<u>CASE 2994:</u> Application of SKELLY for a pressure maintenance project in San Juan County, New Mexico.

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BEFORE THE OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO 11 0

APPLICATION OF SKELLY OIL COMPANY FOR AN ORDER AUTHORIZING THE INJECTION OF WATER FOR PRESSURE MAINTENANCE AND SECONDARY RECOVERY PURPOSES INTO THE GALLUP (TOCITO) SANDSTONE FORMATION UNDERLY ING APPLICANT'S NAVAJO "P" AND "M" LEASES, SECTIONS 33, 34, 35 and 36 AND THE SOUTH HALFS OF SECTIONS 25 and 26, TOWNSHIP 32 NORTH, RANGE 17 WEST, SAN JUAN COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, AND FOR PROMULGATION OF SPECIAL RULES GOVERNING THE OPERATION OF SAID PROJECT.

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CASE NO. 2994

TO: THE HONORABLE OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO AND THE SECRETARY-DIRECTOR THEREOF

COMES NOW Skelly Oil Company, a \_\_\_\_\_ Delaware Corporation, authorized to do business in the State of New Mexico as owner and operator of those certain oil and gas leases commonly called Navajo "B" and Navajo "M" leases, executed by the Navajo tribe of Indians as Lessor, which leases cover the land described above, and hereby makes application to the New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission for an Order authorizing the injection of water for pressure maintenance and secondary recovery purposes into the Gallup (Tocito) Sandstone formation underlying the Navajo "P" and "M" leases, pursuant to Rule 701 of this Commission, and for promulgation of special rules governing the operation of said project.

In support of this application, applicant shows:

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There is attached hereto and made a part hereof, marked "Exhibit A," a plat showing the Navaho "P" and "M" leases, the location of all wells drilled thereon and all wells drilled within a radius of two miles from the proposed injection well hereinafter identified. Said Exhibit A also shows the location of all wells which are producing from the Gallup (Tocito) Sandstone formation.

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Said Exhibit A also shows the location of the proposed injection well for which authorization is requested herein, and the ownership of the respective leasehold interests within a radius of two miles from the proposed injection well.

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Exhibit A shows in outline the proposed project area which includes the following described lands, towit:

Sections 33, 34, 35, and 36; the South  $\frac{1}{2}$  of Section 25 and the South  $\frac{1}{2}$  of Section 26, Township 32 North, Range 17 West, San Juan County, New Mexico.

#### 3.

There is also attached hereto, made a part hereof, marked "Exhibit B," a diagrammatic sketch of the proposed injection well, which shows the total depth of the well, the size of production casing in the well, the depth to which the casing has been set, the estimated top of the cement used in setting the casing in the well, the perforated intervals in the well, and the completion date.

4.

The proposed injection well which has been drilled by applicant is the Navaho "B" Well No. 6, located approximately 660 feet from the south line and 660 feet from the east line of Section 35, Township 32 North, Range 17 West, San Juan County. There is attached hereto and made a part hereof an electric survey run in said well, marked "Exhibit C."

5.

Applicant proposes to inject water into its Navaho "P" 6 Well into the Gallup (Tocito) Sandstone producing formation at an interval ranging from 1303 to 1310 feet, such water to be injected at rates ranging from 90 to 125 barrels per day.

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Applicant has arranged to obtain the water for such injection from Humble Oil and Refining Company. If this application is granted and applicant later requests administrative approval pursuant to Rule 701 to enlarge the pressure maintenance project, applicant plans to obtain water from its own wells drilled into the Morrison formation.

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Applicant and The Cities Service Oil Company are the sole owners of the Navaho "P" and "M" leases, each owning a 50% interest and the Navajo Tribe of Indians is the sole royalty owner under said leases. Applicant has negotiated lease line pressure maintenance agreements by and between applicant and the operators of oil and gas leases to the south of Sections 34, 35 and 36. Applicant and said operators propose to institute pressure maintenance operations on a cooperative basis, with each operator continuing to operate its own leases.

8.

Applicant believes and asserts that it will be in the interest of conservation and the prevention of waste to inaugurate a water injection program for pressure maintenance and secondary recovery purposes as 5000 as possible by the injection of water into the injection well for which authority is requested, and that said project is in the interest of obtaining the greatest ultimate recovery of oil and gas from the Gallup (Tocito) Sandstone formation. Applicant therefore respectfully requests that its proposed pressure maintenance project be approved, that the area designated above be designated as the project area, that an allowable formula be fixed therefor, and in connection therewith applicant recommends the adoption of special field rules governing said project, as follows:

RULE 1. The project area of the Many-Rocks-Gallup Pressure Maintenance Project No. 1, hereinafter referred to as the Project, shall comprise the followingdescribed area:

Sections 33, 34, 35, and 36; the South  $\frac{1}{2}$  of Section 25 and the South  $\frac{1}{2}$  of Section 26, Township 32 North, Range 17 West, San Juan County, New Mexico.

RULE 2. The allowable for the Project shall be the sum of the allowables of the several wells within the project area, including those wells which are shut-in, curtailed, or used as injection wells. Allowables for all wells shall be determined in a manner hereinafter prescribed.

RULE 3. Allowables for injection wells may be transferred to producing wells within the project area, as may the allowables for producing wells which, in the interest of more efficient operation of the Project, are shut-in or curtailed because of high gas-oil ratio, pressure regulation, control of pattern or sweep efficiencies, or to observe changes in pressures or changes in characteristics of reservoir liquids or progress of sweep.

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RULE 4. The allowable assigned to any well which is shut-in or which is curtailed in accordance with the provisions of Rule 3, which allowable is to be transferred to any well or wells in the project area for production, shall in no event be greater than its ability to produce during the test prescribed by Rule 6, below, or greater than the current top unit allowable for the pool during the month of transfer, whichever is less.

RULE 5. The allowable assigned to any injection well on a 40-acre proration unit shall be top unit allowable for the pool.

RULE 6. The allowable assigned to any well which is shut-in or curtailed in accordance with Rule 3 shall be determined by a 24-hour test at a stabilized rate of production which shall be the final 24-hour period of a 72-hour test throughout which the well should be produced in the same manner and at a constant rate. The daily tolerance limitation set forth in Rule 502 I (a) of the General Rules and Regulations and any limiting gas-oil ratio for the pool shall be waived during such tests. The project operator shall notify the Commission and all offset operators in writing of the exact time and date such tests are to be conducted. The Commission and representatives of the offset operators may witness the tests.

RULE 7. The allowable assigned to each producing well in the Project shall be equal to the well's ability to produce or to top unit allowable for the pool; whichever is less.

RULE 8. Each month the project operator shall, within three days after the normal unit allowable for Northwest New Mexico has been established, submit to the Commission a Pressure Maintenance Project Operator's Report, on a form prescribed by the Commission, outlining thereon the date required, and requesting allowables for each of the several wells in the project as well as the total project allowable. The aforesaid Pressure Maintenance Project Operator's Report shall be filed in lieu of Form C-120 for the Project.

RULE 9. The Commission shall, upon review of the report and after any adjustments deemed necessary, calculate the allowable for each well in the project for the next succeeding month in accordance with these rules. The sum of the allowables so calculated shall be assigned to the project and may be produced from the wells in the project in any proportion.

RULE 11. The conversion of producing wells to injection, the drilling of additional wells for injection, and expansion of the project area shall be accomplished only after approval of the same by the Secretary-Director of the Commission. To obtain such approval, the project operator shall file proper application with the Commission, which application, if it seeks authorization to convert additional wells to injection or to drill additional injection wells shall be filed in accordance with Commission Rule 701-B and shall be accompanied by a statement that all offset operators to the proposed injection well have been furnished a complete copy of the application and the date of notification.

The Secretary-Director may approve the proposed injection well if, within 15 days after receiving the application, no objection to the proposal is received. The Secretary-Director may grant immediate approval, provided waivers of objection are received from all offset operators and from the State Engineer.

Expansion of the project area may be approved by the Secretary-Director of the Commission administratively when good cause is shown therefor. Therefore, applicant requests that this application be set down for hearing before an Examiner, after due notice as required by law.

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Respectfully submitted,

SKELLY OIL COMPANY BY GILBERT, WHITE & GILBERT

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MANY ROCKS-GALLUP POOL (Many Rocks-Gallup Pressure Maintenance Project No. 1) San Juan County, New Mexico

Order No. R-2541, Authorizing Humble Oil & Refining Company to Institute and Adopting Operating Rules for a Pressure Main-tenance Project in the Many Rocks-Gallup Pool, San Juan County, New Mexico, August 7, 1963.

