

CASE 5101: APPLI. OF SOUTHERN
UNION PROD. CO. FOR AN UNORTHO-
DOX GAS WELL LOCATION.

CASE No.

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Application,

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BEFORE THE
NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION
OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION CONFERENCE ROOM
STATE LAND OFFICE BUILDING
SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO
Wednesday, November 14, 1973

IN THE MATTER OF:

Application of Southern Union
Production Company for an
unorthodox gas well location,
Eddy County, New Mexico.

Case No. 5101

BEFORE: DANIEL S. NUTTER
Examiner

TRANSCRIPT OF EXAMINER HEARING

1 MR. NUTTER: Call Case 5101.

2 MR. DERRYBERRY: Case 5101, application of Southern
3 Union Production Company for an unorthodox gas well
4 location, Eddy County, New Mexico.

5 MR. NUTTER: Case Number 5101 will be dismissed
6 inasmuch as it is being *processed* protested administratively.
7 We will take a fifteen-minute recess.

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C E R T I F I C A T E

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

Janet Russell
COURT REPORTER

I hereby certify that the foregoing
Transcript of the hearing
before the New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission
is a true and correct record of the said
proceedings to the best of my knowledge, skill and ability.
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Christina

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. 5101
Order No. R-4581

APPLICATION OF SOUTHERN UNION
PRODUCTION COMPANY FOR AN
UNORTHODOX GAS WELL LOCATION,
EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

BY THE COMMISSION:

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

NOW, on this 30th day of November, 1973, the Commission, a quorum being present, having considered the record and the recommendations of the Examiner, and being fully advised in the premises,

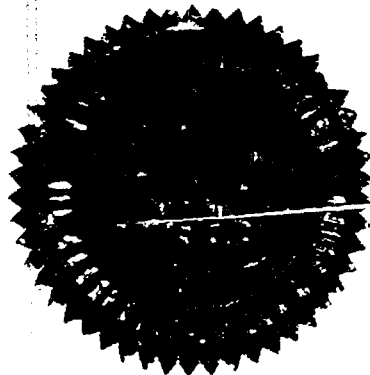
FINDS:

Case No. 5101 should be dismissed inasmuch as the application has been approved administratively.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

That Case No. 5101 is hereby dismissed.

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



STATE OF NEW MEXICO
OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

[Signature]
I. R. TRUJILLO, Chairman

MAX J. ARAGUJO, Member

[Signature]
R. L. FORTNA, Jr., Member & Secretary

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DOCKET: EXAMINER HEARING - WEDNESDAY - NOVEMBER 14, 1973

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 Richard L. Stamets, Alternate Examiner:

CASE 5044: (Continued from the October 3, 1973, Examiner Hearing)

In the matter of the hearing called by the Oil Conservation Commission on its own motion to permit Sycor Newton, Peru Milling Company, R. E. Deming and Aetna Life and Casualty Company and all other interested parties to appear and show cause why the State L 6350 Well No. 1 located in Unit M of Section 10, Township 23 South, Range 11 West, Luna County, New Mexico, should not be plugged and abandoned in accordance with a Commission-approved plugging program.

CASE 5098: Application of R. J. Zonne for special pool rules, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks the creation of a Morrow gas pool for his Federal Well No. 1 located in Unit G of Section 20, Township 22 South, Range 32 East, Lea County, New Mexico, and the promulgation of special rules therefor, including a provision for 640-acre spacing.

CASE 4849: (Reopened)

In the matter of Case No. 4849 being reopened pursuant to the provisions of Order No. R-4436 which order established temporary special rules for the Humble City-Atoka Pool, Lea County, New Mexico, including a provision for 80-acre spacing. All interested parties may appear and show cause why said pool rules should remain in effect.

