
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2 clause. That's the only reason to include him in the forced
3 pooling action, is it not?

A Right, we --

MR. KELLAHIN: If the Examiner please,
we'd like to mark this and introduce it as Exhibit Number One,
I guess, Welborn Exhibit Number One.

MR. CARR: We have no objection to it.

MR. STAMETS: We will allow this to be
done either at this time or subsequent to the hearing, Mr.

Kellahin.

All right, after the April 6th letter, then, if I understood you correctly, you had a conversation with Mr. Welborn on the telephone which took place this last Monday.

A. Yes, sir.

Q All right. Apart from that one phone conversation on Monday and this previous phone conversation several months ago, were there any more than the two telephone conversations?

A Yeah, we talked with him, oh, last fall.

He called. He's called several times and I've had to call him back, wanting to know what our program, irilling program, and things like that were, and if we was going to drill on him, and I told him right now our drilling program was a dry hole;

looked like we wouldn't, you know, wasn't going to go north on him to start with.

Q All right.

MR. KELLAHIN: Mr. Stamets, we would move at this time to dismiss this hearing. We believe that the application filed doesn't comply with Division Rule 1203. The date of the hearing is April 14th. The application was filed on April 5th. We believe the applicant has missed the ten-day period, and you have no other choice but to dismiss the case.

MR. CARR: May it please the Examiner, the application, whatever date it was filed, stamped in on, was filed, checking with the Commission ten days prior to the hearing. I don't know what the date on the stamp says but it was timely filed application, and maybe we should call Ms. Davidson in and ask her to testify to that.

MR. KELLTHIN: Mr. Carr's cover letter that accompanies the application is dated on April 5th, which is the same date it is stamped and it fails to make the tenday rule.

MR. STAMETS: Mr. Carr, do you have any other explanation for the date on your letter?

MR. CARR: No, I don't. We checked with the Commission as to when the applications needed to be filed

39 and filed it on the day it needed to be filed. I can't tell you anything about it except 3 I could check the timesheets at home. It appears to me that whatever the dates are they, you know, without anything to the 5 contrary, have to speak for themselves. I can -- I did call and confirm this and it seems to me it was related to something with Good Friday, but I can't -- I can't tell you. Or Easter, the 4th was on 9 a Sunday. 10 I don't -- I don't know how you'd count 11 that, Mr. Stamets. 12 MR. STAMETS: Well, we will take a very 13 short rec ss. 14 15 (Thereupon a recess was 16 17 taken.) 18 19 MR. STAMETS: Given the circumstances, 20 the Examiner has no choice but to dismiss this application. 21 And there being nothing else on the docket 22 today the hearing is adjourned. 23 (Hearing concluded.) 24

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#### CERTIFICATE

I, SALLY W. BOYD, C.S.R., DO HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing Transcript of Hearing before the Oil Conservation Division was reported by mc; that the said transcript is a full, true, and correct record of the hearing, prepared by me to the best of my ability.

Sally W. Boyd COR

I do hereby certify that the foregoing is a complete record of the proceedings in the Examiner hearing of Case No. 7553

Kichard Q. Hlam, Examiner

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#### STATE OF NEW MEXICO ENERGY AND MINERALS DEPARTMENT

Re: CASE NO.

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May 4, 1982

Mr. William F. Car Campbell, Byrd & B		ORDER NO. R-6966
Attorneys at Law Post Office Box 22 Senta Fe, New Mexi	208	Applicant:
		MGF Oil Corporation
Dear Sir:		
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Yours very truly,		
JOE D. RAMEY Director		
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#### STATE OF NEW MEXICO ENERGY AND MINERALS DEPARTMENT OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

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

> CASE NO. 7558 Order No. R-6966

APPLICATION OF MGF OIL CORPORATION FOR COMPULSORY POOLING, IEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

#### ORDER OF THE DIVISION

#### BY THE DIVISION:

This cause came on for hearing at 9 a.m. on April 14, 1982, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner Richard L. Stamets.

NOW, on this 3rd day of May, 1982, the Division Director, having considered the record and the recommendations of the Examiner, and being fully advised in the premises,

#### FINDS:

That as the written application was not submitted within 10 days prior to the hearing date as provided in Rule 1203 of the Division Rules and Regulations, Case 7558 must be dismissed.

#### IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

That Case No. 7558 is hereby dismissed.

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

> STATE OF NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

JOE D. RAMEY,

Director

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May, 29th AGREEMENT, Made and entered into the \_day of Alonzo J. Welborn, dealing in his sole and separate property,

P.O. Box 423, Alvarado, Texas 76009

whose post office address is .

MGF OIL CORPORATION

whose post office address is Midland, Texas hereinafter of TEN & NO/100\_\_\_\_\_\_

WITNESSETH. That the Lessor, for and in consideration of the covenants and agreements hereinafter contained, has granted, demised, leased and let, and by these presents does grant, denise, lease and let exclusively unto the said Lessee, the land hereinafter described, with the exclusive right for the purpose of mining, exploring by geophysical and other methods, and operating for and producing therefrom oil and all gas of whatsoever nature or kind, with rights of way and essements for laying pipe lines, and exection of structures thereon to produce, save and take care

of said products, all that certain tract of land situated in the County of LOB State of New Mexico

, described as follows, to-wit: Down to but not below a

depth of 100 feet below the deepest depth drilled on the leased premises during the primary term hereof:

Township 19 South, Range 39 East Section 31: NW/4, and N/2 S/2

is at the excitation of the primary term of his lease, old or gas is not being produced on the lease of promise.

