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IN THE MATTER OF:

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Application of Corinne Grace for special gas-oil ratio limitation and) pressure maintenance project, Chaves) County, New Mexico.

Case No. 4563

Richard L. Stamets BEFORE:

Examiner

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MR. STAMETS: We will now call Case 4563. MR. HATCH: Case Number 4563 is the application of Corinne Grace for special gas-oil ratio limitation and pressure maintenance project, Chaves County, New Mexico. MR. STAMETS: I will call for appearances in Case 4563.

MR. SPERLING: James E. Sperling, appearing for the applicant; George Huuber, co-counsel.

MR. HINKLE: Clarence E. Hinkle of Roswell appearing for the Humble Oil and Refining Company.

MR. STAMETS: Are there any other appearances in this case?

(No response.)

MR. STAMETS: You may proceed, Mr. Sperling.

MR. SPERLING: We have Mr. LeMay as our first witness.

(Whereupon William LeMay was sworn by Mr. Hatch.)

WILLIAM J. LeMAY,

appeared as a witness and having already been duly sworn, testified as follows:

MR. SPERLING: Mr. Examiner, there are a couple of preliminary matters that I would like to call to the Commission's attention. The Case was advertised seeking State Well Number One, authority to produce Corinne Grace

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located in Unit A of Section 1, Township 15 South, Range 29 East, Double L-Queen Pool, Chaves County, New Mexico; and to seek authority to strip the liquids. We wish to delete that from the application, requesting authority to strip the liquids in the proposed area.

The applicant simply seeks to use conventional separation, gas separation procedures, insofar as the produced gas is concerned.

The second matter which we wish to delete from the application is that portion of it which seeks to transfer an oil allowable from Well Number Two to Well Number One. There has never been an allowable assigned to the Number Two Well, and therefore it is requested that it not be mentioned.

We request permission of the Examiner to amend the application in those respects.

MR. STAMETS: I think that will be fine, Mr. Sperling. I am sure that the equipment that will be used will be determined during the course of your testimony.

> Yes, sir. MR. SPERLING:

DIRECT EXAMINATION

BY MR. SPERLING

- Would you state your name, please?
- William J. LeMay.
- Where is your place of residence and what is your 25

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2	Λ	Consulting geologist in Santa Fe, New Mexico.
3	Q	Would you give us a very brief resume of your professional
4		qualifications?
5	A	Yes. These are a matter of public record in the
6		past and my qualifications have been accepted as an
7		expert witness.
8	Q	Before this Commission?
9	A	Yes, sir.
10	Q	Now, are you familiar with the Double-L Queen Pool
11		in Chaves County, New Mexico? And specifically the
12		area in which the two wells which are the subject
13		of this application are located?
14	A	Yes, I have made studies of the Double-L Queen and
15		have been involved over the course of the past two
16		years with various studies and I am sure the
17		Commission is aware of the cases that have come
18		before it involving the Souble-L field and I do have
19		a background in that area.
20	Q	In that connection, would you please refer to what
21		has been marked Exhibit #1 and explain the information
22		which appears there?
23	A	Yes, sir. Exhibit 1 is a structure map and a reservoir
24		map of that portion of the Double-L Queen Pool and in
25	<u>.</u>	general show the dip to the east. This map is in

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close agreement with other maps of the same area and I don't think there is any problem as far as structural configuration is concerned. The map shows the area where the Queen sand is at this time and the reservoirs also where Queen sand has produced gas.

The third area, the green area on the map, is the oil rim down dip from the up dip gas. I think it is important to note that the Double-L field is a straight graphic trap with associated up dip gas and as it was pointed out in Case Number 4352, both the initial and the reviewed cases, that by withdrawing oil from the oil rim, that gas and oil contact have migrated down dip.

This was established in previous testimony in Case 4352.

Order Number R-3981 as an associated pool whereby the withdrawal of the gas or oil is according to Commission formula. The important thing to note on this Exhibit #1 is the fact, and Exhibits #2 and #3, likewise bring this out, the fact that initially the Corinne Grace #1 Well, located in Unit A of Section 1 was established as an allowable well and a good well and it did go to gas.

The other wells along the gas-oil contact are

within the zone and have a similar history. So, I think it can be pointed out with certainty that this gas cap has migrated down dip.

This Queen sand advance, and there are more

This Queen sand advance, and there are more than one even though I only show one, because of its relationship to this area that we are talking about, had effectively separated. The trend runs basically north-south and at this time, the Queen rock that forms an effective barrier to both fluid and gas migration has separated these various Queen trends.

This can be pointed out by the fact that within two miles of the western edge of my map there is water recovery from the Queen formation indicating the separate occurrence of water and oil-gas relationship.

In the same token to the east, approximately within two miles of these Queen gas wells and down dip from this, there is a relationship of oil and gas indicating another trend.

- Now, will you refer to Exhibits #2 and #3 and give us whatever explanation they require?
- Exhibit #2 is a production map of the oil recovery from the area of the Double-L field, it is brought up to date as of 6/1/71. Subsequently, the production there, which is not shown on the Exhibit, but the

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point to be made is the higher recoveries from the wells, namely in Sections 6, 15, 30, 31, 14, and 30.

The quality relationship is shown on Exhibit #2 and would not be affected by the additional production that has taken place in the last six months.

Exhibit #3 reinforces my previous statement that the well was a good well when it was initially drilled and completed in December of 1969. December of 1969 production, shown on the bottom of Exhibit #3, and

the 1970 production is shown on the top. From January through, roughly, October, the well produced approximately 12,000 barrels of accumulative production until October when you might say the gas hit and it had a very high ratio, approximately sixty thousand cubic feet of gas per barrel.

The well has not been producing since that point and I think it is important to note the fact that the well was an excellent quality well up to that point. Were changes in the gas-oil ratio with reference to these wells and the other wells similarly located structurally, has there been a change in the chemical composition or quality of the gas produced? In general, as was shown in the previous case, 4352, there is an increase as you approach the oil rim and the casing head gas within the oil rim is of a higher

2	Q Do you have anything further with reference to these
3	Exhibits, or with reference to any other matters
4	relating to your knowledge of the Double-L field?
5	A No, I think that's all I have.
6	MR. SPERLING: That is all I have from this
7	witness.
8	MR. STAMETS: Are there any questions of this
9	witness?
10	CROSS-EXAMINATION
11	BY MR. HINKLE
12	Q Mr. LeMay, referring to Exhibit #3, does that show
13	that your last production was in September of 1970?
14	A Correct.
15	Q And the gas-oil ratio at that time was what?
16	A Actually that's when the gas-oil ratio increased
17	radically. In September, it jumped from approximately
18	4,000 to 38,000 and then in October the GOR test was
19	taken and it was approximately 80,000.
20	Q You are familiar with the present rules governing this
21	pool?
22	A Yes.
23	Q And under the present rules, would this well be
24	classified an oil well or a gas well?
25	A Barring any further tests, from the October date and

volume than the gas further away from the oil rim.

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considering the 60,000 to 1 GOR, that would classify the well as a gas well because of the 30,000 to 1 Commission ruling as to whether it be classified gas or oil.

- That rule provides for 30,000 to 1?
- That is correct.
 - Referring to your Exhibit #1, this shows the Humble Oil and Refining Company's acreage to the east of the Grace acreage; is that right?
- That is correct.
 - And you indicated that the brown area there by the Humble Well is located in the northwest of northwest of Section 8?

Well, I would like to explain that a little. to do with the geology of the Queen reservoir and the Queen sand producing trend. Occasionally you will get a tight spot in the Queen reservoir that is usually quite small and there is no evidence of this particular tight spot there because you did produce a good well.

There is evidence in the brown section of Section 36, so outside of the original pinch-out in both the East and the West, any brown spots just show the reservoir.

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1	does not indicate it is not a good well?
2	A Not at all. The brown spots I could have put anywhere,
3	but it had to do with the fact that the reservoir
4	is not completely porous throughout the trend.
5	Q The Humble Well is a pretty good well?
6	A An excellent well, yes.
7	MR. HINKLE: That's all I have.
8	MR. STAMETS: Are there any other questions?
9	(No response.)
10	CROSS-EXAMINATION
11	BY MR. STAMETS
12	Q Is it your testimony that when the well was initially

Q Is it your testimony that when the well was initially completed, it stood below the gas-oil contact?

A Yes, that's my understanding.

I believe you stated that the reason that the gas
has migrated down dip and this well no longer could
be classified an oil well was because there was no
market for gas, or a limited market for gas or it
had not been determined and therefore the oil was
withdrawing faster than the gas migrated down dip;
is that correct?

The reasons are multiple for the lack of development of gas, I think a combination of factors are involved.

One, of course, was a market was not developed satisfactorily and the price paid in the area was

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quite low. Numerous contacts have been made to develop this gas market when this was classified a seaparate pool.

The only market that I am cognizant of in the field is casings head market which is working close to capacity and is not a good economic market for gas. Whether this particular gas in this rather large area could be developed economically, I think most operators at the present time will agree that it is not economical to develop the gas cap.

Will later witnesses develop some testimony as to the current capacity of the well and the effect what has been proposed will have on the reservoir?

A Yes, sir.

MR. STAMETS: I believe that is all I have. Are there any further questions of this witness?

(No response)

MR. STAMETS: If not, the witness will be excused.

(Witness excused.)

CHARLES E. MILLER,

was called as a witness and having already been duly sworn, testified as follows:

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1	DIRECT EXAMINATION		
2	BY MR. SPERLING		
3	Q Please state your name, residence and profession?		
4	A Charles E. Miller, Hobbs, New Mexico. I am a		
5	professional engineer and a Certified Petroleum		
.\ 6	Geologist.		
7	Q Have you on prior occasions testified before the		
8	Commission so that your qualifications are a matter		
9	of record?		
\$0	A I have testified on several occasions.		
11	MR. SPERLING: Are Mr. Miller's qualifications		
12	accepted?		
13	MR. STAMETS: They are.		
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(By Mr. Sperling) Mr. Miller, would you please refer to what has been marked Exhibit #4 in this matter

and please explain what is portrayed on that Exhibit? Well, it primarily shows the top of the Queen sand

with a contour interval of twenty-five feet.

Was that map prepared by you?

Yes, sir.

Give us a brief statement of your experience and familiarity with the Double-L Queen pool; the work you have done there?

I was called in by Mr. and Mrs. Grace to supervise the drilling of the well and I saw it from beginning

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2	Q	Which well?			
3	Α	State Number 1.			
4	Q	And its location?			
5	A	The northeast corner of Section 1, Township 15 South,			
6		Range 29 East.			
7	Q	And you were consulted in connection with the initial			
8	that walls				
9	A,	Yes, sir.			
16	Q	Have you done work in connection with the reservoir			
11	1	of the Double-L Queen so that you have some professional			
12		familiarity with the nature of the Queen sand and			
13		other pertinent geological information?			
14	A	I have.			
15	Q,	Would you give us a general history of Well Number 1,			
16		State Well Number 1?			
17		This well was started in the latter part of 1969 and			
18		drilled to I thought I had the total up here, but			
19	4	I don't have it. We drilled			
20		This well was drilled when?			
21		In the very latter part of 1969, December.			
-		Was the well cored?			
22		Yes, it was cored.			
22 23 24 25 25 25 25 25 25 25 25 25 25 25 25 25		Tell us about the result of the drilling of the well.			
_	•	Was substantial production encountered?			
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At what intervals was it cored? I have it here. The beginning coring was at 1,926 feet and it was cored to a depth of 1,956 feet.

And give us the result of that core analysis?

Well, I can read the entire thing.

Yes, it was.

I don't think that is necessary, give us the pertinent material.

The best part of the pay section according to the core is from 1,930 feet to 1,931 feet. There was a permeability of 1,400 milidarcie and a porosity of 40.6 percent.

From 1,931 to 1,932, there was a permeability of 124 milidarcie and a porosity of 26.4 percent.

From 1,932 to 1,933, it was 150 milidarcie with a porosity of 27 percent.

From 1,933 to 1,934, a permeability of 34 milidarcie and a porosity of 29 percent.

From 1,934 to 1,935, which would be the break in the section, it was less than one-tenth of one percent milidarcie and 7.7 percent porosity.

From 1,935 to 1,936, there was fifteen percent permeability and 9.2 percent porosity.

From 1,936 to 1,938, there was six-tenths of one percent permeability and 9.9 percent porosity.

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quite satisfactory? 8 Λ 9 10 fall apart in your hands. 11 12 NEW MEXICO 87103 87108 We11? 13 I can give it to you from memory, it was in the 14 15 we were getting back frack oil. 16 What was the gas-oil ratio at that time? 17 18 Q Now, would you continue with the production history 19 20 21 22 23 the history of the well. 24 Now, I can give you the ratio as of August 1970 25

was From 1,939 to 1,940, there/28 milidarcie and the percentage of porosity was 24.5. Would you classify the permeability and porosity as

From 1,937 to 1,938, there was 57 percent milidarcie

From 1,938 to 1,939, there was 17 milidarcie

permeability and 20.6 percent porosity.

and 25.3 percent permeability.

Very much so. In the upper part where we had high porosity when you picked up the core, it would almost

What was the first potential of the Number 1 State

neighborhood of 160 barrels a day, but part of it was

The gas-oil ratio at that time was 4,454 to 1.

and give us the well's course in chronological order?

Well, I would need to refer to the curve. Here is the curve, I think. I will say there was a gradual decline with a comparative increase in gas throughout

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that time. All right. 3 The test was made at 4,864 and the pressure showed 178 pounds. The gas-oil ratio was 88,107 and the 5 well made 10.43 barrels of oil in twenty-four hours. б What date was that? 7 September 3rd, 1971. 8 MR. STAMETS: Could I have that date one more 9 time? 10 THE WITNESS: September 3rd, 1971. 11 (By Mr. Sperling) Now, on Exhibit #4 which you have 12 previously identified, there is shown a green line 13 and a red line which I take it to be lines illustrating 14 the cross sections? 15 That's right. The green line is drawn primarily in 16 an east-west direction to just support testimony 17 given previously of this whole area having an east dip 18 with minor modulation due to slight fluctuation in 19 contact. 20 Have you prepared an exhibit which will illustrate 21 the cross section by reference to dates? 22 Exhibit #5 is an east-west cross section also. 23 purpose of this cross section was primarily just 24 another way of showing the general east dip. 25

which will give you some idea of the production at

If you will notice the top of the Queen sand

shows almost a constant east dip without any

And your reference point for the purpose of this

interruption -- that is an east-west dip.

illustration is what?