CASE 5099: Application of Pennzoil Company for a pool creation, special pool rules and an unorthodox gas well location, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks the creation of a Wolfcamp gas pool for its Moore Com Well No. 1 located at an unorthodox Wolfcamp location 2310 feet from the South line and 660 feet from the East line of Section 23, Township 22 South, Range 26 East, Eddy County, New Mexico, and the promulgation of special pool rules therefor, including a provision for 320-acre spacing.

CASE 5100: Application of Estill Production Corporation for compulsory pooling, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests underlying the W/2 of Section 21, Township 18 South, Range 33 East, South Corbin-Morrow Gas Pool, Lea County, New Mexico, to be dedicated to a well to be drilled at a standard location for said unit. Also to be considered will be the cost of drilling and completing said well and the allocation of such costs, as well as actual operating costs and charges for supervision. Also to be considered is the designation of applicant as operator of the well and a charge for risk involved in drilling said well.

- CASE 5101: Application of Southern Union Production Company for an unorthodox gas well location, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for an unorthodox gas well location for its McKittrick-Federal Well No. 1 at a point 2390 feet from the North line and 830 feet from the East line of Section 14, Township 22 South, Range 24 East, Eddy County, New Mexico, the E/2 of said Section 14 to be dedicated to the well.
- CASE 5102: Application of Anne Burnett Tandy dba Windfohr Oil Company for two waterflood projects, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks authority to institute two waterflood projects by the injection of water into the Grayburg and San Andres formations through 6 wells on its Jackson "B" Lease and through 3 wells on its Gissler "B" Lease, located in Sections 1 and 11, respectively, Township 17 South, Range 30 East, Square Lake Pool, Eddy County, New Mexico.
- CASE 5103: Application of David Fasken for an unorthodox gas well location, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for an unorthodox gas well location at a point 1000 feet from the North and West lines of Section 32, Township 20 South, Range 25 East, Indian Hills-Morrow Gas Pool, Eddy County, New Mexico.
- CASE 5104: 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 of its Rocky Arroyo "C" Well No. 1 located in Unit F of Section 8, Township 22 South, Range 22 East, Rocky Arroyo Field, Eddy County, New Mexico, in such a manner as to produce gas from the Canyon formation and gas from the Morrow formation through the casing-tubing annulus and through the tubing, respectively.
- CASE 5105: Application of Stallworth Oil and Gas for an unorthodox oil well location, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for an unorthodox oil well location at a point 760 feet from the North line and 860 feet from the West line of Section 11, Township 9 South, Range 33 East, Vada-Pennsylvanian Pool, Lea County, New Mexico, as an exception to the provisions of Rule 4 of Order No. R-3179-A.
- CASE 5106: Application of Read & Stevens, Inc. for an unorthodox gas well location, Chaves County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for an unorthodox gas well location for its Harris Federal Well No. 2 at a point 990 feet from the North line and 2310 feet from the West line of Section 24, Township 15 South, Range 27 East, Buffalo Valley-Pennsylvanian Gas Pool, Chaves County, New Mexico, as an exception to Rule 2 of Order No. R-1670-H, the N/2 of said Section 24 to be dedicated to said well.

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CASE 5107: Southeastern nomenclature case calling for the extension of certain pools in Lea County, New Mexico.

(a) Extend the Antelope Ridge-Atoka Gas Pool in Lea County, New Mexico, to include therein:

TOWNSHIP 24 SOUTH, RANGE 34 EAST, NMPM
Section 2: S/2

(b) Extend the Blinebry Oil Pool in Lea County, New Mexico, to include therein:

TOWNSHIP 22 SOUTH, RANGE 36 EAST, NMPM
Section 1: SE/4
Section 12: NE/4

(c) Extend the Blinebry Gas Pool in Lea County, New Mexico, to include therein:

TOWNSHIP 22 SOUTH, RANGE 36 EAST, NMPM
Section 1: SE/4
Section 12: NE/4

(d) Extend the Drinkard Pool in Lea County, New Mexico, to include therein:

TOWNSHIP 21 SOUTH, RANGE 37 EAST, NMPM
Section 12: SW/4

(e) Extend the South Eunice-San Andres Pool in Lea County, New Mexico, to include therein:

TOWNSHIP 22 SOUTH, RANGE 37 EAST, NMPM
Section 2: SE/4

(f) Extend the Flying "M"-San Andres Pool in Lea County, New Mexico, to include therein:

TOWNSHIP 9 SOUTH, RANGE 33 EAST, NMPM
Section 7: SE/4
Section 8: SW/4
Section 17: N/2 NW/4

(g) Extend the West Garrett-Devonian Pool in Lea County, New Mexico, to include therein:

TOWNSHIP 16 SOUTH, RANGE 38 EAST, NMPM
Section 31: SE/4

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(h) Extend the High Plains-Pennsylvanian Pool in Lea County, New Mexico, to include therein:

TOWNSHIP 14 SOUTH, RANGE 34 EAST, NMFM
Section 26: NW/4

CASE 5114: Application of Texaco Inc. and Perry R. Bass for compulsory pooling and an unorthodox location, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicants, in the above-styled cause, seek an order pooling all mineral interests underlying the W/2 of Section 32, Township 20 South, Range 33 East, South Salt Lake-Morrow Gas Pool, Lea County, New Mexico, to be dedicated to the well currently being drilled by Amini Oil Company at an unorthodox location for said 320-acre unit at a point 990 feet from the South line and 1980 feet from the West line of said Section 32.

Application for
Administrative Approval
BEFORE THE SECRETARY-DIRECTOR
NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION *of Unorthodox*
Location

APPLICATION OF SOUTHERN UNION)
PRODUCTION COMPANY FOR ADMINISTRATIVE)
APPROVAL OF AN UNORTHODOX GAS WELL)
LOCATION IN THE MORROW FORMATION,)
EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO)

