

1944: Application of RUBBER OIL
for an exception to the
"no-flare" provision of Order 201427.

Case No.

1855

Application, Transcript,
Small Exhibits, Etc.



BEFORE THE
OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION
Santa Fe, New Mexico
January 13, 1960

IN THE MATTER OF:)
)
Application of Humble Oil & Refining)
Company for an exception to the "no-)
flare" provision of Order R-1427.)
Applicant, in the above-styled cause,)
seeks a temporary exception to the)
"no-flare" provision of Order R-1427)
for five wells in the Bisti-Lower)
Gallup Oil Pool, San Juan County, New)
Mexico.)

Case 1855

BEFORE:
Honorable John Burroughs
Mr. A. L. Porter
Mr. Murray Morgan

TRANSCRIPT OF HEARING

MR. BRATTON: If the Commission please, Howard Bratton
on behalf of Humble. We ask that Case 1855 be dismissed.

MR. PORTER: Without objection, Case 1855 will be
dismissed.

STATE OF NEW MEXICO)
 : SS
COUNTY OF BERNALILLO)

I, ADA DEARNLEY, Court Reporter, do hereby certify that the foregoing and attached transcript of proceedings before the New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission at Santa Fe, New Mexico, is a true and correct record to the best of my knowledge, skill and ability.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF I have affixed my hand and notarial seal this 6th day of February, 1960.

Ada Dearnley
Notary Public-Court Reporter

My commission expires:

June 19, 1963.

OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

P. O. BOX 871

SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

January 15, 1960

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Mr. Howard Bratton
Harvey, Dow & Hinkle
Box 547
Roswell, New Mexico

Dear Mr. Bratton:

On behalf of your client, Humble Oil & Refining Company,
we enclose two copies of Order No. R-1567 in Case 1855,
issued by the Oil Conservation Commission this date.

Very truly yours,

A. L. PORTER, Jr.
Secretary-Director

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Enclosures

Copies to Hobbs & Layton OCS

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. 1855
Order No. R-1867

APPLICATION OF HUMBOLDT OIL &
REFINING COMPANY FOR A TEMPORARY
EXCEPTION TO THE "NO-FLARE" PRO-
VISION OF ORDER NO. R-1427 FOR
5 WELLS IN THE BISTI-LOWER GALLUP
OIL POOL, SAN JUAN COUNTY, NEW
MEXICO

ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

BY THE COMMISSION:

This cause came on for hearing at 9 o'clock a.m. on
January 13, 1960, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before the Oil Con-
servation Commission of New Mexico, hereinafter referred to as
the "Commission."

NOW, on this 15th day of January, 1960, the Commission,
a quorum being present, having considered the testimony presented
and the exhibits received at said hearing, and being fully ad-
vised 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 seeks a temporary exception to the
"no-flare" provision of Order No. R-1427 for 5 wells in the
Bisti-Lower Gallup Oil Pool, San Juan County, New Mexico.
- (3) That the applicant requested that Case No. 1855 be
dismissed.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

That Case No. 1855 be and the same is hereby dismissed.

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Case No. 1266
Order No. B-1267

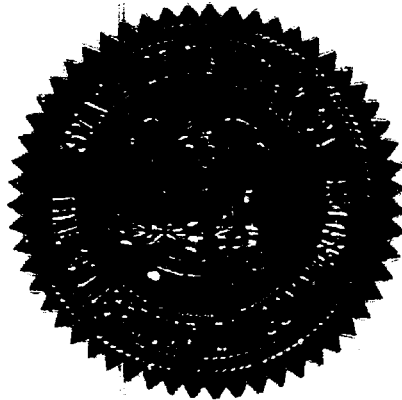
Done at Santa Fe, New Mexico, on the day and year herein-
above designated.