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by, or if such failure is the result of, any such Law, Order, Rule or Regulation.

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time to redeem for Lessor, by payment, any mortgages, taxes or other liens on the above described lands, in the event of default of payment by
Lessor and be subrogated to the rights of the holder thereof, and the undersigned Lessors, for themselves and their heirs, successors and assigns,
hereby surrender and release all right of dower and homestead in the premises described herein, insofar as said right of dower and homestead may
in any way affect the purposes for which this lease is made, as recited herein.

15. Should any one or more of the parties hereinstove named as Lessor fail to execute this lease, it shall not richeless be binding upon all
such parties who do execute it as Lessor. The word "Lessor," as used in this lease, shall mean any one or more or all of the parties who execute
this lease as Lessor. All the provisions of this lease shall be binding on the heirs, successors and assigns of Lessor and Lessor.

16. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained herein, if Lessee secures production during the primary term of this lease, it is understood and agreed that , except as to the following specithis lease shall expire on June 1, 1984 fied acreage around each well then producing or capable of producing in commercial quantities and/or each well then being drilled which is, within a reasonable time thereafter, completed as a commercial producer: (1) 40 acres around each oil well and/or (2) 160 acres around each gas well and/or (3) such larger proration units as are prescribed for such wells by the Oil and Gas Conservation Commission of

or other lawful authority having jurisdiction, such tracts New Mexico to be in as near the form of a square as practical. At such time, Lessee will promptly deliver to Lessor a partial release covering the unearmed acreage and depths. IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this instrument is executed on the date first above written.

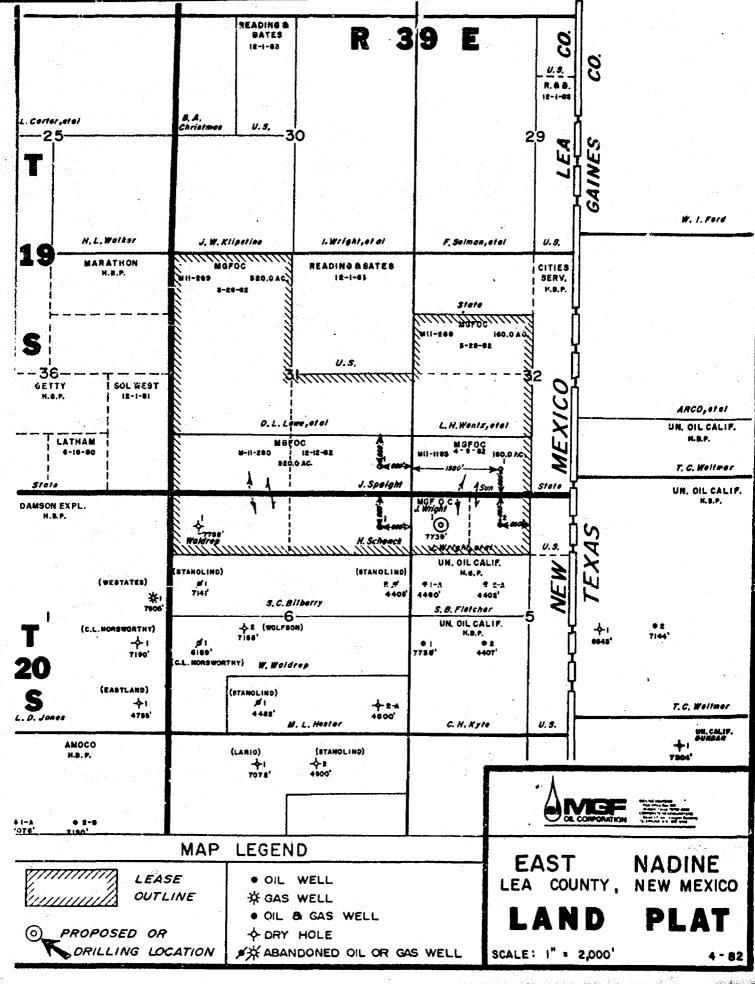
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BEFORE EXAMINER NUTTER
OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

NOF EXHIBIT NO. 1

CASE NO. 7558

#### TITLE OPINION IN RE:

S/2 of SE/4 Section 31, Township 19 South, Range 39 East, N.M.P.M., Lea County, New Mexico

FEE SIMPLE TITLE: Fee simple title to the oil, gas and other minerals in and under the above described land is shown to be vested in the following owners as indicated, to-wit:

STATUS: UL - unleased; MGF - leased; NAR - leased

		OWNER	UNDIVIDED MINERAL INTEREST OWNED
UL	1)	Oca Mason Heirs Jean Marie Johansen, et vir. Dan Myron James Mason Franklin Keith Mason	1/160
MGF	2)	John H. Costello (John H. Harrington Interest)	3/160
MGF	3}	Bella Steiner, a widow	3/320
MGF	4)	June D. Speight	3/32
NAR	5)	Henry D. Beddford	1/32
MGF	6)	Georgiana S. Kane	3/320
UL	7)	Louis F. Breuner	1/320
UL	8)	Ellis Rudy	3/320
UL	9)	Henry Schaefer	1/640
UL	10)	Janice R. Magee and Betty J. Catlin	1/320
UL	11)	Joseph F. Woodsum	1/160
UL	12)	Suits E. Strasinger and/or Maude Strasinger	1/320
UL	13)	Dr. Edwin Merrithew	1/640
UL	14)	Ruby R. Fulmer	1/320
UL	15)	Alice C. Hardy	1/320
UL	16)	Irving G. Downs	1/640
UL	17)	A. C. and/or Blanche E. Edler	1/160
UL	18)	Edward Seymour Osborne	1/160
MGF	19)	Frank A. Elliott, Jr.	1/160
MGF	20)	Charles K. Elliott	1/160
UL	21)	Libby P. Wright	1/320
MGF	22)	Henry A. and/or Blanche Oliver	1/320
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Richard S. Oliver and Linda

Oliver (Heirs of Andrew W.