REPLACEMENT FOR
CASE NO. 5101

and request
for dismissal
of Case

No 5101

APPLICATION

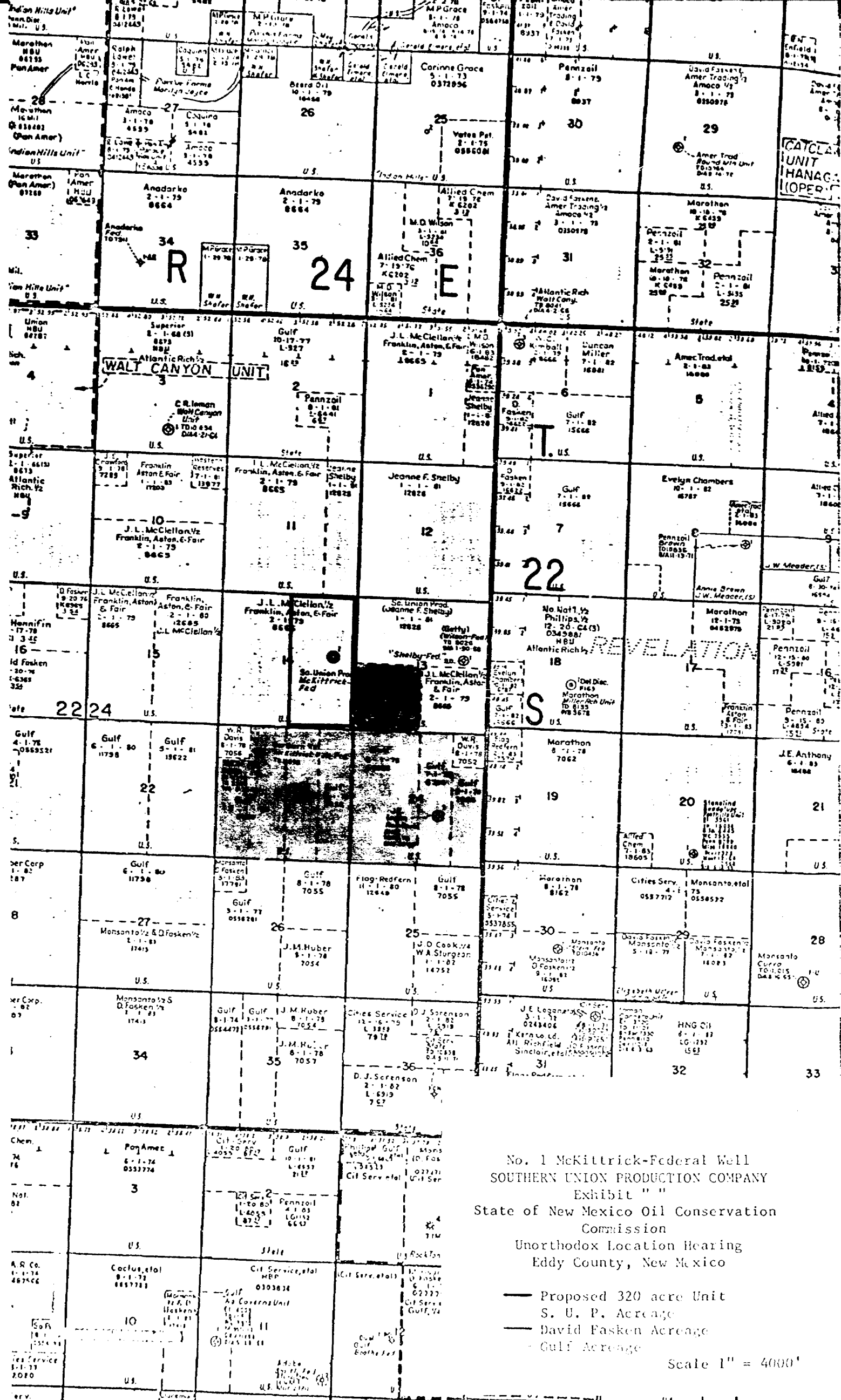
COMES NOW Southern Union Production Company, by its attorneys, and in accordance with Rule No. 104F of Section I of the State of New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission Rules and Regulations requests administrative approval of an unorthodox gas well location in the Morrow formation, Eddy County, New Mexico, and in support of its Application hereby states:

1. Southern Union Production Company is the operator of the East half of Section 14, Township 22 South, Range 24 East, Eddy County, New Mexico.
2. Southern Union Production Company seeks administrative approval of an unorthodox gas well location for its No. 1 McKittrick Federal well 2390 feet from the North and 830 feet from the East lines of Section 14, Township 22 South, Range 24 East, Eddy County, New Mexico. The Eastern half of Section 14 would be dedicated as a unit to the well.
3. Southern Union Production Company bases this Application for administrative approval upon topographical conditions. This Application is accompanied by a plat showing and describing the existing topographical conditions.
4. This Application is accompanied by a plat showing the ownership of all leases offsetting the proration or spacing unit for which the unorthodox location is sought and also all wells completed thereon.
5. Southern Union Production Company has notified by registered or certified mail all operators of proration or spacing units offsetting the unit of this Application and informed such operators the reason for which this unorthodox location is sought.
6. This Application for administrative approval of unorthodox location is filed in triplicate.

WHEREFORE, Southern Union Production Company requests that this Application be set before the Secretary-Director of the New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission for administrative approval and that he enter his order approving this Application.