The top of the Queen sand.

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Referring you to Exhibit #6 now? 7 This cross section runs in a north-northeasterly, east 8 southwesterly direction and you will see by looking at the point I have chosen, 2,000 feet above sea 10 level, the top of the Queen sand at this interval 11 varies very little from northwest to southeast. 12 Does that verify or confirm the conclusions you have 13 drawn and which are indicated by the contour lines 14 on both Exhibit #1, which was testified to by Mr. 15 LeMay, and your Exhibit #4? Yes. The dip is primarily to the east with a few 17 irregularities on the top of the Queen sand, but that 18 is normal. It does bear out the east-west dip 19 dipping from west to the east. 20 And you have prepared Exhibit #7, would you please 21 refer to that and give us your explanation of what 22 it shows? 23 Well, it was drawn primarily to show the decline of 24 the Corinne Grace Number 1, and the adjacent Humble 25

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Well and also their Number 2 which is southeast diagonally.

- Just for the record, would you please identify the location of the two Humble Wells to which you have referred?
- The Humble Number 1 is in the northwest corner of the northwest corner of Section 6; Humble Number 2 is in the southwest corner of the northwest corner of Section 6. Both are 15 south, Range 30 East.

One thing I would like to point out on this is the decline of Corinne Grace State Number 1 in October in terms of production --

- October of what year?
- 1970. The Humble Wells, Number 1 and Number 2, each rose and they did not decline in proportion to State Number 1.
- So what you have done is prepare a graph to simply project the decline, or the theoretical decline for even though there was no production for State Number 1 Well from the shut in time in October of 1970, so you could measure production in September of 1971; is that correct?
- That is correct.
- Whereas the production line as indicated for the two Humble Wells represent actual production; is

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that correct?

Yes, and that information was taken from Commission records.

What does that indicate to you, Mr. Miller, what professional conclusion do you draw from the information that you have collected there, keeping in mind, of course, what you have already explained concerning the dip, the down dip to the east?

What are your conclusions as an engineer as to

the production that might have been obtained from the

Grace Well if it had continued production as distinguished from the production that might have been anticipated from the two Humble Wells?

If we can assume that the State Number 1 should have been allowed to produce all the time from October to the time it was shut in, I would say that the additional oil would have been possibly half of this figure in September of 1971 and the figure in October which would be a difference of about between 28 barrels a day and 10.4 barrels a day.

- Q So striking an average of that --
- A We have lost some production there somewhere.
- Now, in your opinion, has the gas cap which is illustrated on a previous exhibit actually migrated to the east?

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1	A.	Yes, that is the natural direction for the expansion
- 2		of the gas. It would not move to the west because
3		it would be closed off by the stratographic pinch
4		and the only direction it could move in would be to
5		the east.
6	Q	And in your opinion, that has occurred?
7	Α	I believe it has.
8	Q	Now, would you refer to what has been marked Exhibit
9		#8, Mr. Miller, and tell us what that is?
10	λ	These are production figures from the Humble Oil and
11		Refining Company Wells 1, 2, 3, and 4, and from the
12		Delport-Robb wells 3, 5, and 8; do you wish me to read
13		them?
14	Q	I don't think it is necessary, but do they show,
15		insofar as the two wells which are illustrated on
16		Exhibit #7
17	e.	MR. HINKLE: Are you referring to Exhibit #3?
18		MR. SPERLING: Yes.
19		MR. HINKLE: I don't think we have a copy of
20	that.	
21		MR. SPERLING: I'm sorry.

If I may take a few minutes, there are several things I would like to point out?

Go ahead.

If you will follow me, you will note that on the 25

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Humble Well Number 1 production held up relatively well from January of 1971 through August of 1971.

Likewise, Well Number 2 didn't show any apprecable drop during that same period. This was also true of Number 3 and Well Number 4.

In January of 1971, there was a production of 825 barrels and at the end of August, 1971, there was a production of 481 barrels.

The Delport-Robb in January of 1971 showed a production of 797 barrels and in August, 1971, 531 The Number 2 in January showed 266 barrels and then in August 177 barrels.

Now, the Delport-Robb Number 3, which is down in the southeast corner of Section 1, showed a production of 1,889 barrels in January and a production of 2,170 barrels in August, but that is not an exactly true figure because in July it showed only 1,484 barrels, so I am assuming part of August's figure was leftover from the previous month.

In other words, I think it is safe to say that the Delport-Robb Number 3 showed a decline of 1,809 barrels to approximately a little less than 1,500 barrels during that time.

Are all the wells identified on Exhibit #8 shown on Exhibit #4, your Exhibit #4?

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Yes, they are.

Mr. Miller, have you concluded there has been drainage from the land upon which the Grace Wells Number 1 and 2 are located? After October of 1970, the Grace Well was not in position to protect itself and the oil went where the point of least resistence was to a point where it was being withdrawn and that was down structure. Now, you have been employed by Mrs. Grace in connection with the proposed installation that is really the subject matter of this application; have you not? We have discussed it, it has to be a contract job. Will you explain to us what is proposed? The proposal there is to produce the Number 1 well, take the gas production through a compressor and put that gas back into the Number 2 with none of the gas being exposed. In other words, we are not dissipating any gas, just simply putting back all the gas we take into the formation. In the course of doing that, what type of separation is proposed?

What is proposed is to simply take such oil that may

come with the gas out of Number 2, run it through a

separator, the oil will go into a tank and the gas

will be

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. 2	Ω	In your opinion, will that result in any damage to
3		the reservoir?
4	Λ	I have given a great deal of thought to that, and I
5		can't see, if you put back the same amount of gas you
6		take out, I don't see from where you are going to
7		damage the reservoir.
· 8	Q .	Would it also allow Mrs. Grace to cover at least a
9		portion of her fair share of the common source of
10		supply?
11	A	It should.
12	Q	Would it result in any damage to the correlative
13		rights of the offset operators?
14	Α	I can't see why it should. My answer would be no.
15	Q	Do you have any information, any current information,
16		Mr. Miller, on the gas market situation in the area?
17	Α	No, to be real honest, I don't have any recent
18		information. We have gone through several phases in
19		trying to get a market for gas and we usually wind up
20		at the same place we started.
21	Q	Do you mean you simply have not found a market?
22	Λ	There is some gas being taken out, but that is
23) 	primarily to extract nitrogen.
24	Q	Does the nitrogen content increase with increased
25		gas-oil ratio?

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because I haven't had an analysis of the gas recently. 2 I have an analysis taken some time ago, but I 3 haven't had a recent analysis, I have no statistical basis on which I can answer that question. 5 At that time, what was the nitrogen content? Q 6 you might give us the date? 7 March 2nd, 1970, and it was run by Conoco Oil Company Α 8 and the nitrogen content was 48.28; methane was 35.08; 9 ethane was 8.53; propane was 4.40; iso-butane was .70; 10 normal butane was 1.55; iso-pentane was .52; normal 11 pentane was .57; hexane was .37; making a total of 12 100 percent. 13 At the time of the initial production of gas in State 14 Number 1 Well, what was the gravity of oil? 15 I took that myself and I believe I remember it to be 16 36.8. 17 MR. PORTER: Would you repeat the ethane content? 18 THE WITNESS: 8.53. If you wish, I will give you 19 a gas per thousand content. 20 MR. PORTER: No, that's fine. 21 MR. SPERLING: I believe that is all I have. 22 MR. STAMETS: Mr. Hinkle, do you anticipate

some rather lengthy cross-examination?

MR. HINKLE: No, I don't think I have too many

Well, I assume that it might, but that I can't answer

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questions. (Wheroupon a recess was taken.) (Case Number 4563 continues.) MR. STAMETS: The hearing will come to order, please. MR. SPERLING: Mr. Examiner, before we proceed with cross-examination, as is usually the case when there is a recess, a lawyer thinks of something, so I would like to ask a few further questions. 9 MR. STAMETS: You may proceed. 10 (By Mr. Sperling) I believe we neglected to put the 11 core analysis of the Number 2 Well, which might be 12 of value on the record. 13 You gave us the core analysis for the State 14 Number 1 Well, and I do not believe we covered the 15 Number 2 Well. I understand you do have core information concerning the Number 2 Well. 17 I have. 18 Would you please review that information for us now, 19 much in the same manner you did with the Number 1 20 Wel1? 21 The report shows the core was started from 21 to 22 22 and the permeability was 76 milidarcie with a porosity 23

of 26.6 percent.

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From 22 to 23, 48 milidarcie with a porosity of 24.8 percent. From 23 to 24, 196 milidarcie with a porosity of 26.4 percent. From 24 to 25, a milidarcie of 1.3 and a porosity 5 of 13.4 percent. б From 25 to 26, a permeability of 40 milidarcie 7 and a porosity of 10.7 percent. 8 From 26 to 27, a permeability of 4 and a porosity of 10.4. 10 From 27 to 28, a permeability of 202 milidarcie 11 and a porosity of 23.2 percent. 12 From 28 to 29, a permeability of 29 milidarcie 13 and a porosity of 24.5 percent. 14 From 1,929 to 1,930, a milidarcie of 17 and a 15 porosity of 23.1. 16 From 30 to 31, a permeability of 264 milidarcie 17 and a porosity of 21.6. The core was lost from 31 to 32 and from that 19 point on, the permeability and porosity was quite 20 low. 21 What is the current status of the Number 2 Well? 22 It is standing shut-in. 23

And I believe you explained before the proposal

with reference to the injection of gas from the Number

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28 1 into the Number 2; is that what you meant? That is what I meant. I have been told, I wasn't aware of the fact, but I was told I had these reversed. 3 It is the Number 2 Well that we propose to put the gas in, take it from the Number 1 Well and put it into the Number 2 Well. But, let us not forget the old saying: "To err is human, to forgive is divine." MR. SPERUING: I would like to offer Exhibits #1 through #8 at this time. 10 MR. STAMETS: Without objection, Applicant 11 Exhibits #1 through #8 will be admitted into evidence. 12 Are there any questions for this witness? 13 MR. HINKLE: Yes. 14 CROSS-EXAMINATION 15 BY MR. HINKLE 16 You just testified as to the status of the Number 2 17 Well; has it been treated? 18 Yes, it was treated. 19 Was there a potential test made of the Well? 20 No, sir. 21

So, you don't know whether it is classified an oil well or a gas well?

No, it just stands shut in.

Was there gas when it was drilled in? 25

Yes, sir. Now, I was not on that well, I was on a

job over in Carlsbad at the time, so I cannot tell

and from what I have been told by the driller, they

Did you make any oil when they were drilling it; was

did core a small amount of oil sand.

you from personal knowledge, but just from the reports

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7	·	there any indication of oil?
8	V	From the report I got from the driller, they cut so
9		much sand and it looked like gas, and then they cut
10		a couple of more feet and it looked like oil sand,
11		but that's just the driller's statement.
12	Q	It is my understanding that the applicant has amended
13		the application to delete the transfer of allowables
g 14		from the Number 2 Well to the Number 1 Well; that is
		the oil allowable if it is capable of making oil?
ຸຣ 16	A	Well, we have no capability.
ช ี 17	Q	So that is not involved?
18 2	A	No.
	Q	The present oil allowable is 160 barrels; isn't it?
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z 21,	Ď.	This means that you would attempt to produce the
ΩΩ		Number 1 Well to 80 barrels or unlimited; what is
23		the unlimited allowable for oil as far as the Number
24		1 Well is concerned?
25	A	Well, my reaction to your question is we should produce
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enough gas to at least produce oil at 10.43 barrels in twenty-four hours. Well, are you going to keep it to the allowable, the produced allowable, regardless of the amount of gas that would be produced? Well, I think it would be reasonable because there б would be no waste of gas, so the amount of gas we make is immaterial. 8 The point I am trying to make is what you are proposing 9 to do as far as the oil allowable is concerned on 10 the Number 1 Well. In other words, if it is capable 11 of making 160 barrels, do you want to produce 160 12 barrels, or are you going to reduce it to 80 barrels? 13 That's really a hypothetical question because we are 14 not capable of producing 160 barrels. 15 Do you think it is capable of producing 80 barrels? 16 No, I do not because tests taken prior to the last one 17 showed 28 barrels and the last one showed 10. So we 18 were satisfied that we lost quite a bit of oil from 19 drainage and we wouldn't get it back, but we would 20 like to get back what we have left. 21 In other words, if you produced all the oil it will 22 make in a day, it is not likely to be much more than 23 28 barrels?

With wishful thinking, it would be 28 barrels.

1	Q	Whatever the gas-oil ratio is you will inject gas
2		back into Number 27
3	λ	Yes, sir.
4	ò	And have you made a study to determine how much power
5		capacity and so forth would be necessary?
б	A	I made a preliminary study, Mr. Hinkle, but it is my
7		understanding that Mr. and Mrs. Grace want to lease
8		a compressor.
9	Q	Do you think it is practical to do what you are
10		requesting?
11	A	Well, that is really beside the point as far as my
12		testimony is concerned, I think.
13	Q	In your opinion, will the injection of gas into the
14		Number 2 Well be an effective pressure maintenance
15		project?
16	A	It might be, but that's not its intended purpose. I
17		can't see really why it would if we don't put any
18	· · ·	more gas in than we take out.
19	Q	Do you have any idea or an informed opinion as to the
20		pressure required to inject gas into the Number 2
21		Well?
22	λ	I have some bottom hole pressure we took just a week
23		ago. The bottom hole pressures were taken on February
24		22nd, 1972, and the pressure on the Number 1 Well,
25		taken at a depth of 1,925 feet, we believe was plus

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MR. PORTER:

1,936 and the bottom hole pressure was 273 pounds. 2 We took a test on the Number 2 Well at a depth 3 of 1,925 feet and we believe it was plus 1,938 and the bottom hole pressure was 321 pounds. That it would take? 5 It might exceed that, but not by too much. MR. HINKLE: That's all I have. 7 CROSS-EXAMINATION BY MR. STAMETS Q Mr. Miller, based on the Commission's last order on 10 this pool, to your knowledge were some of the wells 11 in there reclassified from oil to gas? 12 I'm sorry, but I missed the last hearing and I am not 13 familiar with it. 14 In other words, if any wells were classified as gas 15 wells, you would have no knowledge of what is being 16 done with the gas? 17 Well, the last time I made a trip to the field, there 18 wasn't very much being done with it. There was one 19 line in there, but we are tied in. 20 Could you tell me what attempts have been made to get 21 gas connections for the Number 1 Well? 22 No, I don't believe I can. I know there have been 23 several attempts to get a line, one line in --

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been concerted efforts by the various producers, if a pool was dry to get purchasers in there in a cooperative effort? THE WITNESS: Not to my knowledge. McCellan has made considerable effort, concerted efforts, but as far as all of them are concerned, I don't have any

(By Mr. Stamets) Mr. Miller, if your records reflected that gas from the offset well was being sold to a purchaser, would that indicate that the market was available in the area?