Application of Humble Oil & Refining Com-pany for a Pressure Maintenance Project, San Juan County, New Mexico.

CASE NO. 2865 Order No. R-2541

#### ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

BY THE COMMISSION: This cause came on for hearing at 9 o'clock a.m. on July 24, 1963, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Daniel S. Nutter, Examiner duly appointed by the Oil Conservation Commission of New Mexico, hereinafter referred to as the "Commission," in accordance with Rule 1214 of the Commission Rules and Regulations.

NOW, on this 7th day of August, 1963, the Commission, a quorum being present, having considered the application, the evidence adduced, and the recommendations of the Examiner, Daniel S. Nutter, 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, Humble Oil & Refining Company, seeks authority to institute a pressure maintenance project in the Many Rocks-Galiup Oil Pool, San Juan County, New Mexico, by the injection of water into the Gallup formation initially through nine wells located or to be located within the proposed project area comprising the following-described acreage:

TOWNSHIP 31 NORTH, RANGE 17 WEST, NMPM Section 1: W/2, SE/4, and SW/4 NE/4 Section 2: NE/4 and NE/4 SE/4 Section 12: NE/4 and NE/4 NW/4

(3) That the applicant seeks the promulgation of special rules and regulations governing the proposed project similar to the special rules and regulations governing the Horseshoe-Gallup Pressure Maintenance Project No. 2 promulgated by Order No. R-1745.

Order No. R-1745. (4) That the applicant proposes that the special rules and regulations provide that any producing well in the project area which directly or diagonally offsets any well outside the project area producing from the same common source of supply shall not produce in excess of top unit allowable for the pool until January 1, 1964, or until the operators of such offset well outside the project area have instituted a pressure maintenance project in the area of such well, whichever shall first occur. (5) That the proposed pressure maintenance project is in the interest of conservation and should result in greater ulti-mate recovery of oil, thereby preventing waste.

mate recovery of oil, thereby preventing waste.

(6) That the proposed special rules and regulations should be adopted in order to prevent waste and protect correlative rights.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

(1) That the applicant, Humble Oil & Refining Company, is hereby authorized to institute a pressure maintenance pro-ject designated the Many Rocks-Gallup Pressure Maintenance Project No. 1 in the Many Rocks-Gallup Oil Pool, San Juan, County, New Mexico, by the injection of water into the Gallup formation through nine injection wells located or to be located

in Units F, J, L, and N of Section 1, Unit II of Section 2, and Unit B of Section 12, Township 31 North, Range 17 West, NMPM, San Juan County, New Mexico, with one injection well located on each of the above described units.

(2) That special rules and regulations governing the Many Rocks-Gallup Pressure Maintenance Project No. 1, San Juan County, New Mexico, are hereby promulgated as follows:

SPECIAL RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR THE MANY ROCKS-GALLUP PRESSURE MAINTENANCE PROJECT NO. 1

RULE 1. The project area of the Many Rocks-Gallup Pressure Maintenance Project No. 1, hereinafter referred to as the Project, shall comprise the following-described area:

TOWNSHIP 31 NORTH, RANGE 17 WEST, NMPM Section 1: W/2, SE/4, and SW/4 NE/4 Section 2: NE/4 and NE/4 SE/4 Section 12: NE/4 and NE/4 NW/4

RULE 2. The allowable for the Project shall be the sum of the allowables of the several wells within the project area, including these wells which are shut-in, curtailed, or used as injection wells. Allowables for all wells shall be determined in a manner hereinafter prescribed.

RULE 3. Allowables for injection wells may be transferred to producing wells within the project area, as may the allow-ables for producing wells which, in the interest of more effici-ent operation of the Project, are shut-in or curtailed because of high gas-oil ratio, pressure regulation, control of pattern or sweep efficiencies, or to observe changes in pressures or changes in characteristics of reservoir liquids or progress of sweep.

RULE 4. The allowable assigned to any well which is shut-in or which is curtailed in accordance with the provisions of Rule 3, which allowable is to be transferred to any well or wells in the project area for production, shall in no event be greater than its ability to produce during the test prescribed by Rule 6, below, or greater than the current top unit allow-able for the pool during the month of transfer, whichever in lose less.

RULE 5. The allowable assigned to any injection well on a 40-acre proration unit shall be top unit allowable for the pool.

RULE 6. The allowable assigned to any well which is shut-in or curtailed in accordance with Rule 3 shall be determined by a 24-hour test at a stabilized rate of production which shall be the final 24-hour period of a 72-hour test throughout which the well should be produced in the same manner and at a con-stant rate. The daily tolerance limitation set forth in Rule 502 I (a) of the General Rules and Regulations and any limit-ing gas-oil ratio for the pool shall be waived during such tests. The project operator shall notify the Commission and all offset operators in writing of the exact time and date such tests are to be conducted. The Commission and representatives of the offset operators may witness the tests. offset operators may witness the tests.

RULE 7. The allowable assigned to each producing well in RULE 7. The allowable assigned to each producing well in the Project shall be equal to the well's ability to produce or to top unit allowable for the pool, whichever is less; provided, however, that any producing well in the project area which directly or diagonally offsets a well outside the project area producing from the same common source of supply shall not produce in excess of top unit allowable for the pool until Janu-ary 1, 1964, or until the operators of such offset well outside the project area have instituted a pressure maintenance project in the area of such well, whichever shall first occur. Each producing well shall be subject to the limiting gas-oil ratio

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(MANY ROCKS-GALLUP (MANY ROCKS-GALLUP PRESSURE MAINTENANCE PROJECT NO. 1) POOL-Cont'd.)

(2,000 to 1) for the pool, except that any well or wells within the project area producing with a gas-oil ratio in excess of 2,000 cubic feet of gas per barrel of oil may be produced on a "net" gas-oil ratio basis, which net gas-oil ratio shall be de-termined by applying credit for daily average gas injected, if any, into the pool within the project area to such high gas-oil ratio well. The daily adjusted oil allowable for any well receiving gas injection credit shall be determined in accordance with the following formula:

$$Aadj = \frac{TUA \times Fa \times 2,000}{\frac{Pg - 1g}{Po}}$$

where:

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the well's daily adjusted allowable top unit allowable for the pool the well's acreage factor

 Fa = the well's acreage factor
Pg = average daily volume of gas produced by the well during the preceding month, cubic feet
Ig = the well's allocated share of the daily average gas injected during the preceding month, cubic feet
Po = average daily volume of oil produced by the well during the preceding month, barrels
In no event shall the amount of injected gas being credited to a well be such as to cause the net gas-oil ratio, Pg - Ig, Po to be less than 2,000 cubic feet of gas per barrel of oil

produced.

RULE 8. Credit for daily average net water injected into the pool through any injection well located within the project area may be converted to its gas equivalent and applied to any well producing with a gas-oil ratio in excess of two thousand cubic feet of gas per barrel of oil. Total credit for net water injected in the project area shall be the gas equivalent volume of the daily average net water injected during a one-month period. The daily average gas equivalent of net water injected shall be computed in accordance with the following formula:

$$Eg = (Vw inj - Vw prod) \times 5.61 \times \frac{Pa}{15.025} \times \frac{520^{\circ}}{Tr} \times \frac{1}{Z}$$

where:

Eg	=	Average daily gas equivalent of net water injected, cubic feet
Vw inj Vw prod	11 11	Average daily volume of water injected, barrels Average daily volume of water produced, barrels
5.61 Pa		Cubic foot equivalent of one barrel of water Average reservoir pressure at mid-point of the pay-zones of the pool in the project area, psig + 12.01, as determined from most recent survey
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RULE 9. Each month the project operator shall, within three days after the normal unit alowable for Northwest New Mexico has been established, submit to the Commission a Pres-sure Maintenance Project Operator's Report, on a form pre-scribed by the Commission, outlining thereon the data re-quired, and requesting allowables for each of the several wells in the project as well as the total project allowable. The afore-said Pressure Maintenance Project Operator's Report shall be filed in lieu of Form C-120 for the Project.

RULE 10. The Commission shall, upon review of the report and after any adjustments deemed necessary, calculate the allowable for each well in the project for the next succeeding month in accordance with these rules. The sum of the allow-ables so calculated shall be assigned to the project and may be produced from the wells in the project in any proportion except that no well in the project which directly or diagonally offsets a well outside the project producing from the same common source of supply shall produce in excess of top unit allowable for the pool until January 1, 1964, or until the oper-ators of such offset well outside the project area have instituted a pressure maintenance project in the area of such well, whicha pressure maintenance project in the area of such well, whichever shall first occur.