SOUTHERN UNION PRODUCTION COMPANY

By Richard H. McPike
Richard H. McPike
Attorney



NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION
WELL LOCATION AND ACREAGE DEDICATION PLAT

Form No. 1
Supersedes O.C.C. Form No. 1
Effective 1-1-68

All distances must be from the outer boundaries of the Section

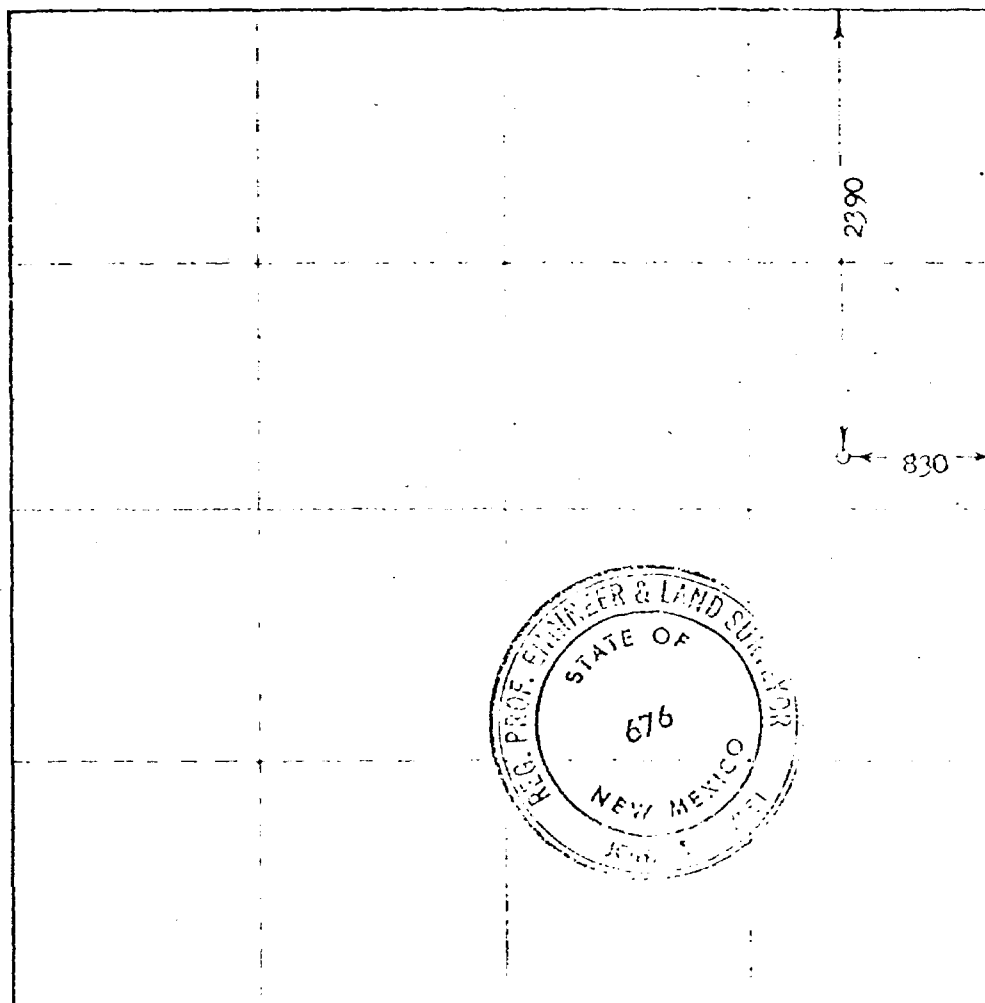
Operator Southern Union Production Co.		McKittick Federal		1
Section H	Range 14	Meridian 22 South	County 24 East	State Eddy
Approximate Location of Well				
2390	(feet from the North	830	(feet from the East	
Ground Level Elev. 4024.9	Forming Formation Morrow		E$\frac{1}{2}$	320

1. Outline the acreage dedicated to the subject well by colored pencil or hair-burn marks on the plat below.
2. If more than one lease is dedicated to the well, outline each and identify the ownership thereof (but not including interest and royalty).
3. If more than one lease of different ownership is dedicated to the well, have the interests of all owners been consolidated by communitization, unitization, force-pooling, etc?

☐ Yes ☐ No If answer is "yes" type of consolidation _____

If answer is "no" list the owners and tract descriptions which have actually been consolidated (if so, please sign at this form if necessary.) _____

No allowable will be assigned to the well until all interests have been consolidated (by communitization, unitization, force-pooling, or otherwise) or until a non-staked unit, eliminating such interests, has been approved by the Commission.