I think perhaps a very limited market. I don't know

whether they have room for any additional gas to go

- out of there or not, I know a line does go up north. Assuming that for the time being there was a market for this gas and under the pool rules, 160 acres may be assigned to gas wells in this pool, and assuming here again that 160 acres could be assigned to this well, would the gas allowable that would be assigned in that case and if that allowable was 640 MCF per day, would that be a sufficient amount of gas to allow you to produce all the oil this well would
- I believe that's right -- no, no, it wouldn't take care of it all.

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. 1	Q	How much would it take care of approximately?
2	Α	Well, I showed a little over 900,000 cubic feet
3		on the last test and with 600,000, that would take
4		about two-thirds of it; wouldn't it?
5	Q	Does Mrs. Grace have enough acreage in the area to
6		assign 160 acres units?
7	A	Altogether, there are 640 acres. Let's see, in the
8		east half of the southeast and the southeast of the
9		northeast is Delport and figuring real quickly, there
10		are 40 acres in the southeast of the southwest, so
11		that leaves 160 acres.
12	Ω	It would require nonstandard use?
13	A	Yes, it would leave 460 acres in the unit.
14	Q	I believe it has been testified to by yourself and
15		the previous witness that the gas has migrated from
16		west to east in this field; isn't that the normal
17		process in an expanding gas type reservoir?
18	А	Yes, we didn't say it wasn't; we think it is.
19	Q	If this installation was put into effect, would you
20		anticipate there would be any oil migrating up dip
21		toward the Number 1 Well?
22	A	That would depend quite a bit upon the differential
23		of your pressures. If we have enough injection in
24		there, and the pressure holds the oil from migrating
25		back by gravity, it would seek its natural level.

I think the bottom hole pressures of some of the

set wells are not much higher right now than ours.

10 going to move in. 11 CONVENTION 12 13 EXPERT TESTIMONY, DAILY COPY, 14 MMS BLOG. P.O. BOX 1002.PHONE 245.6091.ALBUQUERQUE. National Bank Blog. East.albuquerque, new mexico 15 16 17 DEPOSITIONS, HEARINGS, STATEMENTS, 18 rightfully ours. 19 20 of this witness? 21 (No response.) 22 23 (Witness excused.) 24 MR. SPERLING: Mr. Commissioner, Mr. Miller has

3 You don't feel there would be any significant migration of oil up dip? 5 Not with pressure. When it is injected, it would б seem logical that it would hold the oil down in place. 7 What volume of gas do you anticipate on a daily basis? 8 I can't answer that because I haven't talked to the 9 contractor. I don't know what size compressor he is Do you anticipate measuring gas at all? Well, we can if you want us to, but I didn't see any reason to as long as we were just circulating it. Do you anticipate any effect whatsoever on the offset wells as a result of this operation? No. Frankly, that is not the purpose of circulating the gas, what we are trying to do is reclaim what oil there is left under our lease which we think is MR. STAMETS: Are there any additional questions MR. STAMETS: If not, he will be excused.

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testified concerning recent bottom hole pressure tests,
   these have been marked and the graphs have been marked,
   and they might be helpful if we put them in as an exhibit.
                   They have been marked as Exhibits #9 and 9a.
             MR. STAMETS: Are there any objections to
   Applicant's Exhibits #9 and #9a?
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             (No response.)
             MR. STAMETS: If not, they will be made part of
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   the record. Mr. Sperling, do you have any additional
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                             JOHN C. BYERS,
   was called as a witness and having already been duly sworn,
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   testified as follows:
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        Will you please state your name, your place of
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        residence, and your profession?
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        John C. Byers, I am a resident of Lubbock, Texas,
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        and a professional engineer.
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        Have you on previous occasions testified before the
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        New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission?
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        Yes, sir, we have.
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        And are your professional qualifications a matter of
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MR. SPERLING: Are Mr. Byers qualifications
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            MR. STAMETS: Are you a petroleum engineer?
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            THE WITNESS: Yes.
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            MR. STAMETS: They are acceptable, thank you.
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        (By Mr. Sperling) Mr. Byers, have you had an
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       on behalf of the applicant in this matter?
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        Have you reviewed the exhibits which have been
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        presented in support of this application?
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        upon -- let me strike that and let me ask you this:
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        Have you made any studies other than the information
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        which is contained in the exhibits and the testimony
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         presented to the Commission on the Double-L Queen
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         Pool in Chaves County?
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         In your opinion, has that information been sufficient
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         for you to form an expert opinion as to the matters
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And you are familiar with the location of the wells with regard to one to the other as shown in Exhibit 5 #4 for the Applicant? 6 yes, sir. A Now, based upon the information and testimony that 8 O you have heard, and the information as shown in these 9 exhibits which you have reviewed, what conclusions 10 have you drawn with reference to this pool and 11 particularly with reference to what has occurred 12 insofar as the Corinne Grace State Well Number 1 is 13 concerned? 14 The gas-oil contact as shown in the structural map 15 is certainly based on top of the sand. I think you 16 can also notice from the core analysis that mobility 17 of fluid in the uppermost of these two sections is 18 substantially greater than those in the lower section. 19 I think what we have experienced in this is a 20 substantial expansion of the gas cap particularly along the upper member resulting in a progressively 21 22 higher gas-oil ratio. In the Number 1 Well, there is diminished pressure 23 evident from the bottom hole pressure and the Number 2 24

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Well has certainly evidenced that also. in communication within the reservoir by some mechanism.

If the mobility is that high in the upper zone, then there is in all likelihood an oil column. Therefore, if we inject gas into the Number 2 Well, I think we can develop mobility of this gas through both the upper and the lower members.

Certainly we should have some substantial recovery

from the Number 1 Well area. Now, have you reached any conclusion based upon the information made available to you as to what the effect, the adverse effect, if any, would be upon the reservoir by following the procedures which have been outlined?

I think the effects will be strictly local and I think we may well introduce ourselves to the process of cycling gas along the up dip edge of the reservoir which may eventually serve to improve recovery from the total reservoir.

I think what we are doing here is introducing a really important project into the reservoir for the recovery of oil. If it is successful here, the same process would be applicable to the remaining reservoir. Do you anticipate any adverse effects by the procedure

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we do not anticipate this likelihood because we are dealing with a uniform withdrawal from the two wells.

You understand this proposed system to be a closed system; do you not, utilizing all the gas?

Yes. And I would like to interject my own opinion here, I strongly feel that if we are to know what we are doing, all the gas cycled must be metered.

Q Do you have any further observations on this problem?

A Probably a lot, but they might be lengthy and irrelevant.

MR. SPERLING: That is all I have of this witness.

MR. HINKLE: I have no questions.

MR. STAMETS: Are there any questions?

(No response.)

CROSS-EXAMINATION

BY MR. STAMETS

Mr. Byers, in your opinion, should any precaution be taken on the Number 2 Well to insure that the gas will not excape to any other zone?

25 A I think certainly normal completion requirement

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we did have a good cement job. 6 Do you feel that a gauge or a casing tuck would be 7 in order in this case? 8 I think a gauge certainly, and I assume we are going 9 to inject through a tuck and under a packer. 10 I don't believe that has been testified to. 11 I mean those are our thoughts, what we are thinking 12 in terms of. 13 MR. STAMETS: Are there any other questions of 14 this witness? 15 (No response.) 16 MR. STAMETS: If not, he can be excused. (Witness excused.) MR. STAMETS: Mr. Sperling, I would like to direct a question to someone, I'm not sure who you can call back on it. It is concerning injection under a packer and

practices have got to be taken.

these should be verified.

assume we have a good cement job, properly tested

prior to the completion of the well and certainly

I think the Commission records will indicate that

MR. SPERLING: Mr. Miller, I would assume, would

be best qualified at this point to answer that question.

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Commission?

was recalled as a witness and having already been duly sworn, 2 testified as follows: 3 I can't see why it is necessary THE WITNESS: unless we prove we have a leaking casing job or something like that. 6 MR. STAMETS: Does anyone else have any questions 7 at this point? 8 (No response.) 9 (Witness excused.) 10 MR. STAMETS: Do you have any further witnesses, 11 Mr. Sperling? 12 MR. SPERLING: Yes, sir. 13 RICHARD STEINHORST, 14 was called as a witness and having already been duly sworn, 15 testified as follows: 16 DIRECT EXAMINATION 17 BY MR. SPERLING 18 Would you state your name, please? 19 Richard Steinhorst. 20 What is your profession? 21 I am a graduate petroleum engineer and a practicing 22 consultant out of Lafayette, Louisiana. 23 Have you on prior occasions testified before this 24

CHARLES MILLER,

8 9 10 area. 11 12 BOX 1092. PHONE 243-6691. ALBUQJERQUE. NEW MEXICO 87103 (BLDG. EAST . ALBUQUERQUE. NEW MEXICO 87108 13 14 Louisiana in offshore operations. 15 16 consultant in the Gulf Coast and throughout the Texas 17 and mid-continent and eastern areas. 18 Thank you. 19 MR. SPERLING: Are Mr. Steinhorst's qualifications 20 accepted? 21 MR. STAMETS: He is qualified, yes. 22 (By Mr. Sperling) Have you had an opportunity to 23 review the exhibits that have been presented in support of the application here today as well as to 24 25

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> profession? I was graduated from Oklahoma University with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Petroleum Engineering. I subsequently worked with a Texas company as a field engineer, a district engineer and a senior division petroleum engineer; and as an assistant drilling production superintendent throughout the mid-continent I went to work for a British-American oil producing company as an assistant general superintendent; subsequently, a drilling superintendent in southern For the past thirteen years, I have been an active

Would you give us a brief resume of your educational

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is located? Q I believe evidence is already in the record indicating 10 that the well originally was either a gas-oil contact 11 or below the gas-oil contact at the top of the sand. 12 ◆ALBUQUERQUE, NEW MEXICO 87103 QUE, NEW MEXICO 87108 There has been a definite migration or expansion of 13 the gas cap across the well and down dip and, 14 subsequently, oil has migrated down dip and this well 15 has not produced the amount of oil that was in place 16 at the location at the time it was drilled. 17 You have heard outlined the procedure proposed consisting 18 of producing gas from the Number 1 Well and injecting 19 that same gas, the same quantity, into the Number 2 20 We11? 21 I have. 22 Is it your opinion that such a procedure will be in 23 the interest of the recovery of oil from the location 24 in question? 25

be present while testimony was presented?

Now, without going through each one of these, Mr.

Steinhorst, would you please advise us as to whether

the past history has been insofar as what has occurred

or not you have reached any conclusions as to what

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Lease, and specifically Corinne Grace Well Number 1,

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Would the proposed procedure in your opinion result in any damage to the correlative rights of any offset properties?

I think the only possibility would be if it was excessive and this would be above what the Commission has already determined as having been practical. excessive removal of hydrocarbon from the Number 1 Well possibly could, but this is not too common.

In this particular instance, you are looking at something which is commonly referred to in the profession as attic oil recovery, up dip of oil which cannot be recovered by any other means. So it is your conclusion that it would not adversely affect the correlative rights of the adjoining

It would not.

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MR. STAMETS: Are there any questions of this
    witness?
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                         CROSS-EXAMINATION
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         Could this procedure actually benefit the offset
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         Actually, it could, whether it would is something that
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         would have to be determined. But as long as they are
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         injecting up dip, it is going to pass the point of
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        benefit because any time you are moving something
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             MR. STAMETS: Any other questions?
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             MR. STAMETS: If not, this witness may be excused.
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              (Witness excused.)
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             MR. SPERLING: That is all I have.
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             MR. STAMETS: Are you going to put in any
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   testimony, Mr. Hinkle?
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             MR. HINKLE: No testimony.
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             MR. STAMETS: Are there any other appearances
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MR. SPERLING: I think that is all.

Is there any correspondence, MR. STAMETS:

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MR. HINKLE: I have a brief statement.

MR. STAMETS: Proceed.

Humble does not object to bonafide MR. HINKLE: pressure projection by gas injection provided no undue advantage is given to any operator and providing gas is not injected into a producing formation. Humble is quite doubtful at this stage of depletion that gas injection will enhance recovery in the pool with only two wells being involved.

Humble has no objection to the transfer of oil and gas from one well to another as long as it does not exceed the amount which the well would be allowed to produce under the applicable rules.

Furthermore, Humble has no objection to permitting the operator to exceed the gas-oil ratio limitations so long as it puts the excessive gas produced back into the reservoir.

In this case, if the Commission permits the transfer of the allowable of the Number 2 Well, the Number 2 Well should be tested in the presence of Commission representatives to show its capability of producing both oil and gas, or either of them.

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The Commission should request the operator
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 2 make monthly reports with respect to the measured production
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              MR. STAMETS: Do you have a statement, Mr.
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             MR. SPERLING:
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             MR. STAMETS: Is there anything else in Case
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             MR. STAMETS: If not, Case Number 4563 will be
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BEFORE THE NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION 2 CONFERENCE ROOM, STATE LAND OFFICE BUILDING SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO 3 February 2, 1972 EXAMINER HEARING 5 IN THE MATTER OF: 6 Application of Corrine Grace) for special gas-oil ratio limitation and pressure maintenance project, Chaves County, New Mexico. 10 BEFORE: Elvis A. Utz, 11 Alternate Examiner. 12

Case No. 4563

TRANSCRIPT OF HEARING

Case 4620 and Case 4563.

MR. HATCH: Case 4563: Application of Corinne Grace

MR. UTZ:

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MR. NUTTER: Case 4563.

MR. HATCH: Case 4563, Application of Corinne Grace for special gas-oil ratio limitation and pressure maintenance project, Chaves County, New Mexico.