RULE 11. The conversion of producing wells to injection, the drilling of additional wells for injection, and expansion of the project area shall be accomplished only after approval of the same by the Secretary-Director of the Commission. To obtain such approval, the project operator shall file proper application with the Commission, which application, if it seeks authorization to convert additional wells to injection or to drill additional injection wells shall be filed in accordance with Commission Rule 701-B and shall be accompanied by a statement that all offset operators to the proposed injection well have been furnished a complete copy of the application and the date of notification.

The Secretary-Director may approve the proposed injection well if, within 15 days after receiving the application, no ob-jection to the proposal is received. The Secretary-Director may grant immediate approval, provided waivers of objection are received from all offset operators and from the State Engineer.

Expansion of the project area may be approved by the Secretary-Director of the Commission administratively when good cause is shown therefor.

(3) That jurisdiction of this cause is retained for the entry of such further orders as the Commission may deem necessary.

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

DEVERNOR JACK M. CAMPBELL CHAIRMAN

State of New Mexico

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STATE GEOLOGIET A. L. PORTER, JR. SECRETARY - DIREUTOR

March 13, 1964

Mr. Charles White Gilbert, White & Gilbert Attorneys at Law Box 787 Santa Fe, New Mexico

Re: Case No. 2994 Order No. <u>R-2664</u> Applicants

Skelly Oil Company

Dear Sir:

LAND COMMISSIONER

E. S. JOHNNY WALKER

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Enclosed herewith are two copies of the above-referenced Commission order recently entered in the subject case.

Very truly yours,

A. L. PORTER, Jr. Secretary-Director

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Carbon copy of order also sent to:

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OTHER Mr. Ron Jacobs, Mr. Frank Irby

## 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. 2948 Order No. R-2622

APPLICATION OF THE ATLANTIC REFINING COMPANY FOR A PRESSURE MAINTENANCE PROJECT, SAN JUAN COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

#### ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

## BY THE COMMISSION:

This cause came on for hearing at 9 c'clock a.m. on December 4, 1963, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Elvis A. Utz, Examiner duly appointed by the Oil Conservation Commission of New Mexico, hereinafter referred to as the "Commission," in accordance with Rule 1214 of the Commission Rules and Regulations.

NOW, on this 19th day of December, 1963, the Commission, a quorum being present, having considered the application, the evidence adduced, and the recommendations of the Examiner, Elvis A. Utz, 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, The Atlantic Refining Company, seeks authority to institute a pressure maintenance project in the Many Rocks-Gallup Oil Pool, San Juan County, New Mexico, by the injection of water into the Gallup (Tocito) formation initially through 14 wells located or to be located within the proposed project area comprising the following-described acreage:

> TOWNSHIP 31 NORTH, RANGE 16 WEST, NMPM Section 6: SW/4 SW/4Section 7: W/2 NE/4, SE/4 NE/4, NW/4, NW/4 SW/4, E/2 SW/4, and SE/4Section 8: SW/4Section 17: SE/4 NE/4, W/2 NE/4, NW/4, NW/4 SW/4, E/2 SW/4, and SE/4Section 18: E/2 NE/4 and NW/4 NE/4

(3) That the applicant seeks the promulgation of special rules and regulations governing the proposed project similar to

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the special rules and regulations governing the Many Rocks-Gallup Pressure Maintenance Project No. 1 promulgated by Order No. R-2541.

(4) That the applicant proposes that the special rules and regulations provide that the Atlantic-Navajo Well No. 17-5 located in the SE/4 SE/4 of Section 17, Township 31 North, Range 16 West, shall not produce in excess of top unit allowable for the pool until May 31, 1964, or until a Gallup pressure maintenance project has been instituted in the area offsetting said well outside the project area, whichever shall first occur.

(5) That the proposed pressure maintenance project is in the interest of conservation and should result in greater ultimate recovery of oil, thereby preventing waste.

(6) That the proposed special rules and regulations should be adopted in order to prevent waste and protect correlative rights.

## IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

(1) That the applicant, The Atlantic Refining Company, is hereby authorized to institute a pressure maintenance project designated the Many Rocks-Gallup Pressure Maintenance Project No. 2 in the Many Rocks-Gallup Oil Pool. San Juan County, New Mexico, by the injection of water into the Gallup (Tocito) formation through 14 injection wells located or to be located in Unit M of Section 6, Units B, H, L, and N of Section 7, Unit L of Section 8, Units C, E, G, I, K, and O of Section 17, and Units A and B of Section 18, all in Township 31 North, Range 16 West, NMPM, San Juan County, New Mexico, with one injection well located on each of the above-described units.

(2) That special rules and regulations governing the Many Rocks-Gallup Pressure Maintenance Project No. 2, San Juan County, New Mexico, are hereby promulgated as follows:

SPECIAL RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR THE MANY ROCKS-GALLUP PRESSURE MAINTENANCE PROJECT. NO. 2

<u>RULE 1.</u> The project area of the Many Rocks-Gallup Pressure Maintenance Project No. 2, hereinafter referred to as the Project, shall comprise the following-described area:

TOWNSHIP	31	NORTH, RANGE 16 WEST, NMPM
Section		SW/4 SW/4
Section	`7 <b>:</b>	W/2 NE/4, SE/4 NE/4, NW/4,
		NW/4 SW/4, $E/2 SW/4$ , and $SE/4$
Section	8:	SW/4
Section 1	17:	SE/4 NE/4, W/2 NE/4, NW/4,
		NW/4 SW/4, E/2 SW/4, and SE/4
Section 3	18:	E/2 NE/4 and NW/4 NE/4

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<u>RULE 2.</u> The allowable for the project shall be the sum of the allowables of the several wells within the project area, including those wells which are shut-in, curtailed, or used as injection wells. Allowables for all wells shall be determined in a manner hereinafter prescribed.

<u>RULE 3.</u> Allowables for injection wells may be transferred to producing wells within the project area, as may the allowables for producing wells which, in the interest of more efficient operation of the Project, are shut-in or curtailed because of high gas-oil ratio, pressure regulation, control of pattern or sweep efficiencies, or to observe changes in pressures or changes in characteristics of reservoir liquids or progress of sweep.

<u>RULE 4.</u> The allowable assigned to any well which is shut-in or which is curtailed in accordance with the provisions of Rule 3, which allowable is to be transferred to any well or wells in the project area for production, shall in no event be greater than its ability to produce during the test prescribed by Rule 6, below, or greater than the current top unit allowable for the pool during the month of transfer, whichever is less.

<u>RULE 5.</u> The allowable assigned to any injection well on a 40-acre proration unit shall be top unit allowable for the pool.

<u>RULE 6.</u> The allowable assigned to any well which is shut-in or curtailed in accordance with Rule 3 shall be determined by a 24-hour test at a stabilized rate of production which shall be the final 24-hour period of a 72-hour test throughout which the well should be produced in the same manner and at a constant rate. The daily tolerance limitation set forth in Rule 502 I (a) of the General Rules and Regulations and any limiting gas-oil ratio for the pool shall be waived during such tests. The project operator shall notify the Commission and all offset operators in writing of the exact time and date such tests are to be conducted. The Commission and representatives of the offset operators may witness the tests.

<u>RULE 7</u>. The allowable assigned to each producing well in the Project shall be equal to the well's ability to produce or to top unit allowable for the pool, whichever is less. Each producing well shall be subject to the limiting gas-oil ratio (2,000 to 1) for the pool, except that any well or wells within the project area producing with a gas-oil ratio in excess of 2,000 cubic feet of gas per barrel of oil may be produced on a "net" gas-oil ratio basis, which net gas-oil ratio shall be determined by applying credit for daily average gas injected, if any, into the pool within the project area to such high gas-oil ratio well. The daily adjusted oil allowable for any well receiving gas injection credit shall be determined in accordance with the following formula:

$$A_{adj} = \frac{TUA \times F_a \times 2,000}{\frac{P_g - I_g}{P_c}}$$

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where:

A <sub>adj</sub>	#	the well's daily adjusted allowable
TUA	H	top unit allowable for the pool
Fa	=	the well's acreage factor
₽g	*	average daily volume of gas produced by the well during the preceding month, cubic feet
Ig	<b>6</b> 2	the well's allocated share of the daily average gas injected during the preceding month, cubic feet
p	=	average daily volume of oil produced by the

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P<sub>o</sub> = average daily volume of oil produced by the well during the preceding month, barrels

In no event shall the amount of injected gas being credited to a well be such as to cause the net gas-oil ratio,  $\frac{P_g - I_g}{P_0}$ 

be less than 2,000 cubic feet of gas per barrel of oil produced.