MGF

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BEFORE EXAMINER NUTTER OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

EXHIBIT NO. 2

CASE NO. 7559

### Page 2 of fee simple title

MGF	24)	Ann Ellen Dekker (Heir of Lottie Oliver)	1/320
UL	25)	R. A. Thurmon	1/320
MGF	26)	H. Dillard Schenck	1/16
MGF	27)	H. Dillard Schenck (Life Est.)	1/16
MGF	28)	Kirby D. Schenck	5/128
MGF	29)	H. B. Fuqua, Tr. U/W/O Dolores Mooers, Dec'd.	7/240
MGF	30)	Maria Mooers Heater	7/480 /
MGF	31)	The First National Bank of Fort Worth, Trustee	3/160~
NAR	32)	S. C. Bilberry	1/32
MGF	33)	Lillian Herdon	3/320
NAR	34)	Florence Louise Whitsett Woods	7/320
MGF	35)	New Mexico Bank & Trust Co., J. E. Simmons and Beulah Simmon	s 3/32
NAR	36)	Pat Alston Ward	1/32
MGF	37)	Richard Lyons Moore	35/3840
MGF	38)	Michael H. Moore	35/3840
MGF	39)	Stephen Scott Moore	35/3840
UL	40)	Priscilla A. Kyte, Conservator of the Est. of David Bond Kyte	1/128
UL	41)	Betty M. Dreessen	1/128
UL	42)	Betty M. Dreessen and Ingrid D. Powell, Trustees	1/128
MGF	43)	Bank of Calif. Nat'l. Assoc., Tr. for Betty K. Dreessen	64% of 1/128
MGF	44)	Bank of Calif. Nat'l. Assoc., Tr. for Cecile Mariee Dreessen	12% of 1/128
MGF	45)	Craig C. Powell & Ingrid D. Powell, Trs. for C&I Powell Tr.	12% of 1/128
UL	46)	Edward T. Dreessen, Jr.	12% of 1/128
UL	(47)	Roy G. Barton	35/1280
MGF	481	Promco, Inc.	1/640
MGF	49)	Robert W. Wakefield	1/1280
MGF	50)	David D. Wakefield	1/1280
MGF	51)	John L. Pratt, III	1/1280
MGF	52)	Frank Grier Wakefield	1/1280

#### Page 3 of fee simple title

MGF	53)	Andrew Oil and Gas Royalties	3/640
NAR	54)	The Hefner Company	9/160
MGF	55)	Gladys Berry	1/640
MGF	56)	Doris A. Wilk	1/640
MGF	57)	Mark and/or Bessie Whelan	1/640
MGF	58)	Arlon Bernice Bray	1/1280
MGF	59)	Beatrice Blackburn	1/1280
UL	(60)	Sabine Production Company	1/20
NAR	620	The Blanco Company	1/16
υL	(62)	Kirby Exploration Company	9/128

TITLE OPINION IN RE:

The oil, gas and other minerals
in and under the Northwest Quarter )
(NW/4) and the North Half of the
South Half (N/2S/2) of Section 31, )
Township 19 South, Range 39 East, )
N.M.P.M., Lea County, New Mexico. )

(b) Fee simple title to the oil, gas and other minerals in and under the North Half of the Southeast Quarter (11/2SE/4) of Section 31, Township 19 South, Range 39 East, N.M.P.M., Lea County, New Mexico, is shown to be vested in the following owners as indicated, to-wit:

#### OWNER

Robert Thomas Hartley

Teddy Lowe Hartley

Coy S. Lowe

Larry K. Lowe

Loretta D. Lowe

Daryl L. Lowe

Shana Lowe Conine

Charles D. Sands

Alonzo J. Welborn

Winifred Sue Campbell

John J. Christmann

Jones Robinson Company, a partnership

Anderson Carter (life estate)

Powhatan Carter, Jr., (life estate)

New Mexico Bank and Trust Company, Trustee under terms of Trust created under Wills of J. E. and Beulah H. Simmons, deceased

Mary Frances Cusack

John Patrick Cusack, Jr.

John Patrick Cusack, Jr., Trustee under terms of Trust created by Last Will of J. P. Cusack, deceased

Michael F. Cusack

Samedan Oil Corporation

Me-Tex Supply Company

#### UNDIVIDED MINERAL INTEREST OWNED

An undivided 1/16 interest

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An undivided 1/8 interest

An undivided 1/16 interest

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An undivided 1/16 interest

An undivided 1/16 interest

An undivided 1/32 interest

An undivided 7/128 interest

An undivided 7/128 interest

An undivided 7/64 interest

An undivided 1/16 interest

An undivided 1/32 interest

An undivided 1/32 interest

An undivided 1/16 interest

An undivided 1/256 interest

An undivided 3/2,048 interest

An undivided 1/1,024 interest

An undivided 3/2,048 interest

An undivided 1/128 interest

An undivided 3/64 interest

JACH M. CAMPBELL
MARL D. BYRD
BRUCE D. DLACK
MICHAEL B. CAMPBELL
WILLIAM F. CARR
BRADFORD C. BERGE
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RETURN RECEIPT, REGISTERED, INSURED AND CERTIFIED MAI

April 6, 1982

Alonzo J. Welborn P.O. Box 423 Alvaredo, Texas 76009

Re: New Mexico Oil Conservation Division Case 7558

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is a copy of the docket for the April 14, 1982 Oil Conservation Division Examiner Hearing.