The applicant has requested the case be continued to February 2nd, 1972.

In Case 4563, the Application of MR. NUTTER: Corinne Grace, and Case 4620, in each of those cases, the Applicant has requested it be continued to February 2nd, and those cases will be continued to the Examined Hearing scheduled for 9 o'clock February 2nd.

The Hearing is adjourned.

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BEFORE THE NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION Santa Fe, New Mexico December 1, 1971

EXAMINER HEARING

IN THE MATTER OF:

Application of Corinne Grace for special gas-oil ratio, Chavez County, New Mexico

Application of Corinne Grace for compulsory pooling, Eddy County, New Mexico

Application of Corinne Grace for compulsory pooling, Eddy County, New Mexico Case No. 4563

Case No. 4619

Case No. 4620

BEFORE: Daniel S. Nutter, Examiner



TRANSCRIPT OF HEARING

MR. NUTTER: We would like to call Case No. 4563 which is the Application of Corinne Grace for special gas-oil ratio, Chavez, County, New Mexico; Case No. 4619, the Application of Corinne Grace for compulsory pooling, Eddy County, New Mexico; and Case No. 4620, Application for Corinne Grace for compulsory pooling, Eddy County, New Mexico.

MR. HATCH: Mr. Commissioner, I have received a request from the Applicant that these three cases be continued to January 5th, 1972.

MR. NUTTER: Cases 4563, 4619 and 4620 will be continued to the Examiner Hearing to be held at this same place at 9:00 o'clock A.M., January 5th, 1972.

The Hearing is adjourned.

STATE OF NEW MEXICO) SG.
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RICHARD L. NYE, Court Reporter, do hereby certify that the foregoing and attached Transcript of Hearing before the New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission was reported by me, and 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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BEFORE THE NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION Santa Fe, New Mexico

November 10, 1971 Examiner Hearing

Case No. 4619

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Case No. 4563

IN THE MATTER OF:

Application of Corinne Grace for compulsory pooling, Eddy County, New Mexico.

and

Application of Corinne Grace for compulsory pooling, Eddy County, New Mexico.

and

Application of Corinne Grace for special gas-oil ratio limitation and pressure maintenance project, Chaves County, New Mexico.

BEFORE: DANIEL S. NUTTER, EXAMINER

TRANSCRIPT OF HEARING



MR. NUTTER: Call Case No. 4619.

MR. HATCH: Case 4619. Application of Corinne Grace for compulsory pooling, Eddy County, New Mexico.

It is my understanding that the Applicant would like this case to be continued to December 1, 1971.

MR. NUTTER: Well, we will call also Case No. 46^0.

MR. HATCH: Case 4620. Application of Corinne Grace for compulsory pooling, Eddy County, New Mexico.

MR. NUTTER: And we will call also Case No. 4563.

MR. HATCH: Case 4563. Application of Corinne Grace for special gas-oil ratio limitation and pressure maintenance project, Chaves County, New Mexico.

And the Applicants desire that each of these cases be continued to December 1, 1971.

MR. NUTTER: Cases No. 4619, 4620, and Case No. 4563 will all be continued to the Examiner Hearing scheduled to be held at this same place at 9:00 o'clock A.M., December 1, 1971.

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I, LINDA MALONE, Court Reporter, do hereby certify that the foregoing and attached Transcript of Hearing before the New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission was reported by me; 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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New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission

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BEFORE THE NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION Santa Fe, New Mexico

October 27, 1971 Examiner Hearing

IN THE MATTER OF:

Application of Corinne Grace for) special gas-oil ratio limitation) and pressure maintenance project,) Chaves County, New Mexico.

Case No. 4563

BEFORE: ELVIS A. UTZ, EXAMINER

TRANSCRIPT OF HEARING



MR. UTZ: Case 4563.

MR. HATCH: Case 4563. Application of Corinne Grace for special gas-oil ratio limitation and pressure maintenance project, Chaves County, New Mexico.

The Commission has received a request from the applicant to continue the case to November 10, which is the date the applicant has some other cases set for.

MR. UTZ: Case 4563 will be continued to 11/10.

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IN THE MATTER OF:

Application of Corinne Grace for special gas-oil ratio limitation and pressure maintenance project, Chaves County, New Mexico.

Case No. 4563

BEFORE: ELVIS A. UTZ, EXAMINER

TRANSCRIPT OF HEARING



The hearing will come to order, please.

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We have one continued case. We will call Case 4563 at this
    time.
              MR. HATCH: Case 4563. Application of Corinne Grace
    for special gas-oil ratio limitation and pressure maintenance
   project, Chaves County, New Mexico.
              If the Examiner please, I think Mr. Bateman would
   like to make an appearance in this case.
              MR. BATEMAN: Ken Bateman of White, Gilbert, Koch
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   and Kelly, appearing on behalf of the applicants, request
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   that the case be continued to the hearing set for October 27.
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              MR. UTZ: Case 4563 will be continued till the
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   October 7 hearing. This is an Examiner hearing.
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             MR. BATEMAN: Thank you.
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BEFORE THE NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION Santa Fe, New Mexico August 11, 1971

Examiner Hearing

IN THE MATTER OF:

Application of Corinne Grace for special gas/oil ratio limitation and pressure maintenance project, Chaves County, New Mexico.

Case No. 4563

BEFORE: DANIEL S. NUTTER, EXAMINER

TRANSCRIPT OF HEARING



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MR. NUTTER: Call the next case number 4563.

MR. NATCH: Case 4563. Application of Corinne Grace for special gas/oil ratio limitation and pressure maintenance project, Chaves County, New Mexico.

MR. STEVENS: Mr. Examiner, I am Don Stevens of McDermott, Connelly and Stevens, appearing for the applicant Corinne Grace.

With me is Mr. Harold Roberts appearing for Mr. Blake Grace who has an interest in the well.

He joins me at this time in asking the indulgence of the commission one more time for extension, continuance on this case until September 1.

Reason for the request is that previously it was felt that it was unnecessary to have a new gas/oil ratio run on the well in question, in that they felt that the project was feasible.

However, in view of recent information that the gas cap is advancing in the field from the West to the East beyond this well, it could well be that in the opinion of the applicant, that this well no longer is capable of producing sufficient to make the project feasible.

As a consequence of this, by granting an extension until September 1, it would give the applicant time to run the gas/oil ratio test, make a possible determination of whether the well will produce sufficient oil to be feasible.

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the circumstances, those circumstances, they would normally go in with the rest of the field and hook up with Phillips Petroleum, seal their casing head gas and what little oil the well might make, but at this time, they would like to have it on September 1, which is, I understand, within the time that is within a proper time for notice on the hearing, in order that they would start the project as soon as possible, if it is feasible.

Now, we know we have asked for extensions twice before in this case for various reasons, and time has passed, but if it is not feasible, then some two to three months would necessarily expire before a hook up could be made with Phillips, a beneficial use be made of the well, and the economic gain there from.

The economic factor is the principle reason for our request.

MR. NUTTER: Does anyone have any remarks to make concerning the motion for continuance?

MR. HINKLE: Clarence Hinkle, Hinkle, Bondurant, Cox and Eaton, appearing on behalf of Humble Oil and Refining Company.

As he has indicated, this case has already been extended twice, and Humble's representative and myself have been up here twice on the case, and Humble is interested in opposing the applicants.

Now, in talking with Don Stevens, we offer to agree to extend this case until October 6. 2 Now, the reason that we suggested that date was that I 3 am going to be away from August 20 until September 6, and I have reservations and everything made and other 5 people are involved and I can't very well get out of it. Now, if there is going to be an Examiner hearing the 7 latter part of September, we would not object to being set at that time, but we would prefer that it be set on 9 October 6, and that would suit the representative of 10 Humble better too, at that time. 11 MR. NUTTER: On October 6? 12 MR. HINKLE: October 6. 13 MR. NUTTER: Does the Commission have a tentative 14 hearing set for that date? 15 MR. HINKLE: That is what Don told me. I don't know. 16 MR. STEVENS: It is only a date I checked by, and 17 it is not specifically set for that day, but she thinks 18 it will be that date or within a week thereof. 19 MR. NUTTER: And you will be gone from August 20 until 20 September 6? 21 MR. HINKLE: Yes. Get back September 6. MR. STEVENS: One is set for September 15. 23 24

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MR. NUTTER: Let me check, just a few seconds delay

here while I check some dates.

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1 Well, I have had a couple of firm dates here. There wouldn't be a hearing on October 6, but there will be 3 one on September 29. How is that? MR. HINKLE: That is all right. MR. STEVENS: Of course, we would still like to have it September 1. MR. NUTTER: Well, I think we have to give some 8 consideration to the opposition here, to, and he has got 9 his reservations and everything. 10 Would the 29th be agreeable, then? 11 MR. STEVENS: Yes, sir. MR. HINKLE: 12 Yes. MR. NUTTER: Case 4563, then, will be continued 13 to an Examiner hearing scheduled to be held at this place 14 at this same place, at 9:00 o'clock A. M. on September 29 15 1971, so the case will be continued to that date. 16 17 The hearing is adjourned. 18 19 20 21 22 23 24

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BEFORE THE NEW MEXICO OIL COMBERVATION COMMISSION Santa Fe, New Mexico

July 28, 1971

EXÂMINER HEARING

IN THE MATTER OF:

Application of Corrine Grace for) a special gas oil ratio limitations) and pressure maintenance project,) Chaves County, New Mexico.)

Case No. 4563

BEFORE: ELVIS A. UTZ, EXAMINER

TRANSCRIPT OF HEARING



Case 4563. IN. HATCH: Case 4583. Application of Corinne Grace for special gas-oil ratio limitation and pressure maintenance project, Chaves County, New Your co. and the applicant has requested that this case be continued to August 11. 1971. MR. UTZ: Case 4563 will be continued to 8/11/71. ĺŽ

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BEFORE THE
NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION
Santa Fe, New Mexico
June 30, 1971

EXAMINER HEARING

IN THE MATTER OF:

Application of Corinne Grace for special gas-oil ratio limitation and pressure maintenance project, Chaves County, New Mexico.

Case No. 4563

BEFORE: Elvis A. Utz, Examinar.



TRANSCRIPT OF HEARING

MR. UTZ: Case 4563.

MP. HATCH: Application of Corinne Grace for special gas-oil ratio limitation and pressure maintenance project, Chaves County, New Mexico.

The Applicant has requested that this case be continued to the last Examiner Hearing in July.

MR. UTZ: Case 4563 will be continued to the 7-28 hearing.

MR. HATCH: Excuse me just a moment. May I ask, is there any objection to that one being continued?

MR. CHRISTY: Passed until July 28th.

MR. UTZ: Right.

MR. CHRISTY: Thank you.

STATE OF NEW MEXICO) ss COUNTY OF BERNALILLO)

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Thank you very much for sending me the transcript of hearing in Case No. 4563, Corinne Grace. It has served my purposes and I am returning it to you herewith.

Thanks again.

Best regards,

James E. Sperling

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Enclosure



OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

STATE OF NEW MEXICO P. O. BOX 2088 - SANTA FE 87501

March 21, 1972

GOVERNOR BRUCE KING CHAIRMAN

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	Re:	Case No	4563
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BEFORE THE OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO

CASE No. 4563 Order No. R-4276-A

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF CORINNE GRACE FOR SPECIAL GAS-OIL RATIO LIMITATION AND PRESSURE MAINTE-NANCE PROJECT, CHAVES COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

NUNC PRO TUNC ORDER

BY THE COMMISSION:

It appearing to the Commission that due to clerical error, Order No. R-4276, dated March 15, 1972, does not correctly state the intended order of the Commission,

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

- (1) That Paragraph (c) of Order (1) of Commission Order No. R-4276 is hereby corrected to read in its entirety as follows:
- "(c) That injection of gas into the Grace State Well No. 2 shall be accomplished through 5 1/2-inch casing; that the wellhead shall be equipped with a pressure gauge properly maintained in working order."
- (2) That the correction set forth above shall be effective nunc pro tunc as of March 15, 1972.

DONE at Santa Fe, New Mexico, on this 21st day of March, 1972.

STATE OF NEW MEXICO
OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

BRUCE KING, Chairman

ALEX J, ARMIJO, Member

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OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

STATE OF NEW MEXICO P. O. BOX 2088 - SANTA FE 87501

March 15, 1972

GOVERNOR BRUCE KING CHAIRMAN

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STATE GEOLOGIST A. L. PORTER, JR. SECRETARY - DIRECTOR

	Re:	Case No	4563	
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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. 4553 Order No. R-4276

APPLICATION OF CORINNE GRACE FOR SPECIAL GAS-OIL RATIO LIMITATION AND PRESSURE MAINTENANCE PROJECT, CHAVES COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

BY THE COMMISSION:

This cause came on for hearing at 9 a.m. on March 1, 1972, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner Richard L. Stamets.

NOW, on this 15th day of March, 1972, 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 the applicant, Corinne Grace, is the owner and operator of the Grace State Wells Nos. 1 and 2 located in Units A and B, respectively, of Section 1, Township 15 South, Range 29 Bast, NMPM, Double L-Queen Associated Pool, Chaves County, New Mexico.
- (3) That the Special Rules and Regulations for the Double L-Queen Associated Pool provide that a well shall be classified as a gas well if it has a gas-liquid ratio of 30,000 or more cubic feet of gas per barrel of liquid hydrocarbons and shall be classified as an oil well if it has a gas-liquid ratio of less than 30,000 cubic feet of gas per barrel of liquid hydrocarbons.

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- (4) That said rules provide that the limiting gas-oil ratio for the pool shall be 2000 cubic feet of gas for each barrel of oil produced.
- (5) That said Special Rules and Regulations limit the total amount of gas that can be produced by either an oil well or a gas well.
- (6) That the applicant seeks authority, as an exception to the Special Rules and Regulations for the Double L-Queen Associated Pool, to produce the Grace State Well No. 1 as an oil well with no limitation upon gas production from said well, separate the gas from the liquids by ordinary separation methods, and institute a pressure maintenance project by injecting all of said gas back into the producing formation through the Grace State Well No. 2.
- (7) That unlimited gas production from the Grace State Well No. 1 will not cause waste nor violate correlative rights, provided said well produces no more than a 40-acre oil allowable for the pool and provided further that all gas produced by said well is reinjected into the producing formation through the Grace State Well No. 2.
- (8) That the proposed pressure maintenance project is in the interest of conservation and should result in greater ultimate recovery of oil, thereby preventing waste.
- (9) That for the purposes of the proposed pressure maintenance project, the Grace State Well No. I should be classified as a producing oil well with a 40-acre oil allowable and that the Grace State Well No. 2 should be classified as a gas injection well with no allowable.
- (10) That all gas produced by said Well No. 1 should be measured and all gas injected through said Well No. 2 should be measured.
- (11) That the subject application should be approved and the pressure maintenance project should be governed by the provisions of Rules 701, 702, 703, and 704 of the Commission Rules and Regulations insofar as said rules are not inconsistent with this order.