<u>RULE 8.</u> Credit for daily average net water injected into the pool through any injection well located within the project area may be converted to its gas equivalent and applied to any well producing with a gas-oil ratio in excess of two thousand cubic feet of gas per barrel of oil. Total credit for net water injected in the project area shall be the gas equivalent volume of the daily average net water injected during a onemonth period. The daily average gas equivalent of net water injected shall be computed in accordance with the following formula:

$$E_g = (V_{w \text{ inj}} - V_{w \text{ prod}}) \times 5.61 \times \frac{P_a \times 520^\circ}{15.025} \times \frac{1}{T_a}$$

where:

E<sub>g</sub> = Average daily gas equivalent of net water injected, cubic feet

V<sub>w inj</sub> = Average daily volume of water injected, barrels

vw prod = Average daily volume of water produced, barrels

5.61 = Cubic foot equivalent of one barrel of water

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- Pa = Average reservoir pressure at mid-point of the pay-zones of the pool in the project area, psig + 12.01, as determined from most recent survey
- 15.025 = Pressure base, psi
- 520<sup>o</sup> = Temperature base of 60<sup>o</sup>F expressed as absolute temperature
- T<sub>r</sub> = Reservoir temperature of 92<sup>o</sup>F expressed as absolute temperature (552<sup>o</sup>R)
- Z = Compressibility factor from analysis of gas from the pool at average reservoir pressure, P<sub>a</sub>, interpolated from compressibility tabulation below:

Reservoir Pressure Z		Reservoir Pressure Z		Reservoir Pressure Z		
50	.9725	300	.8325	500	.6560	
100	.9465	350	.8030	600	.6135	
150	.9215	400	.7710	650	.5655	
200	.8885	450	.7220	700	.5220	
250	.8600	500	.6900	750	.4630	
				800	.3935	

<u>RULE 9.</u> Each month the project operator shall, within three days after the normal unit allowable for Northwest New Mexico has been established, submit to the Commission a Pressure Maintenance Project Operator's Report, on a form prescribed by the Commission, outlining thereon the data required, and requesting allowables for each of the several wells in the Project as well as the total Project allowable. The aforesaid Pressure Maintenance Project Operator's Report shall be filed in lieu of Form C-120 for the Project.

<u>RULE 10.</u> The Commission shall, upon review of the report and after any adjustments deemed necessary, calculate the allowable for each well in the Project for the next succeeding month in accordance with these rules. The sum of the allowables so calculated shall be assigned to the Project and may be produced from the wells in the project in any proportion except that the Atlantic-Navajo Well No. 17-5, located in the SE/4 SE/4 of Section 17, Township 31 North, Range 16 West, shall not produce in excess of the top unit allowable for the pool until May 31, 1964, or until a Gallup pressure maintenance project has been instituted in the area offsetting said well outside the project area, whichever shall first occur. -6-CASE No. 2948 Order No. R-2622

<u>RULE 11</u>. The conversion of producing wells to injection, the drilling of additional wells for injection, and expansion of the project area shall be accomplished only after approval of the same by the Secretary-Director of the Commission. To obtain such approval, the project operator shall file proper application with the Commission, which application, if it seeks authorization to convert additional wells to injection or to drill additional injection wells shall be filed in accordance with Commission Rule 701-B and shall be accompanied by a statement that all offset operators to the proposed injection well have been furnished a complete copy of the application and the date of notification.

The Secretary-Director may approve the proposed injection well if, within 15 days after receiving the application, no objection to the proposal is received. The Secretary-Director may grant immediate approval, provided waivers of objection are received from all offset operators and from the State Engineer.

Expansion of the project area may be approved by the Secretary-Director of the Commission administratively when good cause is shown therefor.

(3) That jurisdiction of this cause is retained for the entry of such further orders as the Commission may deem necessary.

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

> STATE OF NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

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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. 2865 Order No. R-2541

APPLICATION OF HUMBLE OIL & REFINING COMPANY FOR A PRESSURE MAINTENANCE PROJECT, 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 July 24, 1963, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Daniel S. Nutter, Examiner duly appointed by the Oil Conservation Commission of New Mexico, hereinafter referred to as the "Commission," in accordance with Rule 1214 of the Commission Rules and Regulations.

NOW, on this 7th day of August, 1963, the Commission, a quorum being present, having considered the application, the evidence adduced, and the recommendations of the Examiner, Daniel S. Nutter, 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, Humble Oil & Refining Company, seeks authority to institute a pressure maintenance project in the Many Rocks-Gallup Oil Pool, San Juan County, New Mexico, by the injection of water into the Gallup formation initially through nine wells located or to be located within the proposed project area comprising the following-described acreage:

TOWNSHIP	31	NORTH,	RAN	IGE 17	WEST	<u>NMPM</u>
Section	1:	W/2,	SE/4	, and	1  SW/4	NE/4
Section						
Section 2	12:	NE/4	and	ne/4	NW/4	

(3) That the applicant seeks the promulgation of special rules and regulations governing the proposed project similar to the special rules and regulations governing the Horseshoe-Gallup Pressure Maintenance Project No. 2 promulgated by Order No. R-1745. -2-CASE No. 2865 Order No. R-2541

(4) That the applicant proposes that the special rules and regulations provide that any producing well in the project area which directly or diagonally offsets any well outside the project area producing from the same common source of supply shall not produce in excess of top unit allowable for the pool until January 1, 1964, or until the operators of such offset well outside the project area have instituted a pressure maintenance project in the area of such well, whichever shall first occur.

(5) That the proposed pressure maintenance project is in the interest of conservation and should result in greater ultimate recovery of oil, thereby preventing waste.

(6) That the proposed special rules and regulations should be adopted in order to prevent waste and protect correlative rights.

#### IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

(1) That the applicant, Humble Oil & Refining Company, is hereby authorized to institute a pressure maintenance project designated the Many Rocks-Gallup Pressure Maintenance Project No. 1 in the Many Rocks-Gallup Oil Pool, San Juan County, New Mexico, by the injection of water into the Gallup formation through nine injection wells located or to be located in Units F, J, L, and N of Section 1, Unit H of Section 2, and Unit B of Section 12, Township 31 North, Range 17 West, NMPM, San Juan County, New Mexico, with one injection well located on each of the above-described units.

(2) That special rules and regulations governing the Many Rocks-Gallup Pressure Maintenance Project No. 1, San Juan County, New Mexico, are hereby promulgated as follows:

## SPECIAL RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR THE MANY ROCKS-GALLUP PRESSURE MAINTENANCE PROJECT NO. 1

<u>RULE 1</u>. The project area of the Many Rocks-Gallup Pressure Maintenance Project No. 1, hereinafter referred to as the Project, shall comprise the following-described area:

> TOWNSHIP 31 NORTH, RANGE 17 WEST, NMPM Section 1: W/2, SE/4, and SW/4 NE/4 Section 2: NE/4 and NE/4 SE/4 Section 12: NE/4 and NE/4 NW/4

<u>RULE 2</u>. The allowable for the Project shall be the sum of the allowables of the several wells within the project area, including those wells which are shut-in, curtailed, or used as injection wells. Allowables for all wells shall be determined in a manner hereinafter prescribed. -3-CASE No. 2865 Order No. R-2541

<u>RULE 3</u>. Allowables for injection wells may be transferred to producing wells within the project area, as may the allowables for producing wells which, in the interest of more efficient operation of the Project, are shut-in or curtailed because of high gas-oil ratio, pressure regulation, control of pattern or sweep efficiencies, or to observe changes in pressures or changes in characteristics of reservoir liquids or progress of sweep.

<u>RULE 4</u>. The allowable assigned to any well which is shut-in or which is curtailed in accordance with the provisions of Rule 3, which allowable is to be transferred to any well or wells in the project area for production, shall in no event be greater than its ability to produce during the test prescribed by Rule 6, below, or greater than the current top unit allowable for the pool during the month of transfer, whichever is less.

<u>RULE 5.</u> The allowable assigned to any injection well on a 40-acre proration unit shall be top unit allowable for the pool.

<u>RULE 6</u>. The allowable assigned to any well which is shut-in or curtailed in accordance with Rule 3 shall be determined by a 24-hour test at a stabilized rate of production which shall be the final 24-hour period of a 72-hour test throughout which the well should be produced in the same manner and at a constant rate. The daily tolerance limitation set forth in Rule 502 I (a) of the General Rules and Regulations and any limiting gas-oil ratio for the pool shall be waived during such tests. The project operator shall notify the Commission and all offset operators in writing of the exact time and date such tests are to be conducted. The Commission and representatives of the offset operators may witness the tests.