TESTIMONY
I hereby certify that the information furnished herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Sam W. West
Agent
Southern Union Production Co.
10-12-1973

I hereby certify that the information furnished herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

10-12-1973
Sam W. West
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1. *Supra*, note 1, at 110.
 2. *Id.* at 111.
 3. *Id.* at 112.

All citations must be from the outer boundaries of the Section.

1. Outline the acreage dedicated to the subject well by colored pencil or highlight marks on the plat below.
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THEORY OF THE CASE

I hereby certify that the information furnished here is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Agent

Southern Union Production Co.

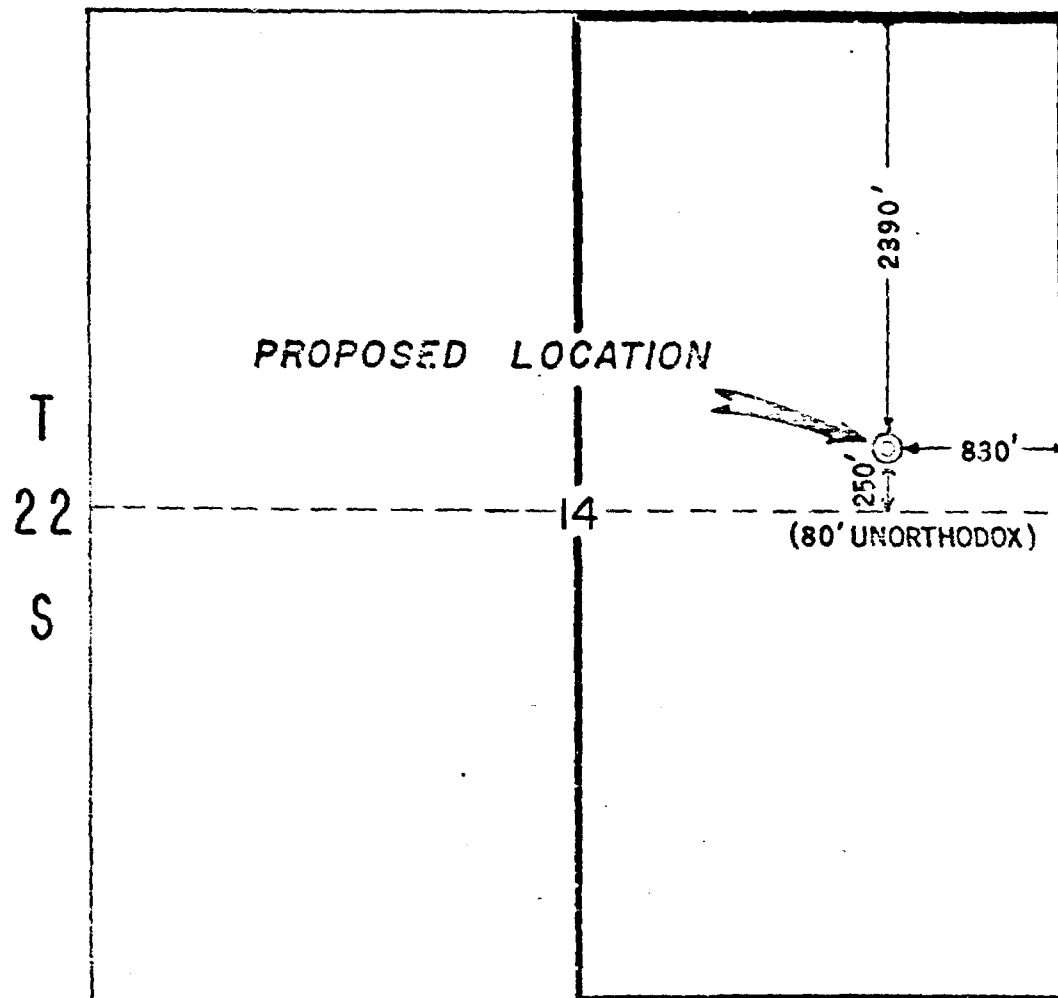
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He says, "It is not that the world is
shown to be a place as hostile as the
notes of a child's cry indicate to be
under its sweetest and its truest
is true and honest to the test of
knowledge and belief."