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IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

- (1) That the applicant, Corinne Grace, is hereby authorized to institute a pressure maintenance project in the Double L-Queen Associated Pool, Chaves County, New Mexico, designated as the Grace Double L-Pressure Maintenance Project, by the injection of gas into the Queen formation in accordance with the following terms and conditions:
- (a) The producing oil well for the project, the Grace State Well No. 1 located in Unit A of Section 1, Township 15 South, Range 29 East, NMPM, may produce up to a 40-acre top unit oil allowable with no limitation upon the amount of gas produced.
- (b) That all gas produced by said Grace State Well No. 1 shall be injected into the producing formation of the Double L-Queen Associated Pool through the Grace State Well No. 2 located in Unit B of Section 1, Township 15 South, Range 29 East, NMPM.
- (c) That injection of gas into the Grace State Well No. 2 shall be accomplished through 8 5/8-inch casing; that the wellhead shall be equipped with a pressure gauge properly maintained in working order.
- (d) That all gas produced by the Grace State Well No. 1 and all gas injected through the Grace State Well No. 2 shall be measured by use of meters.
- (e) That the applicant shall notify the Artesia District Office of the Commission of the commencement of injection within seven days of the date of first injection.
- (f) That the project shall be governed by the provisions of Rules 701, 702, 703, and 704 of the Commission Rules and Regulations insofar as said rules are not inconsistent with this order.
- (g) That monthly progress reports of the pressure maintenance project shall be submitted to the Commission in accordance with Rules 704 and 1120 of the Commission Rules and Regulations.

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(2) 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.

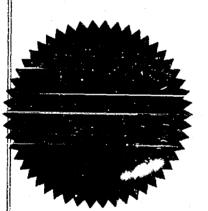
STATE OF NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

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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. 4588 Order No. R-4197

APPLICATION OF V. H. WESTBROOK FOR A PRESS RE MAINTENANCE PROJECT, EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

BY THE COMMISSION:

This cause came on for hearing at 9 a.m. on September 15, 1971, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner Daniel S. Nutter.

NOW, on this 5th day of October, 1971, 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 the applicant, V. H. Westbrook, is the owner and operator of the Guy A. Reed Well No. 2, located in Unit L of Section 24, Township 24 South, Range 28 East, NMPM, Malaga-Delaware Pool, Eddy County, New Mexico.
- (3) That the applicant proposes to utilize said well to inject produced salt water into the Delaware formation, with injection into the perforated interval from approximately 2681 feet to 2683 feet.
- (4) That the subject well should be classified as a pressure maintenance project injection well.

- (5) That the subject pressure maintenance project is in the interest of conservation and should result in greater ultimate recovery of oil, thereby preventing waste.
- (6) That the injection should be accomplished through 2-inch tubing installed in a packer set at approximately 2669 feet; that the casing-tubing annulus should be filled with an inert fluid; and that a pressure gauge should be attached to the annulus at the surface in order to determine leakage in the casing, tubing, or packer; and that the produced salt water shall be continuously treated to inhibit corrosion prior to injection and coupon corrosion tests shall be conducted continuously on said well and the results thereof filed semi-annually with the Commission until further notice from the Secretary-Director of the Commission.
- (7) That the subject application should be approved and the project should be governed by the provisions of Rules 701, 702, and 703 of the Commission Rules and Regulations.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

- (1) That the applicant, V. H. Westbrook, is hereby authorized to institute a pressure maintenance project in the Malaga-Delaware Pool, Eddy County, New Mexico, by the injection of water into the Delaware formation through his Guy A. Reed Well No. 2, located in Unit L of Section 24, Township 24 South, Range 28 East, NMPM, Eddy County, New Mexico.
- (2) That said injection should be accomplished through 2-inch tubing installed in a packer set at approximately 2669 feet, and into the perforated interval from 2681 feet to 2683 feet.

PROVIDED HOWEVER, that the casing-tubing annulus shall be filled with an inert fluid and that a pressure gauge shall be attached to the annulus in order to determine leakage in the tubing, casing, or packer.

PROVIDED FURTHER, that the produced salt water shall be continuously treated prior to injection and coupon corrosion tests shall be conducted continuously on said well and the results thereof filed semi-annually with the Commission until further notice from the Secretary-Director of the Commission.

- (3) That the subject pressure maintenance project is hereby designated the Westbrook Malaga Pressure Maintenance Project and shall be governed by the provisions of Rules 701, 702, and 703 of the Commission Rules and Regulations.
- (4) That monthly progress reports of the pressure maintenance project herein authorized shall be submitted to the Commission in accordance with Rules 704 and 1120 of the Commission Rules and Regulations.
- (5) 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

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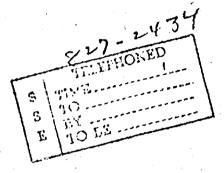
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The following cases will be heard before Richard L. Stamets, Examiner, or Daniel S. Nutter, Alternate Examiner:

- CASE 4668: In the matter of the hearing called by the Oil Conservation Commission on its own motion to consider instituting gas prorationing in the South Carlsbad-Morrow and South Carlsbad-Strawn Gas Pools, Eddy County, New Mexico. The Commission will consider limiting gas production from the South Carlsbad-Morrow and South Carlsbad-Strawn Gas Pools in Eddy County, New Mexico, to reasonable market demand and to the capacity of gas transportation facilities. The Commission will also consider methods for allocating the allowable production among the gas wells in the pools.
- CASE 4563: (Continued from the February 2, 1972 Examiner Hearing)
 Application of Corinne Grace for special gas-oil ratio
 limitation and pressure maintenance project, Chaves County,
 New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause seeks
 authority to produce her State Well No. 1 located in Unit
 A of Section 1, Township 15 South, Range 29 East, Double
 L-Queen Pool, Chaves County, New Mexico, with no gas-oil
 ratio limitation, strip the liquids, and institute a
 pressure maintenance project by the injection of all said
 gas back into the producing formation through her State Well
 No. 2 located in Unit B of said Section 1. Applicant further
 seeks to transfer an oil allowable from said Well No. 2 to
 said Well No. 1.
- (Continued from the February 2, 1972, Examiner Hearing) CASE 4619: Application of Corinne Grace for compulsory pooling, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests from the surface of the ground down to and including the Morrow formation underlying the N/2 of Section 25, Township 22 South, Range 26 East, which acreage is within one mile of the South Carlsbad-Morrow Gas Pool, Eddy County, New Mexico. Said acreage to be dedicated to a well to be drilled to the Morrow formation at a location 1980 feet from the North and East lines of said Section 25. Also to be considered will be the costs of drilling said well, a charge for the risk involved, a provision for the allocation of actual operating costs, and the establishment of charges of supervision of said well.
- CASE 4620: (Continued from the February 2, 1972, Examiner Hearing)
 Application of Corinne Grace for compulsory pooling, Eddy
 County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled
 cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests
 from the surface of the ground down to and including the

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Morrow formation underlying the N/2 of Section 24, Township 22 South, Range 26 East, which acreage is in the vicinity of the South Carlsbad-Morrow Gas Pool, Eddy County, New Mexico. Said acreage to be dedicated to a well to be drilled to the Morrow formation at a location 1980 feet from the North and East lines of said Section 24. Also to be considered will be the costs of drilling said well, a charge for the risk involved, a provision for the allocation of actual operating costs, and the establishment of charges of supervision of said well.

CASE 3709: (Continued from the January 5, 1972, Examiner Hearing) (Reopened)

In the matter of Case 3709 heing reopened pursuant to the provisions of Order No. R-3366-B, which order continued 80-acre spacing for the Akah Nez-Devonian Oil Pool, San Juan County, New Mexico, for an additional one-year period. All interested persons may appear and show cause why said pool should not be developed on 40-acre spacing units.

CASE 4669: In the matter of the hearing called by the Oil Conservation Commission on its own motion to permit El Paso Natural Gas Company to appear and show cause why it should not take immediate action to repair each of the five following dual completions in such a manner as to prevent communication between zones in the well-bores:

San Juan 27-4 Unit #30 N-32-27N-4W, Rio Arriba

San Juan 27-5 Unit #31 A-24-27N-5W, Rio Arriba

Bolack C #14 B-30-27N-8W, San Juan

Huerfano Unit #60 M-4-26N-9W, San Juan

Allison Unit #17 K-24-32N-7W, San Juan

- CASE 4674: Application of Hanagan Petroleum Corporation for an unorthodox gas well location, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval of an unorthodox gas well location for its Millman Deep Well No. 1 located 660 feet from the North line and 1924 feet from the East line of Section 4, Township 19 South, Range 28 East, undesignated Morrow gas pool, Eddy County, New Mexico, with the E/2 of said Section 4, to be dedicated to the well.
- CASE 4670: Application of BTA Oil Producers for a special gasoil ratio limitation, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks as an exception to Rule 506 of the Commission Rules and Regulations, a limiting gas-oil ratio of 10,000 cubic feet of gas per barrel of oil for the Vada-Pennsylvanian Pool, Lea County, New Mexico.
- CASE 4671: Application of V. F. Vasicek and J. M. Fullinwider, dba V-F Petroleum for compulsory pooling, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicants, in the above-styled cause, seek an order pooling all mineral interests from the surface of the ground down to and including the Wolfcamp formation underlying the SE/4 SW/4 of Section 1, Township 15 South, Range 36 East, Lea County, New Mexico, to form a standard oil proration unit to be dedicated to a well to be drilled at a standard location on said unit. Also to be considered will be the costs of drilling said well, a charge for the risk involved, a provision for the allocation of actual operating costs, and the establishment of charges for supervision of said well.
- CASE 4672: Application of Paul M. Mershon, Jr., and Vincent Shryack for compulsory pooling, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests from the surface of the ground down to and including the Morrow formation underlying the W/2 of Section 15, Township 17 South, Range 29 East, Grayburg-Morrow Gas Pool, Eddy County, New Mexico, to form a standard 320-acre unit for the production of gas to be dedicated to a well to be drilled at a standard location for said unit. Also to be considered will be the costs of drilling said well, a charge for the risk

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involved, a provision for the allocation of actual operating costs, and the establishment of charges for supervision of said well.

CASE 4508: (Reopened)

In the matter of Case 4508 being reopened pursuant to the provisions of Order No. R-4117, which order established special rules and regulations for the Warren-Devonian Pool, Lea County, New Mexico, including a provision for 80-acre spacing units. All interested persons may appear and show cause why said pool should not be developed on 40-acre spacing units.

- CASE 4673: Application of Fluid Power Pump Company for two nonstandard oil proration units, Sandoval County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for two 160-acre non-standard oil proration units in Township 19 North, Range 3 West, Media-Entrada Oil Pool, Sandoval County, New Mexico, said units comprising acreage as follows:
 - 1. S/2 NW/4 and N/2 SW/4 of Section 14
 - 2. S/2 NE/4 and N/2 SE/4 of Section 15

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Our client, Humble Oil & Refining Company, is interested in Case No. 4563 which appears on the examiner's docket for July 28. This is the application of Corrine Grace for special gas/oil ratio limitations and other matters. Humble has been informed that a request has been or will be made by Mrs. Grace to have the case continued to a later date. In order to avoid an unnecessary trip in connection with this matter, if such a request has been made I would appreciate your calling me collect Monday, if possible, so that we will know whether or not the case has been or will be continued.

Yours sincerely,

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

- CASE 4621:

 (Continued from the November 10, 1971 Examiner Hearing)
 Application of Jack L. McClellan for a dual completion,
 Chaves County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the abovestyled cause, seeks approval for the dual completion
 (conventional) of his Bar-J Federal Well No. 1 located
 in Unit E of Section 15, Township 6 South, Range 27 East,
 Chaves County, New Mexico, in such a manner as to produce
 oil from an undesignated Siluro-Devonian pool through
 tubing and gas from the Haystack-Cisco Gas Pool through
 the casing-tubing annulus.
- CASE 4609: (Continued from the November 17, 1971 Examiner Hearing)

 Application of Jack L. McClellan for a unit agreement,
 Chaves County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the abovestyled cause, seeks approval of the Sulimar-Queen Unit
 Area comprising 1520 acres, more or less, of Federal lands
 in Sections 13, 23, 24, 25, and 26 of Township 15 South,
 Range 29 East, and Sections 18 and 19 of Township 15 South,
 Range 30 East, Chaves County, New Mexico.
- CASE 4482: (Reopened):

 In the matter of Case 4482 being reopened pursuant to the provisions of Order No. R-4093, which order established 160-acre spacing units and established a maximum gas-oil ratio limitation of 3,000 cubic feet of gas for each barrel of oil produced for the Parkway-Strawn Pool, Eddy County, New Mexico. All interested parties may appear and show cause why said pool should not be developed on 40-acre or 80-acre spacing units and why the limiting gas-oil ratio should not revert to the statewide limit of 2,000 to one.
- CASE 3709

 (Reopened):

 In the matter of Case 3709 being reopened pursuant to the provisions of Order No. R-3366-B, which order continued 80-acre spacing for the Akah Nez-Devonian Oil Pool, San Juan County, New Mexico, for an additional one-year period. All interested persons may appear and show cause why said pool should not be developed on 40-acre spacing units.
- CASE 4638: Application of Holder Petroleum Corporation for downhole

(Case 4638 continued)

and surface commingling, Roosevelt County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks authority to commingle production from the Todd Lower-San Andres Pool and the Todd Upper-San Andres Gas Pool in the well-bores of its BA Wells Nos. 1 and 2, located respectively, in Units A and H of Section 34, Township 7 South, Range 35 East, Roosevelt County, New Mexico. Applicant further seeks authority to commingle, on the surface, production from said wells prior to measurement.