RULE 7. The allowable assigned to each producing well in the Project shall be equal to the well's ability to produce or to top unit allowable for the pool, whichever is less; provided, however, that any producing well in the project area which directly or diagonally offsets a well outside the project area producing from the same common source of supply shall not produce in excess of top unit allowable for the pool until January 1, 1964, or until the operators of such offset well outside the project area have instituted a pressure maintenance project in the area of such well, whichever shall first occur. Each producing well shall be subject to the limiting gas-oil ratio (2,000 to 1) for the pool, except that any well or wells within the project area producing with a gas-oil ratio in excess of 2,000 cubic feet of gas per barrel of oil may be produced on a "net" gas-oil ratio basis, which net gas-oil ratio shall be determined by applying credit for daily average gas injected, if any, into the pool within the project area to such high gas-oil ratio well. The daily adjusted oil allowable for any well receiving gas injection credit shall be

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determined in accordance with the following formula:

$$A_{adj} \approx \frac{TUA \times F_a \times 2,000}{\frac{P_g - I_g}{P_o}}$$

where:

 $A_{adj}$  = the well's daily adjusted allowable TUA = top unit allowable for the pool  $F_a$  = the well's acreage factor  $P_g$  = average daily volume of gas produced by the well during the preceding month, cubic feet

- Ig = the well's allocated share of the daily average gas injected during the preceding month, cubic feet
- P<sub>o</sub> = average daily volume of oil produced by the well during the preceding month, barrels

In no event shall the amount of injected gas being credited to a well be such as to cause the net gas-oil ratio,  $\frac{P_g - I_g}{P_o}$ , to

be less than 2,000 cubic feet of gas per barrel of oil produced.

<u>RULE 8.</u> Credit for daily average net water injected into the pool through any injection well located within the project area may be converted to its gas equivalent and applied to any well producing with a gas-oil ratio in excess of two thousand cubic feet of gas per barrel of oil. Total credit for net water injected in the project area shall be the gas equivalent volume of the daily average net water injected during a onemonth period. The daily average gas equivalent of net water injected shall be computed in accordance with the following formula:

$$E_g = (V_{w \text{ inj}} - V_{w \text{ prod}}) \times 5.61 \times \frac{P_a}{15.025} \times \frac{520^0 \times 1}{T_r} = \frac{1}{2}$$

where:

Eg

 Average daily gas equivalent of net water injected, cubic feet -5-CASE No. 2865 Order No. R-2541

- V<sub>w inj</sub> = Average daily volume of water injected, barrels
- V prod = Average daily volume of water produced, barrels
- 5.61 = Cubic foot equivalent of one barrel of water
- Pa = Average reservoir pressure at mid-point of the pay-zones of the pool in the project area, psig + 12.01, as determined from most recent survey
- 15.025 = Pressure base, psi
- 520<sup>0</sup> = Temperature base of 60<sup>0</sup>F expressed as absolute temperature
- Tr = Reservoir temperature of 92°F expressed as absolute temperature (552°R)
- Z = Compressibility factor from analysis of gas from the pool at average reservoir pressure, P<sub>a</sub>, interpolated from compressibility tabulation below:

Reservoir		Reservoir		Reservoir	
Pressure	Z	Pressure	Z	Pressure	$\mathbf{Z}$
50	.9725	300	.8325	500	.6560
100	.9465	350	.8030	600	.6135
150	.9215	400	.7710	650	.5655
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in the Project in any proportion except that no well in the Project which directly or diagonally offsets a well outside the Project producing from the same common source of supply shall produce in excess of top unit allowable for the pool until January 1, 1964, or until the operators of such offset well outside the project area have instituted a pressure maintenance project in the area of such well, whichever shall first occur.

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

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		BEFORE THE NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION Senta Fe, New Mexico February 19, 1964
	165	EXAMINER HEARING
nd CROWNOVER	co Phone 243-6691	IN THE MATTER OF: Application of Skelly Oil Company for a pressure maintenance project, San Juan County, New Mexico.
MEIER, WILKINS and CROWNOVER General Court Reporting Service	Albuquerque, New Mexico	BEFORE: ELVIS A. UTZ, EXAMINER <u>TRANSCRIPT OF HEARING</u> MR. UTZ: Case 2994.
DEARNLEY, MEIER, General C	Suite 1120 Simms Building	MR. DURRETT: Application of Skelly Oil Company for a pressure maintenance project, San Juan County, New Mexico. MR. WHITE: If the Examiner please, Charles White, of Gilbert. White & Gilbert, Santa Fe, appearing on behalf of the applicant. I also have associated with me, Ronald Jacobs of the Oklahoma Bar. We have one witness to be sworn at this time. (Witness sworn)
		MR. UTZ: Are there other appearances in this case?

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WILLIAM SINGLEY, having been called as a witness herein, having been first duly sworn, was examined and testified as follows: DIRECT EXAMINATION 243-6691 BY MR. WHITE: Will you state your name for the record, please? ତ୍ର Phone ? William Singley. А By whom are you employed and in what capacity? Q New Mexico А Skelly Oil Company, Senior Production Engineer. Have you previously testified before the New Mexico Q Oil Conservation Commission or one of its Examiners? erque, Yes, I am. A Albuqu Will you briefly state what Skelly is seeking? Q Skelly is seeking to convert its Navajo "P" Well Number А Six, which is presently producing from the Gallup formation, into вu Buildi a water injection well in order to maintain pressure in the reservoir and compensate for injection with Humble in this pressure Simms maintenance project to the Southeast of our lease. Suite 1120 MR. WHITE: If the Examiner please, the application includes Section 33 within the project area, and we would like to delete that section from the project area. (By Mr. White) Then, it is Skelly's intention to carry Q on this proposal in corporation with Humble? Yes, sir, it is. A

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Will you refer to Exhibit One and explain that, please? Q Exhibit One, Part A, is a map of the area containing Α all Gallup wells within a two mile radius of our proposed injection well. Some of the main features are it shows Humble's Navajo "G" 243-6601 lease to the southeast of ours, which is part of their Project One In the southeast, Township 31 North, Range 16 West, it shows the Phone ? area where Atlantic has requested a secondary recovery project, and to the southwest part of the map, it shows the northern part of the Horseshoe Field, which Humble had a secondary recovery Mexico project there. New Now, refer to Exhibit Two and explain this, please? ତ Refer back to Exhibit One, what is designated there in red on the Albuquerque, Humble Well Number Six? Skelly's Navajo "P" Number Six circled in red, that is А the proposed injection well. Humble's Navajo "G" Number 15 is the Building well that Humble proposes to convert to injection, compensates across these boundaries. Suite 1120 Simms That is the well circled in red, is it? Q Yes, it is. А Now, will you refer to Exhibit Two and explain your Q diagrammatic sketch? Exhibit Two is a diagrammatic sketch, proposed injection А well, which is the Navajo "P" Well Number Six, which was initially completed on June 30, 1963 in the Many Rocks-Gallup Field. It

shows that we set 27 feet of 7 5/8ths OD 17.7 spiral weld surface



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casing cemented with ten sacks of regular cement. It shows that we set 1357 feet of  $4\frac{1}{2}$  OD 9.5 pound, J55 production casing and that was cemented with 50 sacks of regular cement with six percent jell, 25 Gilsonate per sack, followed with 25 sacks of regular 243-6601 cement with 2 percent calcium chloride added. It shows we propose to run 1300 feet of 2 3/8ths OD, 4.7 pound J55 EUE tubing. We Phone. set a retrievable type production packer at approximately 1270 from the surface. It shows the perforations in this well to be from 1305 to 1310, which is in the Tocito sand. Mexico

Q Where do you obtain your source of water?

Well, initially, we will obtain our source of water Α from the Humble Oil and Refining Company. Humble presently has a ierque, Morrison water supply well which furnishes water to the Horseshoe  $lb_{\iota}$ Field, and that water is being used also in Humble's pressure maintenance project, and we will be furnished water by Humble for this well.

> What type of water will it be? Q

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Simms It is a saline water. There have been no recent chemical analyses of this water to our knowledge, but on the 1120 initial completion of this well, Humble took a test and it was Suite found to be salty.

> Do you treat the water and if so, with what? ରୁ

А We do not intend to treat the water. Humble is treating the water, furnishing it to us, they are having it treated with a bactericide at this time, and that is all I am sure of



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bactericide.

Q What will your rate of injection be?

A Our rate of injection into the Navajo "P" Number Six well, we will try to hold it within the lower limits of 90 barrels of water per day with an upper limit of 300 barrels of water per day. Probably maintain an average close to 150 barrels of water per day.

Q Under what pressure?

A Initially, we expect the water to be injected in a vacuum, and eventually the pressure may build up to a surface pressure of 600 pounds.

Q What will your average pressure be?

A Over the life of the field, probably be pretty close to 600 pounds.