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SOUTHERN UNION PRODUCTION COMPANY

EXHIBIT " — "

STATE OF NEW MEXICO
OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION
UNORTHODOX LOCATION HEARING
EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

NO. 1 MCKITTRICK FEDERAL WELL

— PROPOSED 320 ACRE UNIT

October 19, 1973

COPY

Mr. Dan Nutter
New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission
P. O. Box 2088
Santa Fe, New Mexico

Re: Southern Union Production
McKittrick-Federal No. 1
Located Sec 14, T-22S, R-24E
Eddy County, New Mexico

Dear Sir:

We are planning to drill this location on what we believed was an orthodox 320 acre (vertical drilling unit - wildcat gas).

If the location is in fact unorthodox, we respectfully request an exception to the spacing rule so that we may drill the well as indicated.

Yours very truly,

Neil W. Weldon, Manager
Drilling and Production

NNH/mc
Enclosures/2

SOUTHERN UNION PRODUCTION COMPANY
SUITE 1700, CAMPBELL CENTRE
8350 NORTH CENTRAL EXPRESSWAY
DALLAS, TEXAS 75206

DRILLING & PRODUCTION DEPT.

NEIL W. WELDON
MANAGER

October 19, 1973

CABLE ADDRESS
SUPCO
DALLAS, TEXAS

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Mr. Dan Nutter
New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission
P. O. Box 2088
Santa Fe, New Mexico

Re: Southern Union Production Co.
McKittrick-Federal No. 1
SE/4 NE/4 of Sec 14, T-22S, R-24E
Eddy nounty, New Mexico

Dear Sir:

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Yours very truly,

Neil W. Weldon

NWW/mc
Enclosures/2

DOCKET 11-1-73

Date 11-1-73

**NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION
WELL LOCATION AND ACREAGE DEDICATION PLAT**

Form C-102
Supersedes C-128
Effective 1-1-65

All distances must be from the outer boundaries of the Section.

Operator Southern Union Production Company			Lease McKittrick		Well No. 1
Unit Letter H	Section 14	Township 22 South	Range 24 East	County Eddy	
Actual Footage Location of Wells: 2390 feet from the North line and 830 feet from the East line					
Ground Level Elev. 4025'	Producing Formation Morrow		Pool Undesignated		Dedicated Acreage: 320 Acres