- CASE 4639: Application of Great Western Drilling Company to directionally drill, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks authority to drill out its State Well No. 1, having a surface location 330 feet from the North and East lines of Section 17, Township 16 South, Range 35 East, Townsend-Morrow Gas Pool, Lea County, New Mexico, to a depth of approximately 8,000 feet and whipstock the well in a southwesterly direction to a bottom-hole location within the NE/4 of said Section 17 at a depth of approximately 11,800 feet.
- CASE 4640: Application of Amoco Production Company for special pool rules, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks the promulgation of special rules for the East Gem-Yates Pool, Lea County, New Mexico, including a provision for 80-acre spacing and proration units.
- CASE 4641: Application of Reserve Oil and Gas Company for a waterflood expansion, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks authority to expand its South Langlie Jal Unit Jalmat Waterflood Project, Jalmat Oil Pool, by the conversion of water injection of its Unit Well No. 23, located 2310 feet from the South and West lines of Section 17, Township 25 South, Range 37 East, Lea County, New Mexico.
- CASE 4642: Application of Fluid Power Pump Company for special pool rules and a pressure maintenance project, Sandoval County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks the promulgation of special rules for the Media-Entrada Pool, including a provision for 160-acre spacing and proration units. Applicant further seeks authority to institute a pressure maintenance project in said pool by the injection of water into the Entrada formation through various wells located in Sections 10, 11, 22, and 23 of Township 19 North, Range 3 West, Sandoval County, New Mexico, and promulgation of rules for said project including a procedure wherey additional injection or production wells at orthodox or unorthodox locations may be approved administratively.

- CASE 4643: Application of Cities Service Oil Company for compulsory pooling and unorthodox gas well location, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests in the Morrow formation underlying the N/2 of Section 19, Township 22 South, Range 27 East, South Carlsbad-Morrow Gas Pool, Eddy County, New Mexico, to form a standard 320-acre proration unit for the production of gas from the Morrow formation with said unit to be dedicated to a well to be drilled at an unorthodox location 2173 feet from the North line and 1200 feet from the East line of said Section 19.
- CASE 4644: Application of Continental Oil Company for four non-standard gas proration units and rededication of acreage, Lea County New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks the rededication of acreage and the establishment of the following-described non-standard gas proration units for wells on its Meyer A-29 Lease in Section 29, Township 22 South, Range 36 East, Jalmat Gas Pool, Lea County, New Mexico.
 - A 240-acre unit comprising the SE/4 and E/2 SW/4 to be dedicated to Well No. 3 in Unit N;
 - 2. An 80-acre unit comprising the W/2 SW/4 to be dedicated to Well No. 4 in Unit L;
 - 3. An 80-acre unit comprising the E/2 NE/4 to be dedicated to Well No. 5 in Unit A;
 - 4. A 240-acre unit comprising the NW/4 and W/2 NE/4 to be dedicated to Well No. 9 in Unit E.

CASE 4563:

(Continued from the December 1, 1971, Examiner Hearing)
Application of Corrinne Grace for special gas-oil ratio
limitation and pressure maintenance project, Chaves
County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause,
seeks authority to produce her State Well No. 1 located
in Unit A of Section 1, Township 15 South, Range 29 East,
Double L-Queen Pool, Chaves County, New Mexico, with no
gas-oil ratio limitation, strip the liquids, and institute
a pressure maintenance project by the injection of all
said gas back into the producing formation through her
State Well No. 2 located in Unit B of said Section 1,
Applicant further seeks to transfer an oil allowable from
said Well No. 2 to said Well No. 1.

- CASE 4619: (Continued from the December 1, 1971, Examiner Hearing) Application of Corinne Grace for compulsory pooling, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the abovestyled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests from the surface of the ground down to and including the Morrow formation underlying the N/2 of Section 25, Township 22 South, Range 26 East, which acreage is within one mile of the South Carlsbad-Morrow Gas Pool, Eddy County, New Mexico. Said acreage to be dedicated to a well to be drilled to the Morrow formation at a location 1980 feet from the North and East lines of said Section 25. Also to be considered will be the costs of drilling said well, a charge for the risk involved, a provision for the allocation of actual operating costs, and the establishment of charges of supervision of said well.
- CASE 4620: (Continued from the December 1, 1971, Examiner Hearing) Application of Corinne Grace for compulsory pooling, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the abovestyled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests from the surface of the ground down to and including the Morrow formation underlying the N/2 of Section 24, Township 22 South, Range 26 East, which acreage is in the vicinity of the South Carlsbad-Morrow Gas Pool, Eddy County, New Mexico. Said acreage to be dedicated to a well to be drilled to the Morrow formation at a location 1980 feet from the North and East lines of said Section 24. Also to be considered will be the costs of drilling said well, a charge for the risk involved, a provision for the allocation of actual operating costs, and the establishment of charges for supervision of said well.

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

- CASE 4629: Application of El Paso Natural Gas Company for a dual completion, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for the dual completion (conventional) of its Rocky Arroyo Well No. 1 located in Unit J of Section 8, Township 22 South, Range 22 East, in such a manner as to permit the production of gas from an undesignated Morrow gas pool through tubing and an undesignated Wolfcamp gas pool through the casing-tubing annulus.
- CASE 4630: Application of C. W. Trainer for a non-standard gas unit, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seek approval of a 316.15-acre non-standard gas spacing unit comprising Lots 1 and 2 and E/2 W/2 of Section 31, Township 24 South, Range 37 East, and Lots 2 and 3 of Section 6, Township 25 South, Range 37 East, Custer-Ellenburger Gas Pool, Lea County, New Mexico, to be dedicated to a well to be drilled 660 feet from the South line and 1590 feet from the West line of said Section 31.
- CASE 4631: Application of Gulf Oil Corporation for a dual completion, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for the dual completion (conventional) of its Learcy McBuffington Well No. 7 located in Unit M of Section 13, Township 25 South, Range 37 East, Lea County, New Mexico, in such a manner as to permit the production of oil from the Justis-Tubb-Drinkard Oil Pool and gas from the Justis-Glorieta Gas Pool through parallel strings of tubing.
- CASE 4632: Application of Mobil Oil Corporation for an unorthodox gas well location, Lea County, New Mexico, Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks authority to dedicate the W/2 of Section 14, Township 17 South, Range 34 East, to its Bridges State Well No. 133, situate at an unorthodox location for said unit in the North Vacuum-Morrow Gas Pool, Lea County, New Mexico.

CASE 4563: Continued from the November 10, 1971, Examiner Hearing

Application of Corinne Grace for special gas-oil ratio limitation and pressure maintenance project, Chaves County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks authority to produce her State Well No. 1 located in Unit A of Section 1, Township 15 South, Range 29 East, Double L-Queen Pool, Chaves County, New Mexico, with no gas-oil ratio limitation, strip the liquids, and institute a pressure maintenance project by the injection of all said gas back into the producing formation through her State Well No. 2 located in Unit B of said Section 1. Applicant further seeks to transfer an oil allowable from said Well No. 2 to said Well No. 1.

CASE 4619: Continued from the November 10, 1971, Examiner Hearing

Application of Corinne Grace for compulsory pooling, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests from the surface of the ground down to and including the Morrow formation underlying the N/2 of Section 25, Township 22 South, Range 26 East, which acreage is within one mile of the South Carlsbad-Morrow Gas Pool, Eddy County, New Mexico. Said acreage to be dedicated to a well to be drilled to the Morrow formation at a location 1980 feet from the North and East lines of said Section 25, Also to be considered will be the costs of drilling said well, a charge for the risk involved, a provision for the allocation of actual operating costs, and the establishment of charges of supervision of said well.

CASE 4620: Continued from the November 10, 1971, Examiner Hearing

Application of Corinne Grace for compulsory pooling, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests from the surface of the ground down to and including the Morrow formation underlying the N/2 of Section 24, Township 22 South, Range 26 East, which

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acreage is in the vicinity of the South Carlsbad-Morrow Gas Pool, Eddy County, New Mexico. Said acreage to be dedicated to a well to be drilled to the Morrow formation at a location 1980 feet from the North and East lines of said Section 24. Also to be considered will be the costs of drilling said well, a charge for the risk involved, a provision for the allocation of actual operating costs, and the establishment of charges for supervision of said well.

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DOCKET: EXAMINER HEARING - WEDNESDAY - SEPTEMBER 29, 1971

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:

- CASE 4604: In the matter of the hearing called by the Oil Conservation Commission upon its own motion to consider the consolidation of the Eunice and Monument areas of the Eunice Monument Pool (Grayburg-San Andres), Lea County, New Mexico, and the ascertainment of a common efficient gasoil ratio limitation for the consolidated area.
- CASE 4598: Application of Continental Oil Company for an exception to Order No. R-2408, and for a dual completion, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks authority to drill its Meyer B-4 Well No. 28 in Unit R of Section 4, Township 21 South, Range 36 East, as the second well on an 80-acre proration unit in the Oil Center-Blinebry Pool and to complete said well as a dual completion (conventional) to produce oil from said Oil Center-Blinebry Pool and the Eunice Grayburg-San Andres Pool through parallel strings of tubing.
- CASE 4599: Application of Continental Oil Company for a dual completion, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks authority to dually complete its SEMU Well No. 61 located in Unit P of Section 15, Township 20 South, Range 37 East, as a dual completion to produce gas from the Weir-Drinkard Pool through tubing and gas from the Weir-Blinebry Pool through the casing-tubing annulus.
- CASE 4600: Application of El Paso Natural Gas Company for a non-standard gas proration unit, Eddy County, New Mexico.

 Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval of a 320-acre non-standard gas proration unit comprising the NW/4, N/2 SW/4, SW/4 SW/4, and NW/4 NE/4 of Section 22, Township 17 South, Range 29 East, Grayburg-Morrow Gas Pool, Eddy County, New Mexico, to be dedicated to its Leonard State "Com" Well No. 1 located in Unit E of said section.
- CASE 4601: Application of Humble Oil & Refining Company for the rededication of acreage, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks the amendment of Order No. R-3700, to permit the simultaneous dedication of the standard 640-acre Eumont gas proration unit authorized therein to its New Mexico "G" State Wells 2 and 6 located in Units P and M respectively of Section 26, Township 21 South, Range 36 East, Lea County, New Mexico rather than Wells 2 and 4 as at present.

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- CASE 4602: Application of Tenneco Oil Company for an unorthodox oil well location, San Juan County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks as an exception to Rule 104 B II, approval of an unorthodox Pennsylvanian oil well location for its Pah Well No. 1 located 1500 feet from the South line and 990 feet from the East line of Section 3, Township 25 North, Range 11 West, San Juan County, New Mexico.
- CASE 4603: Application of Tenneco Oil Company for a unit agreement, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval of the Sand Springs Unit Area comprising 2999 acres, more or less, of State lands in Townships 10 and 11 South, Ranges 34 and 35 East, Lea County, New Mexico.
- CASE 4563: Continued from the August 11, 1971 Examiner Hearing
 Application of Corinne Grace for special gas-oil ratio
 limitation and pressure maintenance project, Chaves County,
 New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks
 authority to produce her State Well No. 1 located in Unit
 A of Section 1, Township 15 South, Range 29 East, Double
 L-Queen Pool, Chaves County, New Mexico, with no gas-oil
 ratio limitation, strip the liquids, and institute a
 pressure maintenance project by the injection of all said
 gas back into the producing formation through her State
 Well No. 2 located in Unit B of said Section 1. Applicant
 further seeks to transfer an oil allowable from said Well
 No. 2 to said Well No. 1.
- Continued from the September 15, 1971 Examiner Hearing CASE 4592: Application of Gulf Oil Corporation for amendment of order permitting commingling of production, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks the amendment of Order No. R-4079, which order authorized the applicant to commingle production from the Hobbs (Grayburg-San Andres) and Hobbs-Blinebry Pools on its W. D. Grimes NCT-B Lease and to commingle production from said lease with the Hobbs (Grayburg-San Andres) Pool on its W. D. Grimes NCT-A lease, located in Sections 32 and 33, Township 18 South, Range 38 East, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant seeks to allocate production to each lease and pool on the basis of by-monthly tests rather than monthly tests.

DOCKET: EXAMINER HEARING - WEDNESDAY - NOVEMBER 10, 1971

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

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

- CASE 4617: Application of Tenneco Oil Company for a unit agreement, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval of a unit area comprising 520 acres, more or less, of Federal lands in Section 3, Township 19 South, Range 32 East, Lusk-Seven Rivers Pool, Lea County, New Mexico.
- CASE 4618: Application of Tenneco Oil Company for a waterflood project, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks authority to institute a waterflood project in the Lusk-Seven Rivers Pool by the injection of water through one well located in the SE/4 NW/4 of Section 3, Township 19 South, Range 32 East, Lea County, New Mexico.
- CASE 4619: Application of Corinne Grace for compulsory pooling, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests from the surface of the ground down to and including the Morrow formation underlying the N/2 of Section 25, Township 22 South, Range 26 East, which acreage is within one mile of the South Carlsbad-Morrow Gas Pool, Eddy County, New Mexico. Said acreage to be dedicated to a well to be drilled to the Morrow formation at a location 1980 feet from the North and East lines of said Section 25. Also to be considered will be the costs of drilling said well, a charge for the risk involved, a provision for the allocation of actual operating costs, and the establishment of charges of supervision of said well.
- CASE 4620: Application of Corinne Grace for compulsory pooling, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests from the surface of the ground down to and including the Morrow formation underlying the N/2 of Section 24, Township 22 South, Range 26 East, which acreage is in the vicinity of the South Carlsbad-Morrow Gas Pool, Eddy County, New Mexico. Said acreage to be dedicated to a well to be drilled to the Morrow formation at a location 1980 feet from the North and East lines of said Section 24. Also to be considered will be the costs of drilling said well, a charge for the risk involved, a provision for the allocation of actual operating costs, and the establishment of charges for supervision of said well.

CASE 4563: Continued from the October 27, 1971, Examiner Hearing

Application of Corinne Grace for special gas-oil ratio limitation and pressure maintenance project, Chaves County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks authority to produce her State Well No. 1 located in Unit A of Section 1, Township 15 South, Range 29 East, Double L-Queen Pool, Chaves County, New Mexico, with no gas-oil ratio limitation, strip the liquids, and institute a pressure maintenance project by the injection of all said gas back into the producing formation through her State Well No. 2 located in Unit B of said Section 1. Applicant further seeks to transfer an oil allowable from said Well No. 2 to said Well No. 1.