Q In your opinion, will it be possible for any of the injected water to come in contact with any fresh water zones?

A No, it is not. These wells are drilled with air to the bottom and there are no water sands encountered.

to the bottom and there are no water sands encountered. Q Why do you consider it necessary for such a pressure maintenance program to be enitiated at this time? A It needs to be started at this time for four reasons

A It needs to be started at this time for four reasons. First, it is to maintain the reservoir pressure and prevent waste of the reservoir energy. Second, it will increase recoveries of oil. Three, it will extend the life of the field, and four, it will protect the correlative rights underneath our lease boundary.



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Do you recommend the adoption of any special pool rules? Q Yes, sir. I would recommend that project rules be Α 243-6691 granted similar to those granted by the Oil Commission in their Order Number R-2541 to Humble Oil and Refining Company. Phone . MR. WHITE: If the Examiner please, the application sets out the proposed special rules and they were to include all the rules as contained in the Order R-2541, but through inadvertence, New Mexico they failed to include all of Rule Seven of the order and Rule Eight of the order, and we would like to have all of Rule Seven and Rule Eight of Order R-2541 incorporated in the rules. Albuquerque, (By Mr. White) Briefly, what do you - -Q MR. UTZ: The Examiner will take note of R-2541 in formulating rules for this project. Building (By Mr. White) Were these exhibits prepared by you or Q under your direction? Simms They were prepared by and under my supervision. А MR. WHITE: At this time, we offer the exhibits, and Suite 1120 that concludes our direct.

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BY MR. UTZ:

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Yes, sir, I have.

Q Did the rules in Order R-2541 include pressurability



Have you discussed this project with the State Engineer?

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Q I see. Of that order, which we ask to be included in it. A Those same factors and other engineering data in those ର rules will be satisfactory for your project?

Yes, they did, they were included in Rule Eight.

Yes, they will. А

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I note that you are only asking for one injection well, ລ which will be the Number Six in the Southeast of the Southeast; is that correct?

Yes, sir, that's correct. Α

Southeast-Southeast, Section 35. Do you have plans Q for any further injections?

Yes, sir. We plan to expand our pressure maintenance А project as soon aswe can get an agreement on the royalty between our two leases. We have separate royalty under the two leases. Before we would be able to expand the project, we would have to make some sort of arrangements for that.

Then, this application at the present time is actually Q kind of a lease line agreement until you are ready to go on your full project?

Yes, sir, that's correct. А

Q All right.

MR. UTZ: Are there other questions of the witness?



# CROSS EXAMINATION

BY MR. IRBY:

Mr. Singley, this injection is to be through tubing. Is Q this tubing lined?

On our initial conversion of this one well, we do not А intend to line the tubing. When we go into a full field, we will probably make other arrangements.

What about fluids in the annulus, do you plan anything ରୁ Mexico on that, between the tubing and the casing?

It is planned that we will inhibit the fluid between the А annulus with some sort of chemical to make it non-corosive.

That will be inhibited water? Q

Yes, sir. А

Now, you said that you drilled by air, and encountered Q no water sands. Did you find any fluid or gas whatever?

No, sir, we did not. Â

Buildin Now, your application says in the Item Six that you may Q possibly later drill a well into the Morrison o to supply your Suite 1120 own water rather than taking it from Humble. Have you determined what that location would be?

Yes, sir. That location would be a twin- -That А location would be located in the Northwest-Northwest of Section 35 It will be approximately a twin to our Navajo "P" Number 11.

Q What was that township and range, please?



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Township 32 North, Range 17 West. Α Do you anticipate the water will have approximately the ର same chemical quality as that of Humble's Navajo "F" water well Number One? Phone 243-6691 Yes, sir, I do. А Now, this analysis of the Humble water well that I have Q is dated December 16, '59. Did you state in your testimony that no subsequent analysis had been taken? I do not know of any subsequent analysis having been Α Mexico made. I cannot say there have not been, but I do not know of any. General Court Reporting Service New Can you advise me at a later date as to whether this Q has been done? Albuquerque, I will do so. А And if so, furnish me a copy of the later analysis? Q I sure will. I will contact Humble on their analysis. А MR. IRBY: That is all the questions I have. Thank you. Suite 1120 Simms Building RECROSS EXAMINATION BY MR. UTZ: Did you state whether, or not you intended to put a Q pressure gauge on the annulus on your inhibited fluid so you can readily detect any leakage that might occur? We will put a gauge on our annulus. A Do you know of your knowledge what the general Q

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characteristics of the Morrison water in this area, or any other area of the basin?

A The Morrison water in this general area here is saline and it has a bacteria in the water which makes the water corosive. There are two methods of treating this type water. Both methods you put a bactericide in the water to eliminate that part of the corosion. Then, you can either line all your strings to prevent future corosion outside of bacteria, or you may add chemicals to make the water inert, and as I understand it, Humble and Atlantic each have taken different methods toward treating this water. New Humble does not add the other chemical to their water, and Atlantic does, or could be reversed. I am not sure on that. serque,

Generally speaking, is the Morrison water in the San Q Juan Basin pretty sorry water?

Yes, it is. It is sorry water. А

MR. UTZ: Are there any other questions?

## CROSS EXAMINATION

BY MR. DURRETT:

Mr. Singley, am I correct that you do not have a lease Q line agreement with Humble?

There is a lease line agreement with Humble. We were А waiting on this hearing to have it signed. On that lease line agreement, we agree to inject in our Navajo "P" Well Number Six and they agree to inject into their Navajo "G" Number 15.



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		ſ	Q But, it just hasn't been executed as of this date?
			A That's correct.
			Q Now, was the Humble pressure maintenance project
2			instituted with this Order No. R-2541, which would be approximately
		1695	sometime in August of '63?
/ER		243-6691	A Yes, it was.
101		Phone .	Q They are injecting in this well No. 16, is that correct,
VAN		hd	Section 2?
CRO		60	A They are injecting in Well No. 18 in Section 2 and
$) p_{i}$	oice	Mexico	also in Well No. 16 and 25 in Section 1, and we do not have any
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NI	ortin	r	purpose.
ILK	Court Reporting	Albuquerque,	Q Are you, or have you received any response from this
AA ,	Cour	Albug	Well Number 18?
IER	General	4	A No, sir.
ME	ഗ്	ling	Q Would you give us briefly some production history on
7 <b>Y</b> ,		Building	your Well Number Six, proposed injector? It is a producing oil
VLE		Simms	well?
ARI			A Yes, sir, it is a producing oil well. Well Number Six
DE		112(	was initially completed on June 30, 1963. At that time, it pumped
		Suite 1120	132 barrels in 24 hours. The well has now declined in the
			neighborhood of 70 barrels per day.
			MR. UTZ: What date was that completion?
			A June 30, 1963. The well is approximately eight months
			old.


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Ī		MR. UTZ: Declined to how much?
	Α	Approximately 70.
	ର୍	(By Mr. Durrett) Wouldn't you say this is a fairly
	substanti	al decline in a very short period of time?
243-6691	А	Yes, it is. I have made some reservoir calculations,
43-(	which ind	icate after the well gets below the proration capacity,
Phone 2	which is	70 barrels per day, which is top allowable, they would
$p_{h}$	decline a	t a rate of roughly 50 percent per year.
0	ଢ	Well, now, is that on all the wells that you have in
lexic	this area	?
New Mexico	А	That is roughly for all wells of the Many Rocks-Gallup
	Field.	
Albuquerque,	ଢ଼	Well Number Three, which is a direct west offset, what
Albug	is it mak	ing per day approximately now?
۲	A	We have not taken a recent test on that well.
ling	ତ୍	Do you have any idea what it is producing?
Building	А	No, I do not. I could not say.
l smn	ତ୍	Is it making its allowable or do you know that?

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Suite 1120 Sin I would say that it is probably in the neighborhood of А 70 or below at this time. Our lease has now gotten to where it has started to decline below the proration.

Do you feel that your wells on this lease will become Q what you would term stripper wells in the near future?

I would say that - -By stripper wells, I am not sure А of the Commission's definition of that. Is that wells that ane



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say, marginal in classification, down in the ten barrel limit; is that- -

Well, I am not sure of the Commission's definition of Q that either, but I would say- -

I would say within two years, perhaps the wells would А be approaching stripper classification without pressure maintenance Phone project of some sort.

Now, if you institute your pressure maintenace project, Q the Commission approves it, how long do you feel it would take for the wells to reach that catagory?

If we instigate a pressure maintenance project in the А near future, I would say our lease would not be classified in the stripper stage--I couldn't say in the individual wells, but our lease would probably not be what we would call stripper production for perhaps six years.