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Range 24 East

<div style="display: flex;"> <div style="writing-mode: vertical-rl; transform: rotate(180deg); border: 1px dashed black; padding: 5px; margin-right: 10px;">Township 22 South</div> <div style="border: 1px dashed black; padding: 10px; flex-grow: 1;"> </div> </div>	<p align="center">CERTIFICATION</p> <p>I hereby certify that the information contained herein is true and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief.</p> <p>Name Neil W. Weldon</p> <p>Position Mgr., Drilg & Prod.</p> <p>Company Southern Union Production Co.</p> <p>Date October 16, 1973</p> <p>I hereby certify that the well location shown on this plat was plotted from field notes of actual surveys made by me or under my supervision, and that the same is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.</p> <p align="center">October 18, 1973</p> <p>Date Surveyed</p> <p>Registered Professional Engineer or Notary Public</p> <p>Certification No.</p>
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**NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION
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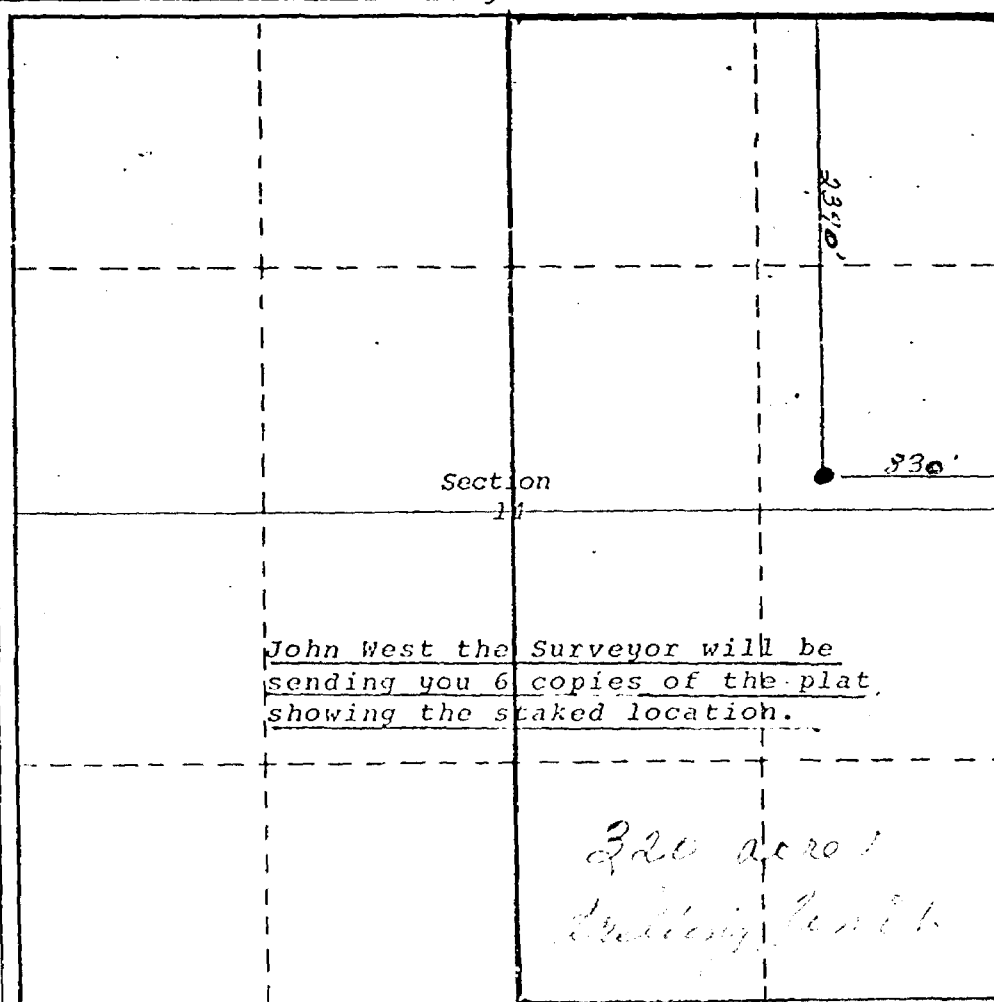
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Range 24 East

Township 22 South



CERTIFICATION

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Name **Neil W. Weldon**

Position
Mgr., Drlg & Prod.

Company
Southern Union Production Co.

Date
October 16, 1973

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Date Surveyed
October 18, 1973

Registered Professional Engineer or
an/or Land Surveyor

Certificate No.

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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. 5101

Order No. R- 4681

APPLICATION OF SOUTHERN UNION
PRODUCTION COMPANY FOR AN
UNORTHODOX GAS WELL LOCATION,
EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

BY THE COMMISSION:

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

NOW, on this day of November, 1973, the Commission,
a quorum being present, having considered the record and the recom-
mendations of the Examiner, and being fully advised in the premises,

FINDS:

*Case No. 5101 should be dismissed inasmuch
That the applicant's request for dismissal should be
granted as the application has been approved
administratively.*

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

That Case No. 5101 is hereby dismissed.

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