- CASE 4621: Application of Jack L. McClellan for a dual completion, Chaves County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for the dual completion (conventional) of his Bar-J Federal Well No. 1 located in Unit E of Section 15, Township 6 South, Range 27 East, Chaves County, New Mexico, in such a manner as to produce oil from an undesignated Siluro-Devonian pool through tubing and gas from the Haystack-Cisco Gas Pool through the casing-tubing annulus.
- CASE 4622: Application of Jake L. Hamon for a non-standard unit, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval of an 80-acre non-standard oil proration unit comprising the NE/4 SE/4 and SE/4 NE/4 of Section 30, Township 16 South, Range 36 East, East Shoe Bar-Devonian Pool, Lea County, New Mexico, to be dedicated to a well to be drilled 1830 feet from the South line and 660 feet from the East line of said Section 30.
- CASE 4623: In the matter of the hearing called by the Oil Conservation Commission upon its own motion to consider the amendment of the definition of a gas well as it appears in its Rules and Regulations to read as follows:

"Gas well shall mean a well producing gas or natural gas from a gas pool or a well with a gas-oil ratio in excess of 100,000 cubic feet of gas per barrel of oil producing from an oil pool."

DOCKET: EXAMINER HEARING - WEDNESDAY - OCTOBER 27, 1971

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:

- CASE 4613: Application of Scoggins Petroleum Corporation for creation of a new gas pool and special rules, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks the creation of a new Morrow gas pool for its State BI Well No. 1 located in Unit F of Section 33, Township 18 South, Range 25 East, Eddy County, New Mexico, and the promulgation of special rules therefor, including a provision for 640-acre spacing units.
- CASE 4614: Application of Cities Service Oil Company for an unorthodox well location, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks authority to drill an oil well as an infill well in its Southeast Maljamar Grayburg-San Andres Unit Area at an unorthodox location 1395 feet from the South line and 2615 feet from the East line of Section 29, Township 17 South, Range 33 East, Maljamar Pool, Lea County, New Mexico.
- CASE 4612: Application of Meadco Properties for creation of a new pool and special rules, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks the creation of a new pool for the production of oil from the Bough "C" zone of the Pennsylvanian formation for its well located 2130 feet from the West line and 660 feet from the South line of Section 25, Township 10 South, Range 32 East, Lea County, New Mexico, and for the promulgation of special rules therefor, including a provision for 160-acre spacing units.
- CASE 4615: Application of Marathon Oil Company for a unit agreement, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval of the South Eunice (Seven Rivers, Queen) Unit Area comprising 1840 acres, more or less, of state and fee lands in Sections 23, 24, 25, 26, 35, and 36, Township 22 South, Range 36 East, South Eunice Seven Rivers-Queen Pool, Lea County, New Mexico.
- CASE 4616: Application of Marathon Oil Company for a waterflood project, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled

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cause, seeks authority to institute a waterflood project in the South Eunice Seven Rivers-Queen Pool, by the injection of water through eight wells located in Sections 24, 25, and 26, Township 22 South, Range 36 East, Lea County, New Mexico.

CASE 4563 Continued from the September 29, 1971, Examiner Hearing

Application of Corinne Grace for special gas-oil ratio limitation and pressure maintenance project, Chaves County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks authority to produce her State Well No. 1 located in Unit A of Section 1, Township 15 South, Range 29 East, Double L-Queen Pool, Chaves County, New Mexico, with no gas-oil ratio limitation, strip the liquids, and institute a pressure maintenance project by the injection of all said gas back into the producing formation through her State Well No. 2 located in Unit B of said Section 1. Applicant further seeks to transfer an oil allowable from said Well No. 2 to said Well No. 1.

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

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

CASE 4352: (Reopened) (Continued from April 14, April 28, and May 19, 1971; Examiner Hearings)

In the matter of Case 4352 being reopened by the Oil Conservation Commission upon its own motion to give all interested persons an opportunity to appear and present evidence to whether the Double L-Queen and Subla-Queen Pools, Chaves County, New Mexico, are in fact separate reservoirs or one common reservoir. Further, in the event it is found that the two pools comprise one common reservoir, the Commission will consider the adoption of special rules and regulations to provide for the classification of oil and gas wells, spacing and well location requirements for oil and gas wells, and an allocation formula for withdrawals from the gas wells and oil wells.

CASE 4539: (Continued from the May 19, 1971, Examiner Hearing)

In the matter of the hearing called by the Oil Conservation Commission on its own motion to permit Doanbuy Lease & Company, Inc., and all other interested persons to appear and show cause why its following described wells in Section 27, Township 14 South, Range 33 East, Saunders Pool, Lea County, New Mexico, should not be plugged and abandoned in accordance with a Commission-approved plugging program:

Atlantic	State	AC.	٠.	1	Well	No.	1	Unit	N
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Atlantic	State	AC	_	4	Well	No.	6	Unit	P
Atlantic	State	AC	->	4	Well	No.	7	Unit	Ι

CASE 4556: Application of Tenneco Oil Company for salt water disposal, Chaves County, New Nexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks authority to dispose of produced salt water into the Queen formation in the perforated interval from 3154 feet to 3159 feet in its USA-Reno Well No. 1 located in Unit L of Section 3, Township 15 South, Range 31 East, Caprock-Queen Pool, Chaves County, New Mexico.

- CASE 4557: Application of Continental Oil Company for transfer of allowable, Lea County, New Mexico.

 Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks authority to transfer allowable across the boundaries of the participating area and the leases outside said area but within the Maljamar Cooperative Area, MCA Unit Area, Maljamar Grayburg-San Andres Pool, Lea County, New Mexico.
- CASE 4535: (Continued from the April 28, and the May 19, 1971, Examiner Hearings)

Application of Continental Oil Company for down-hole commingling, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks authority to commingle Monument-Tubb and Weir Drinkard oil production in the well-bore of its SEMU Well No. 70, located in Unit I of Section 15, Township 20 South, Range 37 East, Lea County, New Mexico.

- CASE 4558: Application of Midwest Oil Corporation for a unit agreement, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval of the Little Inbe (Bough "C") Unit Area comprising 2,240 acres, more or less, of state lands in Sections 10, 11, 14 and 15 of Township 10 South, Range 33 East, Inbe Permo-Pennsylvanian Pool, Lea County, New Mexico.
- CASE 4559: Application of Midwest Oil Corporation for a waterflood project, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks authority to institute a waterflood project in its Little Inbe (Bough "C") Unit Area, Inbe Permo-Pennsylvanian Pool, Lea County, New Mexico, by the injection of water through three wells located in Sections 11 and 14 of Township 10 South, Range 33 East, Lea Jounty, New Mexico.
- CASE 4560: Application of Rijan Oil Company, Inc. for a pressure maintenance project, San Juan County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks authority to institute a pilot pressure maintenance project in the Slick Rock-Daketa Pool by the injection of water into the Dakota formulan through its Rijan Wells Nos. 10, 12, and 14 located, respectively, in Units F, L and K of Section 31, Township 30 North, Range 16 West, San Juan County, New Mexico.
- CASE 4561: Application of Great Plains Land Company for an exception to Order No. R-3221, as amended, Eddy County, New Mexico.

 Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seek an exception to

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Order No. R-3221, as amended, to dispose of water produced by its well located in the NW/4 NW/4 of Section 31, Township 18 South, Range 30 Fast, Shugart Field, Eddy County, New Mexico.

- CASE 4562: Application of Texas Oil and Gas Corporation, for an unorthodox gas well location, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an exception to the special rules and regulations governing the Indian Basin-Upper Pennsylvanian Gas Pool to permit the drilling of a well at an unorthodox gas well location 990 feet from the North and West lines of Section 22, Township 22 South, Range 23 East, Eddy County, New Mexico.
- CASE 4563: Application of Corinne Grace for special gas-oil ratio limitation and pressure maintenance project, Chaves County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks authority to produce her State Well No. 1 located in Unit A of Section 1, Township 15 South, Range 29 East, Double L-Queen Pool, Chaves County, New Mexico, with no gas-oil ratio limitation, strip the liquids, and institute a pressure maintenance project by the injection of all said gas back into the producing formation through her State Well No. 2 located in Unit B of said Section 1. Applicant further seeks to transfer an oil allowable from said Well No. 2 to said Well No. 1.
- CASE 4564: Application of Penroc Oil Corporation for a non-standard oil proration unit, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval of an 80-acre non-standard oil proration unit comprising the SW/4 NE/4 and NW/4 SE/4 of Section 33, Township 18 South, Range 38 East, Hobbs-Drinkard Pool, Lea County, New Mexico, to be dedicated to its Conoco-State Well No. 1 located 1980 feet from the North line and 2130 feet from the East line of said Section 33.

CASE 4549: (Continued from the June 16,1971, Examiner Hearing)

Application of Tom L. Ingram for unorthodox gas well location, Roosevelt County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval of an unorthodox gas well location for his Light Well No. 1 located 1980 feet from the South line and 660 feet from the East line of Section 15, Township 8 South, Range 37 East, Bluitt-San Andres Associated Pool, Roosevelt County, New Mexico, the S/2 of said Section 15 to be dedicated to the well.

DOCKET: EXAMINER HEARING - WEDNESDAY - AUGUST 11, 1971

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

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

CASE 4563: (Continued from the July 28, 1971, Examiner Hearing)

Application of Corinne Grace for special gas-oil ratio limitation and pressure maintenance project, Chaves County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks authority to produce her State Well No. 1 located in Unit A of Section 1, Township 15 South, Range 29 East, Double L-Queen Pool, Chaves County, New Mexico, with no gas-oil ratio limitation, strip the liquids, and institute a pressure maintenance project by the injection of all said gas back into the producing formation through her State Well No. 2 located in Unit B of said Section 1. Applicant further seeks to transfer an oil allowable from said Well No. 2 to said Well No. 1.

Application of Anadarko Production Company for the creation CASE 4575: of a new gas pool, or, in the alternative, the amendment of the special pool rules for an existing pool and pool commingling, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the abovestyled cause, seeks the creation of a new San Andres gas pool for its Lou Wortham Well No. 6 located in Unit E of Section 11, Township 22 South, Range 37 East, or, in the alternative, the amendment of the special rules and regulations governing the South Eunice-San Andres Pool to provide for the classification of oil and gas wells, spacing and well location requirements, and an allocation formula for withdrawals by oil and gas wells. In the event the Commission creates the above-requested gas pool, applicant further seeks authority to commingle on the surface the liquid hydrocarbons from the above-described Well No. 6 and its Wortham Well No. 5, a South Eunice-San Andres Pool well, located in Unit C of said Section 11.

CASE 4576: Application of Continental Oil Company for unorthodox oil well locations, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks authority to drill two oil wells as infill wells in its Eumont Hardy Unit Area, Eumont Pool, Lea County, New Mexico, at unorthodox locations as follows:

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TOWNSHIP 21 SOUTH, RANGE 37 EAST Eumont Hardy Unit Well No. 48 to be located 1492 feet from the North line and 560 feet from the East line of Section 6;

Eumont Hardy Unit Well No. 49 to be located 3660 feet from the South line and 1980 feet from the West line of Section 6.

- CASE 4577: Application of Petroleum Corporation for the creation of a new pool, special rules therefor, and discovery allowable, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks the creation of a new Wolfcamp oil pool for its Petco State Well No. 2 located in Unit N of Section 26, Township 19 South, Range 29 East, Eddy County, New Mexico, and the promulgation of special rules therefor, including a provision for 160-acre spacing and proration units. Applicant further seeks the assignment of an oil discovery allowable in the amount of approximately 48,110 barrels to said well.
- CASE 4578: Application of Harvey E. Yates Company for a unit agreement, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval of the Empire South Deep Unit Area comprising 4968 acres, more or less, of Federal, State and Fee lands in Townships 17 and 18 South, Ranges 28 and 29 East, Eddy County, New Mexico.
- CASE 4579: Application of Stephen C. Helbing for a unit agreement, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval of the Juniper Canyon Unit Area comprising 6,880 acres, more or less, of Federal, State and Fee lands in Township 24 South, Range 25 East, Eddy County, New Mexico.
- CASE 4530: Application of Gulf Oil Corporation for a dual completion, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for the dual completion (conventional) of its Harry Leonard (NCT-C) Well No. 12 located in Unit A of Section 36, Township 21 South, Range 36 East, Lea County, New Mexico, in such a manner as to permit the production of oil from the Arrowhead-Grayburg and Blinebry Pools through parallel strings of tubing.

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CASE 4570:

(Continued from the July 28, 1971, Examiner Hearing) Application of Shenandoah Oil Corporation for salt water disposal, Chaves County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks authority to dispose of produced salt water into the San Andres formation in the interval from 1760 feet to 1840 feet by injection down the annulus of its Read & Stevens "M" Federal Well No. 1 located in Unit K of Section 28, Township 6 South, Range 27 East, Haystack-Cisco Gas Pool, Chaves County, New Mexico.

DOCKET: EXAMINER HEARING - WEDNESDAY - JULY 28, 1971

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:

CASE 4539: (Continued from the June 30, 1971, Examiner Hearing)

In the matter of the hearing called by the Oil Conservation Commission on its own motion to permit Doanbuy Lease & Company, Inc., and all other interested persons to appear and show cause why its following described wells in Section 27, Township 14 South, Range 33 East, Saunders Pool, Lea County, New Mexico, should not be plugged and abandoned in accordance with a Commission-approved plugging program.

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Atlantic	State	AC-3	Well	No.	5	Unit	J
Atlantic	State	AC-4	Well	No.	6	Unit	P
Atlantic	State	AC-4	Well	No.	7	Unit	Ι

CASE 4558: (Continued from the June 30, 1971, Examiner Hearing)

Application of Midwest Oil Corporation for a unit agreement, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval of the Little Inbe (Bough "C") Unit Area comprising 2,240 acres, more or less, of state lands in Sections 10, 11, 14 and 15 of Township 10 South, Range 33 East, Inbe Permo-Pennsylvanian Pool, Lea County, New Mexico.