STATE OF NEW MEXICO
OIL COMMISSIONER COMMISSION

John H. Burroughs
JOHN BURROUGHS, Chairman

MURRAY E. MORGAN, Member

A. L. Foster, Jr.
A. L. FOSTER, JR., Member & Secretary



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(g) Extend the Atoka-Pennsylvanian Gas Pool to include:

TOWNSHIP 18 SOUTH, RANGE 26 EAST, NMPM,
Section 22: NE/4 & S/2

(h) Extend the Four Lakes-Pennsylvanian Pool to include:

TOWNSHIP 11 SOUTH, RANGE 34 EAST, NMPM,
Section 35: SE/4

(i) Extend the West Henshaw-Grayburg Pool to include:

TOWNSHIP 16 SOUTH, RANGE 30 EAST, NMPM,
Section 2: SW/4

(j) Extend the East Millman-Queen-Grayburg Pool to include:

TOWNSHIP 19 SOUTH, RANGE 29 EAST, NMPM,
Section 18: NW/4

(k) Extend the Shugart Pool to include:

TOWNSHIP 19 SOUTH, RANGE 31 EAST, NMPM,
Section 4: NE/4

CASE 1863:

Application of Phillips Petroleum Company for an exception to the no-flare provision of Order R-1427. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an exception to the no-flare provision of Order R-1427 for five wells in the Bisti-Lower Gallup Oil Pool, San Juan County, New Mexico.

CASE 1864:

Application of Skelly Oil Company for an exception to the no-flare provision of Order R-1427. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks a 30-day exception to the no-flare provision of Order R-1427 for 21 wells in the Bisti-Lower Gallup Oil Pool, San Juan County, New Mexico.

(over)

CONTINUED FROM EXAMINERS HEARING

CASE 1841:

Application of Sinclair Oil & Gas Company for the creation of a new pool in the Potash-Oil Area and for the promulgation of special rules and regulations pertaining thereto. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order creating a new pool for Yates production in the Potash-Oil Area as defined by Order R-111-A, said pool to comprise the SE/4 NW/4 of Section 16, Township 20 South, Range 33 East, Lea County, New Mexico, and such other acreage as may reasonably be proven productive from the same common source of supply. Applicant further seeks the promulgation of special rules and regulations for said pool as follows:

A. Cable Tool Casing Program.

Same as Order R-1078 for Teas Pool.

B. Rotary Tool Casing Program.

Surface casing set at 600 feet and cement circulated. No salt protection string. Production casing to be set through pay from 3146 feet to 3232 feet (approximately) with cement circulated to at least 50 feet into surface casing.

NEW CASE

CASE 1865

Application of Pan American Petroleum Corporation for an exception to the "no-flare" provision of Order R-1427. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks a 30-day exception to the "no-flare" provision of Order R-1427 for 7 wells in the Bisti-Lower Gallup Oil Pool and 4 wells in the Gallegos-Gallup Oil Pool, San Juan County, New Mexico.

TOWNSHIP 29 NORTH, RANGE 13 WEST, NMPM,
All of sections 27, 28, 33, & 34

- (m) Extend the South Los Pinos-Dakota Pool to include:

TOWNSHIP 31 NORTH, RANGE 7 WEST, NMPM,
Section 13: All
Section 14: S/2
Section 23: N/2

CASE 1861:

Southeastern New Mexico nomenclature case calling for an order for the creation of new pools and the extension of existing pools in Lea and Eddy Counties, New Mexico.

- (a) Create a new oil pool designated as the Fowler-Upper Silurian Pool and described as:

TOWNSHIP 24 SOUTH, RANGE 37 EAST, NMPM,
Section 22: E/2

- (b) Create a new oil pool designated as the West Crossroads-Devonian Pool, and described as:

TOWNSHIP 9 SOUTH, RANGE 36 EAST, NMPM,
Section 31: SE/4

- (c) Create a new gas pool designated as the East Hightower-Devonian Gas Pool, and described as:

TOWNSHIP 12 SOUTH, RANGE 34 EAST, NMPM,
Section 30: NW/4 NE/4

- (d) Create a new gas pool designated as the Teague-Abo gas Pool, described as:

TOWNSHIP 23 SOUTH, RANGE 37 EAST, NMPM,
Section 21: SE/4

- (e) Abolish the Baish-Abo Pool in Lea County, New Mexico, classified as an oil pool, described as:

TOWNSHIP 17 SOUTH, RANGE 32 EAST, NMPM,
Section 21: SE/4

- (f) Extend the Allison-Pennsylvanian Pool to include:

TOWNSHIP 9 SOUTH, RANGE 36 EAST, NMPM,
Section 1: NE/4

Section 26: E/2
Section 29: W/2
Section 30: All
Section 31: All
Section 32: All
Section 33: W/2
Section 35: E/2

TOWNSHIP 27 NORTH, RANGE 11 WEST, NMPM,

All of sections 1 thru 28 inclusive

Section 29: N/2

Section 30: N/2

All of sections 33 thru 36 inclusive

TOWNSHIP 27 NORTH, RANGE 12 WEST, NMPM,

All of sections 1 thru 18 inclusive and sections 23 & 24

Section 25: N/2

TOWNSHIP 27 NORTH, RANGE 13 WEST, NMPM,

Section 1: All

Section 2: E/2 & NW/4

Section 3: N/2

Section 4: N/2

Section 5: E/2

TOWNSHIP 28 NORTH, RANGE 10 WEST, NMPM,

All of sections 18, 19, & 30

TOWNSHIP 28 NORTH, RANGE 11 WEST, NMPM,

Section 12: All (partial)

All of sections 13 thru 16, 21 thru 28, and 31 thru 36

TOWNSHIP 28 NORTH, RANGE 12 WEST, NMPM,

All of sections 19 thru 22, and 26 thru 36

TOWNSHIP 28 NORTH, RANGE 13 WEST, NMPM,

Section 9: All (partial)

Section 10: All (partial)

All of sections 15 and 16

Section 17: E/2

Section 20: E/2

All of sections 21 thru 27

Section 28: E/2

Section 30: E/2

All of sections 34, 35, & 36

(j) Extend the Horseshoe-Gallup Oil Pool to include:

TOWNSHIP 31 NORTH, RANGE 16 WEST, NMPM,

Section 27: SE/4 SW/4

Section 28: SW/4 NE/4 & S/2 NW/4

(k) Extend the Verde-Gallup Oil Pool to include:

TOWNSHIP 31 NORTH, RANGE 14 WEST, NMPM,

Section 21: SE/4 SE/4

Section 22: SW/4 SW/4

Section 30: NE/4 SE/4

(l) Extend the Angels Peak-Dakota Pool to include:

TOWNSHIP 26 NORTH, RANGE 9 WEST, NMPM,

Section 7: All

Section 18: All

Section 19: N/2

Section 20: N/2

TOWNSHIP 26 NORTH, RANGE 10 WEST, NMPM,

Section 1: All

Section 2: E/2 & SW/4

Section 3: S/2

Section 23: E/2

Section 24: All

TOWNSHIP 26 NORTH, RANGE 11 WEST, NMPM,

All of sections 1 thru 4 inclusive

All of sections 9 thru 16 inclusive

All of sections 21, 22, & 23

Section 26: N/2

Section 27: N/2

Section 28: All

TOWNSHIP 27 NORTH, RANGE 9 WEST, NMPM,

Section 18: All

Section 19: All

TOWNSHIP 27 NORTH, RANGE 10 WEST, NMPM,

Section 6: W/2

All of sections 7, 8, 11, 13, 14, 17, 18, 19, 20,
& 21,

Section 23: E/2

Section 24: All

(b) Abolish the West Kutz-Dakota Pool for the purpose of joining pools producing from a common source of supply, to be known as the Angels Peak-Dakota Pool.

(c) Extend the Aztec-Fruitland Pool to include:

TOWNSHIP 29 NORTH, RANGE 10 WEST, NMPM,
Section 20: S/2

(d) Extend the Aztec-Pictured Cliffs Pool to include:

TOWNSHIP 30 NORTH, RANGE 10 WEST, NMPM,
Section 36: SE/4

(e) Extend the Ballard-Pictured Cliffs Pool to include:

TOWNSHIP 23 NORTH, RANGE 5 WEST, NMPM,
Section 6: W/2

TOWNSHIP 23 NORTH, RANGE 6 WEST, NMPM,
Section 1: SE/4

(f) Extend the Blanco-Pictured Cliffs Pool to include:

TOWNSHIP 29 NORTH, RANGE 9 WEST, NMPM,
Section 6: NE/4

(g) Extend the South Blanco-Pictured Cliffs Pool to include:

TOWNSHIP 27 NORTH, RANGE 7 WEST, NMPM,
Section 2: W/2

(h) Extend the Blanco-Mesaverde Pool to include:

TOWNSHIP 31 NORTH, RANGE 13 WEST, NMPM,
Section 3: E/2

(i) Extend the Angels Peak-Gallup Oil Pool to include:

TOWNSHIP 26 NORTH, RANGE 9 WEST, NMPM,
Section 7: E/2
Section 17: W/2
Section 18: NE/4
Section 20: NW/4

DOCKET: REGULAR HEARING JANUARY 13, 1960

Oil Conservation Commission 9 a.m., Mabry Hall, State Capitol, Santa Fe, NM

- ALLOWABLE: (1) Consideration of the oil allowable for February, 1960
- (2) Consideration of the allowable production of gas for February 1960 from six prorated pools in Lea County, New Mexico; also consideration of the allowable production of gas from seven prorated pools in San Juan, Rio Arriba and Sandoval Counties, New Mexico for February, 1960.

NEW CASES

- CASE 1850: In the matter of the hearing called by the Oil Conservation Commission on its own motion to consider amending Rule 303 of the Commission Rules and Regulations to provide an administrative procedure whereby the production from two or more separate common sources of supply may be commingled under certain conditions, particularly after separately metering or measuring the production from each of the said common sources of supply.
- CASE 1851: Application of Skelly Oil Company for an exception to the "no-flare" provision of Order R-1427. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks a 30-day exception to the "no-flare" provision of Order R-1427 for 24 wells in the Gallegos-Gallup Oil Pool, San Juan County, New Mexico.
- CASE 1852: Application of Southern Union Gas Company for an exception to the "no-flare" provision of Order R-1427. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks a 120-day exception to the "no-flare" provision of Order R-1427 for its Whitley Well No. 1, located in the NW/4 of Section 17, Township 24 North, Range 9 West, Bisti-Lower Gallup Oil Pool, San Juan County, New Mexico.
- CASE 1853: Application of Standard Oil Company of Texas for an exception to the "no-flare" provision of Order R-1427. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks a 60-day exception to the "no-flare" provision of Order R-1427 for 18 wells in the Bisti-Lower Gallup Oil Pool, San Juan County, New Mexico.
- CASE 1854: Application of Texaco Inc. for an exception to the "no-flare" provision of Order R-1427. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks a 60-day exception to the "no-flare" provision of Order R-1427 for three wells in the Bisti-Lower Gallup Oil Pool, San Juan County, New Mexico.

- CASE 1855: Application of Humble Oil & Refining Company for an exception to the "no-flare" provision of Order R-1427. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks a temporary exception to the "no-flare" provision of Order R-1427 for five wells in the Bisti-Lower Gallup Oil Pool, San Juan County, New Mexico.
- CASE 1856: Application of Sun Oil Company for an exception to the "no-flare" provision of Order R-1427. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks a 30-day exception to the "no-flare" provision of Order R-1427 for seven wells in the Bisti-Lower Gallup Oil Pool, San Juan County, New Mexico.
- CASE 1857: Application of Kenneth Murchison for an exception to the "no-flare" provision of Order R-1427. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks a temporary exception to the "no-flare" provision of Order R-1427 for two wells in the Bisti-Lower Gallup Oil Pool, San Juan County, New Mexico.
- CASE 1858: Application of The British-American Oil Producing Company for an exception to the "no-flare" provision of Order R-1427. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks a temporary exception to the "no-flare" provision of Order R-1427 for certain wells in the Bisti-Lower Gallup Oil Pool, San Juan County, New Mexico.
- CASE 1859: Application of Sunray Mid-Continent Oil Company for an exception to the "no-flare" provision of Order R-1427. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an exception to the "no-flare" provision of Order R-1427 for one well in the Gallegos-Gallup Oil Pool and twelve wells in the Bisti-Lower Gallup Oil Pool, both in San Juan County, New Mexico.
- CASE 1862: Application of Socony-Mobil Oil Company for an exception to the "no-flare" provision of Order R-1427. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks a temporary exception to the "no-flare" provision of Order R-1427 for seven wells in the Bisti-Lower Gallup Oil Pool, San Juan County, New Mexico.
- CASE 1860: Northwestern New Mexico nomenclature case calling for an order for the extension of existing pools in San Juan, Rio Arriba and Sandoval Counties, New Mexico:
- (a) Abolish the Huerfano-Dakota Pool for the purpose of joining pools producing from a common source of supply, to be known as the Angels Peak-Dakota Pool.

OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

P. O. BOX 871

SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

December 30, 1959

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Mr. R. R. McCarty
Humble Oil & Refining Company
P. O. Box 1600
Midland, Texas

Dear Mr. McCarty:

Reference is made to your request for administrative approval of an exception to the no-flare provision of Order No. E-1427 for 5 oil wells in the Bisti-Lower Gallup Oil Pool, San Juan County, New Mexico.

After studying your application, the Commission has determined that administrative approval cannot be granted. Accordingly, the case has been set for hearing before the Commission on January 13, 1960. It would be helpful if your witness in this case is prepared to testify concerning the present casinghead gas production from these wells and the disposition thereof.

Very truly yours,

A. L. PORTER, Jr.
Secretary-Director

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NEW MEXICO OIL & GAS COMMISSION, ATTN A L PORTER SEC=

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WITH REFERENCE TO CASE 1855 NOW SCHEDULED FOR HEARING BEFORE THE COMMISSION ON JANUARY 13, 1960, HUMBLE OIL & REFINING COMPANY RESPECTFULLY REQUESTS THAT THIS HEARING BE CANCELLED IN VIEW OF THE PROGRESS MADE TOWARD A CONNECTION TO EL PASO NATURAL GAS COMPANY. WE ARE CONFIDENT THAT OUR CONNECTIONS WILL BE COMPLETE PRIOR TO THE EXPIRATION OF THE EMERGENCY ORDER ON JANUARY 15=

R R MCCARTY HUMBLE OIL & REFINING CO MIDLAND TEXAS.

THE COMPANY WILL APPRECIATE SUGGESTIONS FROM ITS PATRONS CONCERNING ITS SERVICE

R. R. MCCARTY
MANAGER
J. S. BOLDRICK
OPERATIONS SUPERINTENDENT
H. L. HENSLEY
OPERATIONS SUPERINTENDENT
H. E. MEADOWS
ENGINEERING COORDINATOR
A. J. BEDFORD
ADMINISTRATIVE COORDINATOR

HUMBLE OIL & REFINING COMPANY

PRODUCTION DEPARTMENT WESTERN DIVISION

P. O. BOX 1600

MIDLAND, TEXAS

December 22, 1959

*Request for admin.
Case 1855*

New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission
Box 871
Santa Fe, New Mexico

Attention: Mr. A. L. Porter, Jr., Secretary-Director

Dear Sir:

We have just been informed by El Paso Natural Gas Company that a delay in delivery of material may prevent gathering of our Bisti-Lower Gallup casinghead gas until approximately January 15, 1960. In Order R-1427 prohibiting the flaring of gas after December 31, 1959, the Commission provided for granting of exceptions to prevent undue hardship.

Humble Oil & Refining Company operates five oil wells in the Bisti-Lower Gallup Pool: Bisti Oil Unit 1, State AY-1 and State AZ 1,2,3. Gas from these wells has been contracted to El Paso Natural Gas Company, and all of the necessary approvals have been obtained from the Federal Power Commission. It is felt that Humble has taken every possible step to conduct prudent operations and should not be penalized for delays over which this company has no control.

It is therefore requested that administrative exception to Order R-1427 be granted Humble's Bisti Oil Unit, State AY, and State AZ leases for a period of one month or until El Paso Natural Gas Company's installations are completed, whichever is earlier.

Sincerely yours,

HUMBLE OIL & REFINING COMPANY

R. R. McCarty
R. R. MCCARTY

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