MR. DURRETT: Thank you.

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BY MR. UTZ:

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Is it your opinion that the oil in the vicinity of ହ your Number Six well can be recovered through other wells in the area?

Yes, sir, it is. We think they can be recovered from А



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our Navajo "P" Number Three, and Number 12, and some of it be recovered by our Navajo "P" Number Seven. Q As well as some of it from Humble's Number 11? А Yes, sir. MR. UTZ: Are there other questions of the witness? The witness may be excused. Are there statements in this case? The case will be taken under advisement. STATE OF NEW MEXICO Ő New COUNTY OF BERNALILLO ď I, ROY D. WILKINS, Notary Public in and for the County Albuquerqi 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 Building same is a true and correct record of the said proceedings, to the best of my knowledge, skill, and ability. WITNESS my Hand and Seal of Office, this 29th day of Suite 1120 February, 1964. NOTARY PUBLIC My Commission Expires: I do mereby certify that the foregoing is a complete record of the proceedings in September 6, 1967. the Exercises hearing of Case No. 2.9.9.4. 0.1 2:0 19 6 . Examiner 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. 2994 Order No. R-2664

APPLICATION OF SKELLY OIL COMPANY FOR A PRESSURE MAINTENANCE PROJECT, 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 February 19, 1964, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner Elvis A. Utz.

NON, on this <u>13th</u> day of March, 1964, 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, Skelly Oil Company, seeks authority to institute a pressure maintenance project in the Many Rocks-Gallup Oil Pool, San Juan County, New Mexico, by the injection of water into the Gallup (Tocito) Sandstone formation underlying its Navajo "P" and "M" Leases in Sections 25, 26, 34, 35, and 36, Township 32 North, Range 17 West, NMPM, San Juan County, New Mexico, initially through its Navajo "P" Well No. 6 located in Unit P of said Section 35.

(3) That the applicant seeks the promulgation of special rules and regulations governing the proposed project similar to the special rules and regulations governing the Many Rocks-Gallup Pressure Maintenance Project No. 1 promulgated by Order No. R-2541.

(4) That the proposed pressure maintenance project is in the interest of conservation and should result in greater ultimate recovery of oil, thereby preventing waste.

(5) That the proposed special rules and regulations should be adopted in order to prevent waste and protect correlative rights.

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## IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

(1) That the applicant, Skelly Oil Company, is hereby authorized to institute a pressure maintenance project designated the Many Rocks-Gallup Pressure Maintenance Project No. 3 in the Many Rocks-Gallup Oil Pool, San Juan County, New Mexico, by the injection of water into the Gallup (Tocito) Sandstone formation initially through its Navajo "P" Well No. 6 located in Unit P of Section 35, Township 32 North, Range 17 West, NMPM, San Juan County, New Mexico.

(2) That special rules and regulations governing the Many Rocks-Gallup Pressure Maintenance Project No. 3, San Juan County, New Mexico, are hereby promulgated as follows:

## SPECIAL RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR THE MANY ROCKS-GALLUP PRESSURE MAINTENANCE PROJECT NO. 3

<u>RULE 1</u>. The project area of the <u>Many</u> Rocks-Gallup Pressure Maintenance Project No. 3, hereinafter referred to as the Project, shall comprise the following-described area:

> SAN JUAN COUNTY, NEW MEXICO <u>TOWNSHIP 32 NORTH, RANGE 17 WEST, NMPM</u> Section 26: W/2 SW/4 Section 34: NE/4, NE/4 NW/4, and N/2 JE/4 Section 35: NW/4 and S/2

<u>RULE 2.</u> The allowable for the Project shall be the sum of the allowables of the several wells within the project area, including those wells which are shut-in, curtailed, or used as injection wells. Allowables for all wells shall be determined in a manner hereinafter prescribed.

<u>RULE 3.</u> Allowables for injection wells may be transferred to producing wells within the project area, as may the allowables for producing wells which, in the interest of more efficient operation of the Project, are shut-in or curtailed because of high gas-oil ratio, pressure regulation, control of pattern or sweep efficiencies, or to observe changes in pressures or changes in characteristics of reservoir liquids or progress of sweep.

<u>RULE 4.</u> The allowable assigned to any well which is shut-in or which is curtailed in accordance with the provisions of Rule 3, which allowable is to be transferred to any well or wells in the project area for production, shall in no event be greater than its ability to produce during the test prescribed by Rule 6, below, or greater than the current top unit allowable for the pool during the month of transfer, whichever is less. -3-CASE No. 2994 Order No. R-2664

<u>RULE 5.</u> The allowable assigned to any injection well on a 40-acre proration unit shall be top unit allowable for the pool.

<u>RULE 6</u>. The allowable assigned to any well which is shut-in or curtailed in accordance with Rule 3 shall be determined by a 24-hour test at a stabilized rate of production which shall be the final 24-hour period of a 72-hour test throughout which the well should be produced in the same manner and at a constant rate. The daily tolerance limitation set forth in Rule 502 I (a) of the General Rules and Regulations and any limiting gas-oil ratio for the pool shall be waived during such tests. The project operator shall notify the Commission and all offset operators in writing of the exact time and date such tests are to be conducted. The Commission and representatives of the offset operators may witness the tests.

<u>RULE 7.</u> The allowable assigned to each producing well in the Project shall be equal to the well's ability to produce or to top unit allowable for the pool, whichever is less. Each producing well shall be subject to the limiting gas-oil ratio (2,000 to 1) for the pool, except that any well or wells within the project area producing with a gas-oil ratio in excess of 2,000 cubic feet of gas per barrel of oil may be produced on a "net" gas-oil ratio basis, which net gas-oil ratio shall be determined by applying credit for daily average gas injected, if any, into the pool within the project area to such high gas-oil ratio well. The daily adjusted oil allowable for any well receiving gas injection credit shall be determined in accordance with the following formula:

$$A_{adj} = \frac{TUA \times F_a \times 2,000}{\frac{P_g - I_g}{P_0}}$$

where:

 $A_{adj}$  = the well's daily adjusted allowable TUA = top unit allowable for the pool  $F_a$  = the well's acreage factor

- Pg = average daily volume of gas produced by the well during the preceding month, cubic feet
- Ig = the well's allocated share of the daily average gas injected during the preceding month, cubic feet
- P = average daily volume of oil produced by the well during the preceding month, barrels

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In no event shall the amount of injected gas being credited to a well be such as to cause the net gas-oil ratio,  $P_g - I_g$ , to

be less than 2,000 cubic foot of gas per barrel of oil produced.

<u>RULE 8.</u> Credit for daily average not water injected into the pool through any injection well located within the project area may be converted to its gas equivalent and applied to any well producing with a gas-oil ratio in excess of two thousand cubic feet of gas per barrel of oil. Total credit for net water injected in the project area shall be the gas equivalent volume of the daily average net water injected during a onemonth period. The daily average gas equivalent of net water injected shall be computed in accordance with the following formula:

 $E_{g} = (V_{w \text{ inj}} - V_{w \text{ prod}}) \times 5.61 \times \frac{P_{a}}{15.025} \times \frac{520^{\circ} \times 1}{T_{r}}$ 

where:

- Eg = Average daily gas equivalent of net water injected, cubic feet
- V<sub>w</sub> inj Average daily volume of water injected, barrels
- V prod Average daily volume of water produced, barrels
- 5.61 = Cubic foot equivalent of one barrel of water
- P<sub>a</sub> = Average reservoir pressure at mid-point of the pay-zones of the pool in the project area, psig + 12.01, as determined from most recent survey

15.025 = Pressure base, psi

- 520<sup>0</sup> = Temperature base of 60<sup>0</sup>F expressed as absolute temperature
- **P**<sub>r</sub> = Reservoir temperature of 92<sup>o</sup>F expressed as absolute temperature (552<sup>o</sup>R)
- 2 = Compressibility factor from analysis of gas from the pool at average reservoir pressure, P<sub>a</sub>, interpolated from compressibility tabulation below:

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<u>RULE 9.</u> Auch someb the project operator shall, within three days after the normal unit allowable for Northwest how Mexico has been established, submit to the Consission a Pressure Maintenance Project Operator's R port, on a form prescribed by the Commission, outlining thereon the data required, and requesting allowables for each of the several wells in the Project as well as the total Project allowable. The aforesaid Pressure Maintenance Project Operator's Report shall be filed in lieu of Porm C-120 for the Project.

<u>RULE 10.</u> The Commission shall, upon review of the report and after any adjustments domad necessary, calculate the allowable for each well in the Project for the next succeeding month in accordance with these rules. The sum of the allowables so calculated shall be assigned to the project and may be produced from the wells in the Project in any proportion.