CASE 4559: (Continued from the June 30, 1971, Examinor Hearing)

Application of Midwest Oil Corporation for a waterflood project, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks authority to institute a waterflood project in its Little Inbe (Bough "C") Unit Area, Inbe Permo-Pennsylvanian Pool, Lea County, New Mexico, by the injection of water through three wells located in Sections 11 and 14 of Township 10 South, Range 33 East, Lea County, New Mexico.

CASE 4563: (Continued from the June 30, 1971, Examiner Hearing)

Application of Corinne Grace for special gas-oil ratio limitation and pressure maintenance project, Chaves County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks authority to produce her State Well No. 1 located in Unit A of Section 1, Township 15 South, Range 29 East, Double L-Queen Pool, Chaves County, New Mexico, with no gas-oil ratio limitation, strip the liquids, and institute a pressure maintenance project by the injection of all said gas back into the producing formation through her State Well No. 2 located in Unit B of said Section 1. Applicant further seeks to transfer an oil allowable from said Well No. 2 to said Well No. 1.

CASE 4561: (Continued and readvertised from the June 30, 1971, Examiner Hearing)

Application of Great Plains Land Company for an exception to Order No. R-3221, as amended, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an exception to Order No. R-3221, as amended, to dispose of water produced by its well located in the NW/4 NW/4 of Section 31, Township 18 South, Range 31 East, Shugart Field, Eddy County, New Mexico.

- CASE 4570: Application of Shenandoah Oil Corporation for salt water disposal, Chaves County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks authority to dispose of produced salt water into the San Andres formation in the interval from 1760 feet to 1840 feet by injection down the annulus of its Read & Stevens "M" Federal Well No. 1 located in Unit K of Section 28, Township 6 South, Range 27 East, Haystack-Cisco Gas Pool, Chaves County, New Mexico.
- CASE 4571: Application of Read & Stevens for an unorthodox gas well location, Chaves County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an exception to the special rules and regulations governing the Buffalo Valley-Pennsylvanian Gas Pool to permit the drilling of a well at an unorthodox gas well location 990 feet from the South and West lines of Section 5, Township 15 South, Range 28 East, Chaves County, New Mexico, the S/2 of said Section 5 to be dedicated to the well.

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- CASE 4572: Application of Franklin, Aston & Fair, Inc., for salt water disposal, Roosevelt County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks authority to dispose of produced salt water into the "B" zone of the Slaughter section of the San Andres formation in its Cook State Well No. 1 located in Unit L of Section 32, Township 7 South, Range 36 East, Todd-San Andres Field, Roosevelt County, New Mexico.
- CASE 4573: Application of Tenneco Oil Company for a unit agreement, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval of the Sand Springs South Unit Area comprising 2536 acres, more or less, of state lands in Township 11 South, Ranges 34 and 35 East, Lea County, New Mexico.
- CASE 4574: In the matter of the hearing called by the Oil Conservation Commission on its own motion to permit Tenneco Oil Company to appear and show cause why it should not take immediate action to repair the production casing in its Bolack "B" Well No. 5 located in Unit J of Section 31, Township 27 North, Range 8 West, Basin-Dakota Pool, San Juan County, New Mexico.
- CASE 4569: (Continued from the July 14, 1971, Examiner Hearing)

 Application of Barber Oil, Inc., for an unorthodox oil well location, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks authority to drill a producing oil well at an unorthodox location 1326 feet from the South line and 5 feet from the West line of Section 13, Township 20 South, Range 28 East, as an infill well in its waterflood project in the Russell (Yates) Pool, Eddy County, New Mexico.

OIL. CONSERVATION COMMISSION P. O. BOX 2088 SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO 87501

Canuary 28, 1972

Mrs. Corinne Grace P. O. Box 1418 Carlsbad, New Mexico

> Re: Cases Nos. 4563, 4619, and 4620

Dear Mrs. Grace:

At the request of the applicant the above numbered cases will be continued to March 1, 1972. A copy of the docket will be mailed to you at a later date.

Very truly yours,

GEORGE M. E.TCH Attorney

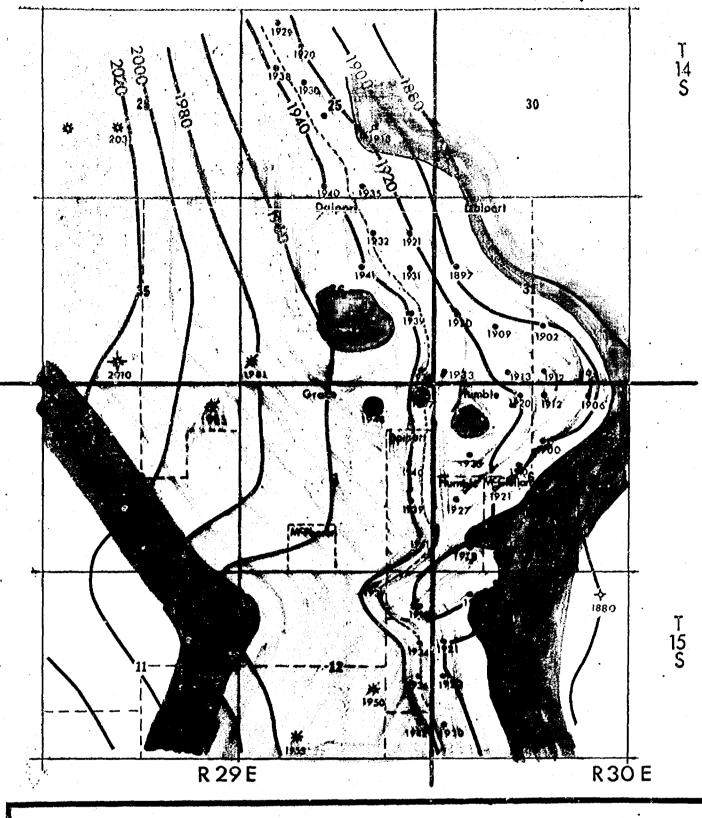
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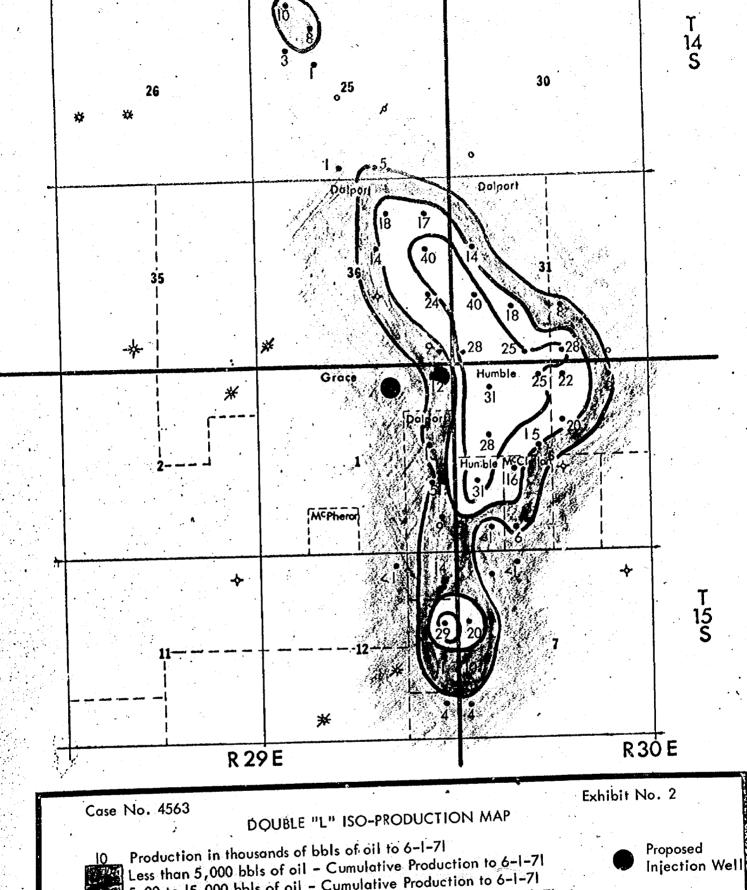
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William J. LeMay - Geologist





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Submitted by Corinne Grace
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BEFORE THE OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

STATE OF NEW MEXICO

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IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF) CORINNE GRACE FOR PRESSURE MAINTENENCE PROJECT, DOUBLE "L" FIELD, CHAVES COUNTY, NEW MEXICO)

Case No. 14563

APPLICATION

COMES NOW Corinne Grace, whose address is P.O. Box 2062, Santa Fe, New Mexico, and respectfully presents this application to the Oil Conservation Commission of the State of New Mexico for an Order permitting her to produce gas and associated liquids from her No. 1 State, located in Unit A, Section 1, T-15-5, R-29-E, Chaves County, New Mexico; said gas to be stripped of its liquid hydrocarbon content and reinjected back into the same producing Queen sand pay in her No. 2 State, located in Unit B, Section I, T-15-5, R-29-E, Chaves County, New Mexico. This application further requests that the Commission issue an order which would exempt the Corinne Grace No. 1 State from the limiting G.O.R. in the Double "L" Field which is currently 2,000 to 1 and provide for the transfer of oil allowables from her No. 2 State to her No. 1 State. The above described pressure maintenence project would allow Corinne Grace to produce part of the oil in place under her acreage, not to exceed the wells'allowables, without significant depletion of reservoir energy and would protect correlative rights and prevent waste.

IT IS THEREFORE RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED that this application be set for an examiner's hearing, and upon such hearing that permission be granted to conduct said pressure maintenence project. DOCKET MARED

Respectfully submitted,

William J. LeMay Agent for Applicant

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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:

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CASE No. 4563

Order No. R- 4/276

APPLICATION OF CORINNE GRACE FOR SPECIAL GAS-OIL RATIO LIMITATION AND PRESSURE MAINTENANCE PROJECT, CHAVES COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

BY THE COMMISSION:

This cause came on for hearing at 9 a.m. on <u>March 1</u>, 1972, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner Richard L. Stamets

NOW, on this day of March, 1972, 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 the applicant, Corinne Grace, is the owner and operator of the Grace State Wells Nos. 1 and 2 located in Units A and B, respectively, of Section 1, Township 15 South, Range 29 East, NMPM, Double L-Queen Associated Pool, Chaves County, New Mexico.
 - (3) That the Special Rules and Regulations for the Double L-Queen Associated Pool provide that a well shall be classified as a gas well if it has a gas-liquid ratio of 30,000 or more cubic feet of gas per barrel of liquid hydrocarbons and shall

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be classified as an oil well if it has a gas-liquid ratio of less than 30,000 cubic feet of gas per barrel of liquid hydrocarbons.

- (4) That said rules provide that the limiting gas-oil ratio for the pool shall be 2000 cubic feet of gas for each barrel of oil produced.
- (5) That said Special Rules and Regulations limit the total amount of gas that can be produced by either an oil well or a gas well.
- (6) That the applicant seeks authority, as an exception to the Special Rules and Regulations for the Double L-Queen Associated Pool, to produce the Grace State Well No. 1 as an oil well with no limitation upon gas production from said well, separate the gas from the liquids by ordinary separation methods, and institute a pressure maintenance project by injecting all of said gas back into the producing formation through the Grace State Well No. 2.
- (7) That unlimited gas production from the Grace State Well No. 1 will not cause waste nor violate correlative rights, provided said well produces no more than a 40-acre oil allowable for the pool and provided further that all gas produced by said well is reinjected into the producing formation through the Grace State Well No. 2.
- (8) That the proposed pressure maintenance project is in the interest of conservation and should result in greater ultimate recovery of oil, thereby preventing waste.
- (9) That for the purposes of the proposed pressure maintenance project, the Grace State Well No. 1 should be classified as a producing oil well with a 40-acre oil allowable and that the Grace State Well No. 2 should be classified as a gas injection well with no allowable.

- (10) That all gas produced by said Well No. 1 should be measured and all gas injected through said Well No. 2 should be measured.
- (11) That the subject application should be approved and the pressure maintenance project should be governed by the provisions of Rules 701, 702, 703, and 704 of the Commission Rules and Regulations insofar as said rules are not inconsistent with this order.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

- (1) That the applicant, Corinne Grace, is hereby authorized to institute a pressure maintenance project in the Double L-Queen Associated Pool, Chaves County, New Mexico, designated as the Grace Double L-Pressure Maintenance Project, by the injection of gas into the Queen formation in accordance with the following terms and conditions:
- (a) The producing oil well for the project, the

 Grace State Well No. 1 located in Unit A of Section 1, Township

 15 South, Range 29 East, NMPM, may produce up to a top 40-acrety

 unit oil allowable with no limitation upon the amount of gas

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- (b) That all gas produced by said Grace State Well No. 1 shall be injected into the producing formation of the Double L-Queen Associated Pool through the Grace State Well No. 2 located in Unit B of Section 1, Township 15 South, Range 29 East, NMPM.
- (c) That injection of gas into the Grace State Well No. 2 shall be accomplished through 8 5/8-inch casing; that the wellhead shall be equipped with a pressure gauge properly maintained in working order.

- (d) That all gas produced by the Grace State Well No. 1 and all gas injected through the Grace State Well No. 2 shall be measured by use of meters. or such other method as may be-approved by the Secretary-Director of the Commission.
- (e) That the applicant shall notify the Artesia District Office of the Commission of the commencement of injection within seven days of the date of first injection.
- (f) That the project shall be governed by the provisions of Rules 701, 702, 703, and 704 of the Commission Rules and Regulations insofar as said rules are not inconsistent with this order.
- (g) That monthly progress reports of the pressure maintenance project shall be submitted to the Commission in accordance with Rules 704 and 1120 of the Commission Rules and Regulations.
- (2) 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.

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BEFORE THE OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO

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CASE No. 4563 Order No. R-4276-A

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF CORINNE GRACE FOR SPECIAL GAS-OIL RATIO LIMITATION AND PRESSURE MAINTE-NANCE PROJECT, CHAVES COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

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3-19-72

BY THE COMMISSION:

It appearing to the Commission that due to clerical error, Order No. R-4276, dated March 15, 1972, does not correctly state the intended order of the Commission,

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

- (1) That Paragraph (c) of Order (l) of Commission Order

 No. R-4276 is hereby corrected to read in its entirety as follows:
- "(c) That injection of gas into the Grace State Well No. 2 shall be accomplished through 5 1/2-inch casing; that the wellhead shall be equipped with a pressure gauge properly maintained in working order."
- (2) That the correction set forth above shall be effective nunc pro tunc as of March 15, 1972.

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