You may have an interest that will be affected by the above-referenced cases.

Very truly yours,

William F. Carr

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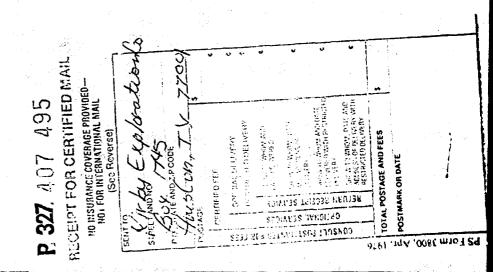
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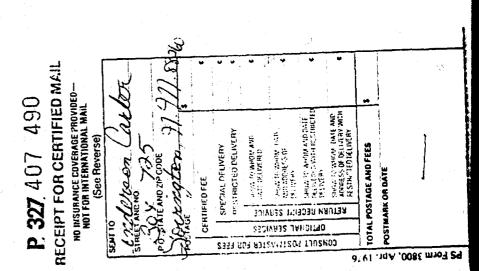
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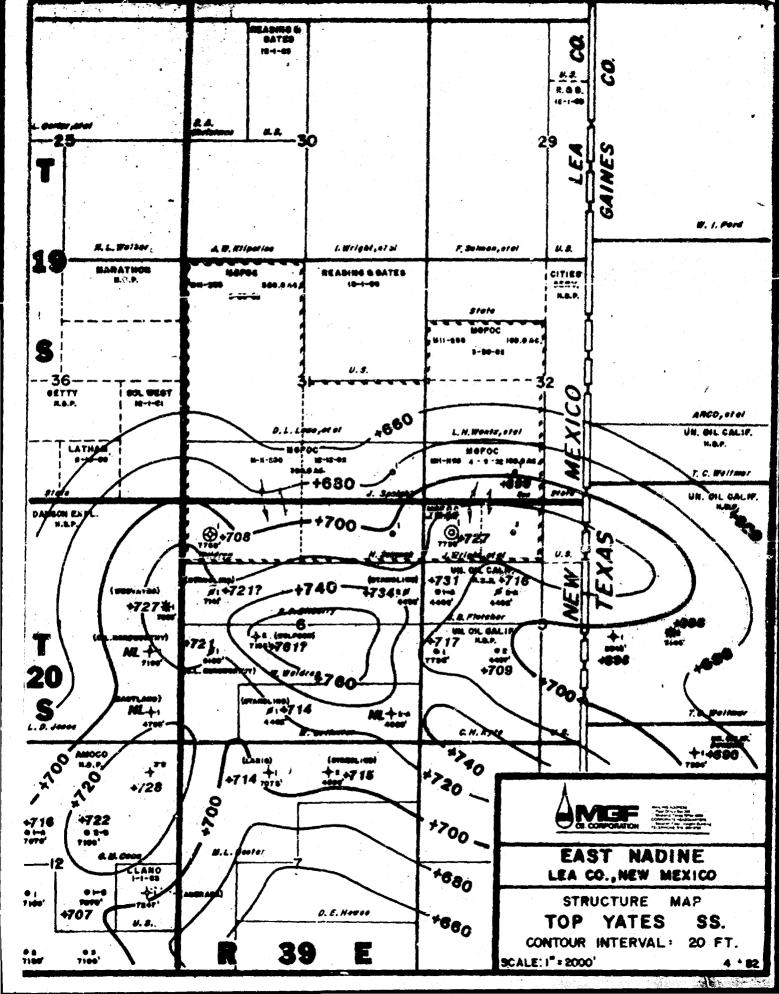
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Dockets No. 11-82 and 12-82 are tentatively set for April 28 and May 12, 1982. Applications for hearing must be filed at least 22 days in advance of hearing date.

#### DOCKET: EXAMINER HEARING - WEDNESDAY - APRIL 14, 1982

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

The following cases will be heard before Richard L. Stamets, Examiner, or Daniel S. Nutter, Alternate Examiner:

- ALLOWABLE: (1) Consideration of the allowable production of gas for May, 1982, from fifteen prorated pools in Lea, Eddy, and Chaves Counties, New Mexico.
  - (2) Consideration of the allowable production of gas for May, 1982, from four prorated pools in San Juan, Rio Arriba, and Sandoval Counties, New Mexico.
- CASE 7536: In the matter of the hearing called by the Oil Conservation Division on its own motion to permit A. B.

  Bernstein and all other interested parties to appear and show cause why the Allan Well No. 1 located in Unit F, Section 23, Township 29 North, Range 13 West, San Juan County, should not be re-entered and plugged and abandoned in accordance with a Division-approved plugging program.
- CASE 7537: In the matter of the hearing called by the Oil Conservation Division on its own motion to permit F. R. Umbarger, Trustee and all other interested parties to appear and show cause why the Davis Pooled Unit Well No. 1, located in Unit I, Section 27, Township 29 North, Range 11 West, San Juan County, should not be re-entered and plugged and abandoned in accordance with a Division-approved plugging program.
- CASE 7538: In the matter of the hearing called by the Oil Conservation Division on its own motion to permit Francis L. Harvey and all other interested parties to appear and show cause why the Pinkstaff Estate Well No. 1, located in Unit A, Section 29, Township 29 North, Range 10 West, San Juan County, should not be re-entered and plugged and abandoned in accordance with a Division-approved plugging program.
- CASE 7539: In the matter of the hearing called by the Oil Conservation Division on its own motion to permit B.M.N.S. Company, American Employers Insurance and all other interested parties to appear and show cause why the following wells: Waggoner No. 1, Brown No. 2, Wyper No. 2, located in Units K, M, and O, respectively, of Section 29, Township 30 North, Range 12 West, San Juan County, should not be plugged and abandoned in accordance with Division-approved plugging programs.
- CASE 7540: In the matter of the hearing called by the Oil Conservation Division on its own motion to permit PaulyAnderson-Pritchard and all other interested parties to appear and show cause why the Maloy Well No. 1,
  located in Unit P, Section 16, Township 29 North, Range 11 West, San Juan County, should not be plugged
  and abandoned in accordance with a Division-approved plugging program.
- CASE 7541: In the matter of the hearing called by the Oil Conservation Division on its own motion to permit E. J.

  Miley and all other interested parties to appear and show cause why the Hare (Ransom) Well No. 1, located in Unit N, Section 14, Township 29 North, Range 11 West, San Juan County, should not be plugged and abandoned in accordance with a Division-approved plugging program.
- CASE 7542: In the matter of the hearing called by the Oil Conservation Division on its own motion to permit Benson-Montin-Greer Drilling Corporation, Hartford Accident and Indemnity Company, and all other interested parties to appear and show cause why the following wells: Dustin No. 1, located in Unit K, Section 6, and the Gallegos Canyon Unit No. 2, located in Unit K, Section 35, both in Township 29 North, Range 12 West, and the Segal No. 1, located in Unit K, Section 10, and the Price No. 1, located in Unit N, Section 15, both in Township 31 North, Range 13 West, San Juan County, should not be plugged and abandoned in accordance with Division-approved plugging programs.
- CASE 7543: In the matter of the herring called by the Oil Conservation Division on its own motion to permit Calvin Petroleum Corporation, United States Fidelity and Guaranty Co., and all other interested parties to appear and show cause why the Kaempf SWD Well No. 1, located in Unit N, Section 19, Township 30 North, Range 11 West, San Juan County, should not be plugged and abandoned in accordance with a Division-approved plugging program.

- CASE 7544: Application of Dinero Operating Company for an unorthodox gas well location, Eddy County, New Mexico.

  Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for the unorthodox location of a well to be drilled 660 feet from the North and East lines of Section 20, Township 22 South, Range 28 East, Morrow formation, the N/2 of said Section 20, to be Cedicated to the well.
- CASE 7545: Application of Baker Engineering for a non-standard gas proration unit, Eddy County, New Mexico.

  Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval of a 258.16-acre non-standard gas proration unit for the Morrow formation comprising all of partial Section 32, Township 26 South, Range 30 East.
- CASE 7546: Application of Sonny's Oil Field Services, Inc. for an oil treating plant permit, Lea County, New Mexico.

  Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks authority for the construction and operation of an oil treating plant for the purpose of treating and reclaiming sediment oil at its salt water disposal site in the NW/4 NE/4 of Section 29, Township 18 South, Range 38 East.
- CASE 7547: Application of Anadarko Production Company for an unorthodox oil well location, Lea County, New Mexico.

  Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval of an unorthodox location 2550 feet from the North

  line and 1350 feet from the West line of Section 15, Township 22 South, Range 37 East, Penrose Skelly

  Pool, the SE/4 NW/4 of said Section 15 to be dedicated to the well.
- CASE 7517: (Continued from March 31, 1982, Examiner Hearing)

Application of Anadarko Production Company for an unorthodox oil well location, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval of an unorthodox location 1450 feet from the South line and 1400 feet from the West line of Section 15, Township 22 South, Range 37 East, Penrose Skelly Pool, the NE/4 SW/4 of said Section 15 to be dedicated to the well.

- CASE 7548: Application of Tahoe Oil & Cattle Co. for salt water disposal, Lea County, New Mexico.

  Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks authority to dispose of produced salt water into the San

  Andres formation in the perforated interval from 4932 feet to 4992 feet in its Schwalbe Well No. 1,
  located in Unit P of Section 21, Township 9 South, Range 37 East, West Sawyer-San Andres Pool.
- CASE 7549: Application of H. L. Brown for an unorthodox yas well location, Lea County, New Mexico.

  Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval of an unorthodox Pennsylvanian gas well location 609 feet from the South line and 1665 feet from the East line of Section 32, Township 15 South, Range 32 East, the S/2 of said Section 32 to be dedicated to the well, an existing well which is to be deepened.
- CASE 7550: Application of Harvey E. Yates Company for the Rescission of Order No. R-6918, Chaves County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks the rescission of Order No. R-6918, which compulsorily pocled the Atoka-Morrow formation underlying the N/2 of Section 19, Township 8 South, Range 30 East, Chaves County, New Mexico, to be dedicated to a well to be drilled at a standard location thereon. Applicant now seeks the rededication of the E/2 of said Section 19 to the aforesaid well without compulsory pooling.
- CASE 7551: Application of Harvey E. Yates Company for compulsory pooling, Chaves County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests in the Wolfcamp through Mississippian formizions underlying the E/2 of Section 21, Township 11 South, Range 31 East, to be dedicated to a well to be drilled at a standard location thereon. Also to be considered will be the cost of drilling and completing said well and the allocation of the cost thereof as well as actual operating costs and charges for supervision, designation of applicant as operator of the well and a charge for risk involved in drilling said well.
- CASE 7552: Application of Merrion Oil & Gas Company for compulsory pooling, Sandoval County, New Mexico.

  Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests down through and including the Gallup formation underlying the S/2 SE/4 of Section 20, Township 23 North, Range 6 West, to be dedicated to a well to be drilled at a standard location thereon. Also to be considered will be the cost of drilling and completing said well and the allocation of the cost thereof as well as actual operating costs and charges for supervision, designation of applicant as operator of the well and a charge for risk involved in drilling said well.
- CASE 7553: Application of Fred Pool Drilling Company for compulsory pooling, Chaves County, New Mexico.

  Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests from the surface down through the Abo formation, underlying the SW/4 of Section 17, Township 6 South, Range 25 East, to be dedicated to a wall to be drilled at a standard location thereon. Also to be considered will be the cost of drilling and completing said well and the allocation of the cost thereof as well as actual operating costs and charges for supervision, designation of applicant as operator of the well and a charge for risk involved in drilling said well.

#### CASE 7520: (Continued and Readvertised)

Application of Lewis B. Burleson, Inc. for compulsory pooling and a non-standard oil proration unit, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests in the Jalmat Pool underlying a 30-acre non-standard oil proration unit comprising the N/2 of the Easternmost 60 acres of the NW/4 of Section 15, Township 24 South, Range 36 East, to be dedicated to a well to be drilled at a standard location thereon. Also to be considered will be the cost of drilling and completing said well and the allocation of the cost thereof as well as actual operating costs and charges for supervision, designation of applicant as operator of the well and a charge for risk involved in drilling said well.

- CASE 7554: Application of Morris R. Antweil for compulsory pooling, Lea County, New Mexico.

  Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests from the surface to the top of the Drinkard formation underlying the NW/4 SW/4 of Section 5, Township 20 South, Range 38 East, to be dedicated to a well to be drilled at a standard location thereon. Also to be considered will be the cost of drilling and completing said well and the allocation of the cost thereof as well as actual operating costs and charges for supervision, designation of applicant as operator of the well and a charge for risk involved in drilling said well.
- CASE 7555: Application of Morris R. Antwell for compulsory pooling, Lea County, New Mexico.

  Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests from the surface to the top of the Drinkard formation underlying the SW/4 NW/4 of Section 5, Township 20 South, Range 38 East, to be dedicated to a well to be drilled at a standard location thereon. Also to be considered will be the cost of drilling and completing said well and the allocation of the cost thereof as well as actual operating costs and charges for supervision, designation of applicant as operator of the well and a charge for risk involved in drilling said well.
- Application of MGF Oil Corporation for compulsory pooling, Lea County, New Mexico.

  Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests from the surface down through the San Andres formation underlying the NE/4 NW/4 of Section 5, Township 20 South, Range 39 East, to be dedicated to a well to be drilled at a standard location thereon. Also to be considered will be the cost of drilling and completing said well and the allocation or the cost thereof as well as actual operating costs and charges for supervision, designation of applicant as operator of the well and a charge for risk involved in drilling said well.
- CASE 7557: Application of MGF Oil Corporation for compulsory pooling, Lea County, New Mexico.

  Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests from the surface down through the Seven Rivers formation underlying the SW/4 of Section 32, Township 19 South, Range 39 East, to be dedicated to a well to be drilled at a standard location thereon. Also to be considered will be the cost of drilling and completing said well and the allocation of the cost thereof as well as actual operating costs and charges for supervision, designation of applicant as operator of the well and a charge for risk involved in drilling said well.
- Application of MGF Oil Corporation for compulsory pooling, Lea County, New Mexico.

  Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests from the surface down through the Seven Rivers formation underlying the SE/4 of Section 31, Township 19 South, Range 39 East, to be dedicated to a well to be drilled at a standard location thereon. Also to be considered will be the cost of drilling and completing said well and the allocation of the cost thereof as well as actual operating costs and charges for supervision, designation of applicant as operator of the well and a charge for risk involved in drilling said well.

#### CASE 7515: (Continued from March 31, 1982 Examiner Hearing)

Application of Four Corners Gas Producers Association for designation of a tight formation, San Juan County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks the designation of the Dakota formation underlying all or portions of Townships 26 and 27 North, Range 12 and 13 West, Township 28 North, Range 13 West, Township 29 North, Ranges 13 through 15 West, and Township 30 North, Ranges 14 and 15 West, contrining 164,120 acres, more or less, as a tight formation pursuant to Section 107 of the Natural Gas Policy Act and 18 CFR Section 271, 701-705.

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- CASE 7559: In the matter of the hearing called by the Oil Conservation Division on its own motion for an order creating, abolishing, and extending certain pools in Lea and Roosevelt Counties, New Mexico.
  - (a) CREATE a new pool in Lea County, New Mexico, classified as a gas pool for Mississippian production and designated as the Caudill-Mississippian Gas Pool. The discovery well is the Moran Exploration, Inc. Gann Well No. 1 located in Unit D of Section 9, Township 15 South, Range 36 East, NMPM. Said pool would comprise:

#### TOWNSHIP 15 SOUTH, RANGE 36 EAST, NMPM Section 9: NW/4

(b) CREATE a new pool in Roosevelt County, New Mexico, classified as an oil pool for Pennsylvanian production and designated as the North Dora-Pennsylvanian Pool. The discovery well is the Enserch Exploration, Inc. Collier Well No. 1 located in Unit I of Section 29, Township 4 South, Range 33 East, NMPM. Said pool would comprise:

#### TOWNSHIP 4 SOUTH, RANGE 33 EAST, NMPM Section 29: E/2

(c) CREATE a new pool in Lea County, New Mexico, classified as a gas pool for Morrow production and designated as the Johnson Ranch-Morrow Gas Pool. The discovery well is the Mesa Petroleum Company Jackson Unit Well No. 1 located in Unit G of Section 22, Township 24 South, Range 33 East, NMPM. Said pool would comprise:

#### TOWNSHIP 24 SOUTH, RANGE 33 EAST, NMPM Section 22: E/2

(d) CREATE a new pool in Lea County, New Mexico, classified as an oil pool for Delawars production and designated as the East Triste Draw-Delaware Pool. The discovery well is the Getty Oil Company Getty 28 State Well No. 1 located in Unit J of Section 28, Township 24 South, Range 33 East, NMPM. Said pool would comprise:

#### TOWNSHIP 24 SOUTH, RANGE 33 EAST, NMPM Section 28: SE/4

(e) CREATE a new pool in Lea County, New Mexico, classified as a gas pool for Morrow production and designated as the Triste Draw-Morrow Gas Pool. The discovery well is the Amoco Production Company State IG Com Well No. 1 located in Unit B of Section 32, Township 23 South, Range 32 East, NMPM. Said pool would comprise:

#### TOWNSHIP 23 SOUTH, RANGE 32 EAST, KMPM Section 32: N/2

(f) CREATE a new pool in Lea County, New Mexico, classified as a gas pool for Wolfcamp production and designated as the Vaca Draw-Wolfcamp Gas Pool. The discovery well is the HNG Oil Company Bell Lake 11 Federal Well #1 located in Unit B of Section 11, Township 25 South, Range 33 East, NMPM. Said pool would comprise:

#### TOWNSHIP 25 SOUTH, RANGE 33 EAST, NNPM Section 11: N/2

(g) CREATE a new pool in Lea County, New Mexico, classified as an oil pool for Bone Spring production and designated as the West Vacuum-Bone Spring Pool. The discovery well is the Amoco Production Company State HS Com Well No. 1 located in Unit K of Section 9, Township 18 South, Range 34 East, NMPM. Said pool would comprise:

#### TOWNSHIP 18 SOUTH, RANGE 34 EAST, NMPM Section 9: SW/4

(h) CREATE a new pool in Roosevelt County, New Mexico, classified as a gas pool for Granite Wash production and designated as the South Tanneyhill-Granite Wash Gas Pool. The discovery well is the Threshold Development Company Harris 14 Well No. 1 located in Unit B of Section 14, Township 6 South, Range 33 East, NNPM, currently classified as producing from the Pennsylvanian formation and in the Tanneyhill-Pennsylvanian Gas Pool. The well has been re-evaluated and the producing interval is more correctly defined as Granite Wash. Said pool would comprise:

#### TOWNSHIP 6 SOUTH, RANGE 33 EAST, NHPM Section 14: N/2

(i) ABOLISH the Tanneyhill-Pennsylvanian Gas Pool in Roosevelt County, New Mexico, as heretofore classified, defined, and described as:

TOWNSHIP 6 SOUTH, RANGE 33 EAST, NMPM Section 14: All

(j) EXTEND the Baum-Upper Pennsylvanian Pool in Lea County, New Mexico, to include therein:

TOWNSHIP 14 SOUTH, RANGE 33 EAST, NMPM Section 7: 9E/4

(k) EXTEND the Bilbrey-Morrow Gas Pool in Lea County, New Mexico, to include therein:

TOWNSHIP 22 SOUTH, RANGE 32 EAST, NMPM Section 4: N/2 Section 5: NE/4

(1) EXTEND the Blinebry Oil and Gas Pool in Lea County, New Mexico, to include therein:

TOWNSHIP 20 SOUTH, RANGE 38 EAST, NMPM Section 33: NW/4

(m) EXTEND the Bootleg Ridge-Morrow Gas Pool in Lea County, New Mexico, to include therein:

TOWNSHIP 22 SOUTH, RANGE 33 EAST, NMPM Section 17: W/2

(n) EXTEND the Buffalo-Pennsylvanian Gas Pool in Lea County, New Mexico, to include therein:

TOWNSHIP 19 SOUTH, RANGE 33 EAST, NMPM Section 9: N/2

(o) EXTEND the North Peterson-Pennsylvanian Pool in Roosevelt County, New Mexico, to include therein:

TOWNSHIP 4 SOUTH, RANGE 33 EAST, NMPM Section 16: SE/4 Section 20: NE/4

(p) EXTEND the South Peterson-Pennsylvanian Associated Pool in Roosevelt County, New Mexico, to include therein:

TOWNSHIP 6 SOUTH, RANGE 33 EAST, NHPM Section 14: All

(q) EXTEND the Sowell-Morrow Pool in Lee County, New Mexico, to include therein:

TOWNSHIP 15 SOUTH, RANGE 32 EAST, NHPM Section 11: NW/4

(r) EXTEND the Wantz-Abo Pool in Lea County, New Mexico, to include therein:

TOWNSHIP 21 SOUTH, RANGE 37 EAST, NMPM Section 9: NE/4

## STATE OF NEW MEXICO DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY AND MINERALS OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF MGF CIL CORPORATION FOR COMPULSORY POOLING, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

Case 7558

#### MOTION TO DISMISS APPLICATION

Comes now, A. J. Welborn and Winifred Sue Campbell, by and through their attorneys, Kellahin & Kellahin, and move to dismiss the compulsory pooling application in so far as it affects their interests herein and as grounds therefore state:

#### STATEMENT OF FACTS

A. J. Welborn and Winifred Sue Campbell each own a portion of the oil and gas minerals underlying the N/2SE/4 of Section 31, T19S, R39E, Lea County. In May, 1979, both Mr. Welborn and Mrs. Campbell leased their minerals to the applicant. MGF Oil Corporation. The parties used a printed form oil and gas lease which contained a pooling clause. By agreement, the parties specifically deleted the pooling clause and signed the lease.

MGF Oil Corporation now seeks to "cure" the deletion of the pooling clause from the lease, by requesting the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division to order that the Welborn-Campbell interests be pooled.

#### ARGUMENT

Can a lessee, who contracts with his lessor not to have a pooling clause in his lease, obtain a compulsory pooling order from the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division pooling his lessor's interest? The answer is no.

The deletion of the pooling clause represents the unambiguous expression of the intent of the parties that the lessee shall not pool the lessor's interest with any other acreage. See Gibson v. Turner, 156 Tex. 289, 294 SW 2nd, 70. & G.R. 1212 (1956); Harris v. Griffith, 210 S 2nd 629, 28 O. & G.R. 398 (Miss. 1968); Atlantic Refining Co. v. Shell Oil Co., 217 La, 576, 46 S. 2nd 907 (1950).

It is well recognized that regulatory commissions are not authorized by the provisions of pooling statutes to adjudicate private controversies as to the construction of instruments or related matters. See 6 Williams & Meyers, Oil & Gas Law Sec. 941.2.

#### CONCLUSION

MGF Oil Corporation now seeks to do what they specifically contracted not to do. Accordingly, the Movants requests that the application be dismissed as to their respective interests herein.

Respectfully submitted,

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SANIA FE

Application of MGF Oil Corporation for Compulsory Pooling, Lea County, New Mexico

Dear Mr. Ramey:

Enclosed in triplicate is the application of MGF Oil Corporation in the above-referenced matter.

The applicant requests that this matter be included on the docket for the examiner hearing scheduled to be held on April 14, 1982.

William F. Carr

WFC: jh w/enc.

cc: Mr. W.M. "Hoot" Gibson

BEFORE THE

#### OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

#### NEW MEXICO DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY AND MINERAL'S

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF MGF OIL CORPORATION FOR COMPULSORY POOLING LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

APR 0.5, 1982

CASE 7558

#### APPLICATION

Comes now, MGF OIL CORPORATION, by and through its undersigned attorneys and, as provided by Section 70-2-17, New Mexico Statutes Annotated, 1978 Compilation, hereby makes application for an order pooling all of the mineral interests from the surface through the Seven Rivers formation in and under the SE/4 of Section 31, Township 19 South, Range 39 East, N.M.P.M., Lea County, New Mexico, and in support thereof would show the Division:

- 1. Applicant is the owner of 64.9% of the working interest in and under the SE/4 of said Section 31, and applicant has the right to drill thereon.
- 2. Applicant proposes to dedicate the above-referenced pooled unit to a well to be drilled at an orthodox location in said Section 31.
- 3. Applicant has sought and obtained either voluntary agreement for pooling or farmout from all other interest owners in the SE/4 of said Section 31 except the following:

#### SEE ATTACHED SCHEDULE

4. Said pooling of interest and well completion will avoid the drilling of unnecessary wells, will prevent waste and will protect correlative rights.

5. In order to permit the applicant to obtain its just and fair share of the oil and gas underlying the subject lands, the mineral interest should be pooled, and applicant should be designated the operator of the well to be drilled.

WHEREFORE, applicant prays that this application be set for hearing before the Division's duly appointed examiner, and that after notice and hearing as required by law, the Division enter its order pooling the lands, including provisions designating the applicant as operator of the well, providing for applicant to recover its costs of drilling, equipping and completing the well, its costs of supervision while drilling, and after completion, including overhead charges, and assessing a risk factor for the risk assumed by the applicant in drilling, completing and equipping the well, and making such other and further provisions as may be proper in the premises.

Respectfully submitted,
CAMPBELL, BYRD & BLACK, P.A.

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### SCHEDULE TO BE ATTACHED TO AND MADE PART OF PARAGRAPH 3 OF APPLICATION

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Winifred Sue Campbell	.0273437 RI
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Anderson Carter, Jr.	.015625 MI
Powhatan Carter	.015625 MI
Betty M. Dreesen	.0019531 WI
Edward T. Dressen, Jr.	.0004687 WI
Priscilla A. Kyte, Conservator of the Estate of David Bond Kyte	.0039062 WI
Roy G. Barton	.0136718 WI
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North American Royalties, Inc.	.1171875 WI
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Ellis Rudy	.0046875 WI
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#### STATE OF NEW MEXICO ENERGY AND MINERALS DEPARTMENT OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

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

> CASE NO. 7550 Order No. 1:- 6966

APPLICATION OF MGF OIL CORPORATION FOR COMPULSORY POOLING, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

ORDER OF THE DIVISION

BY THE DIVISION:

This cause came on for hearing at 9 a.m. on April 14, 1982, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner Richard L. Stamets.

NOW, on this \_\_\_\_\_ day of April, 1982, the Division Director, having considered the record and the recommendations of the Examiner, and being fully advised in the premises,

#### FINDS:

That as the written application was not submitted within 10 days prior to the hearing date as provided in Rule 1203 of the Division Rules and Progulations, case 7558

#### IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

That Case No. 7558 is hereby dismissed.

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

STATE OF NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

JOE D. RAMEY, Director

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### Memo

FLORENE DAVIDSON

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