<u>RULE 11.</u> The conversion of producing wells to injection, the drilling of additional wells for injection, and expansion of the project area shall be accomplished only after approval of the same by the Secretary-Director of the Commission. To obtain such approval, the project operator shall file proper application with the Commission, which application, if it seeks authorization to convert additional wells to injection or to drill additional injection wells shall be filed in accordance with Commission Rule 701-B and shall be accompanied by a statement that all offset operators to the proposed injection well have been furnished a complete copy of the application and the date of notification.

The Socretary-Director may approve the proposed injection well if, within 15 days after receiving the application, no objection to the proposal is received. The Secretary-Director may grant immediate approval, provided waivers of objection are received from all offset operators and from the State Engineer.

Expansion of the project area may be approved by the Secretary-Director of the Commission administratively when good cause is shown therefor. -6-CASE No. 2994 Order No. R-2664

(3) That jurisdiction of this cause is retained for the entry of such further orders as the Commission may deem necessary.

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

> STATE OF NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

K M. CAMPBELL, Chairman Л

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DOCKET NO. 6-64

DOCKET: EXAMINER HEARING - WEDNESDAY - FEBRUARY 19, 1964

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 2991: In the matter of the hearing called by the Oil Conservation Commission on its own motion to permit Dwight L. Smith and all other interested parties to appear and show cause why the Walker Well No. 1, located 2290 feet from the South line and 500 feet from the East line of Section 21, Township 15 South, Range 11 East, Otero County, New Mexico, should not be plugged in accordance with a Commission-approved plugging program.
- CASE 2992: Application of Co solidated Oil & Gas, Inc., for an unorthodox location, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval of the unorthodox location of their Hoyt Well No. 3-5, located 1850 feet from the North line and 11 0 feet from the West line of Section 5, Township 26 North, Range 4 West, Blanco Me averde Pool, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico.
- CASE 2993: Application of Sinclair Oil & Cas Company for a unit agreement, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval of the Southwest Jal Unit Area comprising 6401 acres, more or less, of State, Federal and fee lands in Townsnips 25 and 26 South, Range 36 East, Lea County, New Mexico.
- CASE 2994: Application of Skelly Oil Company for a pressure maintenance project, San Juan County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the abovestyled cause, seeks authority to institute a pressure maintenance project in the Gallup formation underlying its Navajo "P" and "M" leases in Sections 25, 26, 33, 34, 35, and 36, Township 32 North, Range 17 West, Many Rocks-Gallup Oil Pool, San Juan County, New Mexico. Initial injection will be through applicant's Navajo "P" Well No.6 located in Unit P of said Section 35. Applicant further seeks the promulgation of special rules governing the operation of said project.
- **CASE 2995:** Application of Deane H. Stoltz for two non-standard oil proration units, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the abovestyled cause, seeks approval of two 80-acre non-standard oil proration units in the North Bagley-Upper Pennsylvanian Pool, Lea County, New Mexico, the first to comprise the SE/4 NE/4 and NE/4 SE/4 of Section 22, Township 11 South, Range 33 East, to be dedicated to a well completed in the SE/4 NE/4 of Section 22; the second to comprise the SW/4 NE/4 and the NW/4 SE/4 of

<u>CASE 2995</u>: said Section 22 to be dedicated to a well to be re-entered (Cont.) in the SW/4 NE/4 of said Section 22.

# CASE 2984: (Continued from the February 5th Examiner Hearing)

Application of The Pure Oil Company and Continental Carbon Company to utilize natural gas in a carbon black plant, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicants, in the above-styled cause, seek authority to utilize approximately 7 million cubic feet of Morrow gas per day in the Continental Carbon Company carbon black plant near Eunice, New Mexico, said gas to be produced from The Pure Oil Company Wilson Deep Unit Well No. 1, located in the SE/4 NW/4 of Section 13, Township 21 South, Range 34 East, Lea County, New Mexico.

# CASE 2996: Application of Nearburg & Ingram for the creation of a new gas pool and for special temporary pool rules, Roosevelt County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks the creation of a new gas pool for San Andres production in Sections 10, 11, 12, 13, 14 and 15, Township 8 South, Range 37 East, Roosevelt County, New Mexico, and for the establishment of temporary rules therefor, including provisions for 320 acre spacing.

## CASE 2739: (Reopened)

In the matter of Case No. 2739 being reopened pursuant to the provisions of Order No. R-2421, which order established temporary 80-acre proration units for the North Vacuum-Abo Pool, Lea County, New Mexico, for a period of one year. All interested parties may appear and show cause why said pool should not be developed on 40-acre proration units.

### CASE 2740: (Reopened)

In the matter of Case No. 2740 being reopened pursuant to the provisions of Order No. R-2422, which order established temporary 80-acre proration units for the Vacuum-Wolfcamp Oil Pool, Lea County, New Mexico, for a period of one year. All interested parties may appear and show cause why said pool should not be developed on 40-acre proration units.

## CASE 2741: (Reopened)

In the mattter of Case No. 2741 being reopened pursuant to the provisions of Order No. R-2423, which order established temporary 80-acre proation units for the Vacuum-Devonian Oil Pool, Lea County, New Mexico, for a period of one year. All interested parties may appear and show cause why said pool should not be developed on 40-acre proration units.

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# CASE 2742: (Reopened)

In the matter of Case No. 2742 being reopened pursuant to the provisions of Order No. R-2424, which order established temporary 80-acre oil proration units for the Fowler-Blinebry Oil Pool, Lea County, New Mexico, for a period of one year. All interested parties may appear and show cause why said pool should not be developed on 40-acre proration units.

## CASE 2743: (Reopened)

In the matter of Case No. 2743 being reopened pursuant to the provisions of Order No. R-2425, which order established temporary 320-acre spacing units for the Fowler-Tubb Gas Fool, Lea County, New Mexico, for a period of one year. All interested parties may appear and show cause why said pool should not be developed on 160-acre spacing units.

# CASE 2744: (Reopened)

In the matter of Case No. 2744 being reopened pursuant to the provisions of Order No. R-2426, which order established temporary 320-acre spacing units for the Fowler-Paddock Gas Pool, Lea County, New Mexico, for a period of one year. All interested parties may appear and show cause why said pool should not be developed on 160-acre spacing units.

- CASE 2997: Application of Socony Mobil Oil Company, Inc., for the abolishment of an existing pool and the creation of two new oil pools, and for special temporary pool rules, Lea County, New Mexico, Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks the creation of a new oil pool for lower Pennsylvanian production in Section 26, Township 17 South, Range 34 East, Lea County, New Mexico, and for the establishment of temporary rules therefor, including provisions for 80-acre units and for the establishment of a gas-oil ratio limitation of 6000 cubic feet of gas per barrel of oil produced. Said pool would be created by the abolishment of the Vacuum-Pennsylvanian Pool in Township 17 South, Range 34 East, and the subsequent creation of the Vacuum Upper Pennsylvanian and Vacuum Lower Pennsylvanian Pools.
- CASE 2998: Application of Tenneco Oil Company for a gas well-water injection well, San Juan County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the abovestyled cause, seeks authority to dually complete its Central Totah Unit Well No. 24 located in Unit O of Section 11, Township 28 North, Range 13 West, San Juan County, New Mexico, to produce gas from the Basin-Dakota Gas Pool through 1 ½ inch tubing and to inject water into the Gallup formation, Totah-Gallup Oil Pool, through 2 1/16 inch tubing with separation of the zones by a packer set at 5766 feet.

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CASE 2999: Application of Phillips Petroleum Company for two nonstandard oil proration units, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks the approval of an 80-acre non-standard oil proration unit for each of two pools, the Vacuum Wolfcamp Pool and the North Vacuum Abo Pool, said units to comprise the NW/4 SW/4 and the SW/4 NW/4 of Section 31, Township 17 South, Range 35 East, Lea County, New Mexico, to be dedicated to applicant's Santa Fe Well No. 87, located 2310 feet from the South line and 660 feet from the West line of said Section 31.

CASE 3000: Application of Franklin, Aston & Fair Inc. for the creation of a San Andres Gas Pool and for special pool rules, Roosevelt County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the abovestyled cause, seeks the creation of a new San Andres Gas Pool comprising all or portions of Sections 22, 23, 25, 26, 27 and 28, Township 7 South, Range 35 East, and the establishment of special pool rules, including 320 acre spacing and fixed well locations, Roosevelt County, New Mexico.

#### CASE 2979: (C

# (Continued from February 5, 1964, Examiner Hearing)

Application of Pan American Petroleum Corporation for salt water disposal, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks authority to dispose of produced salt water into the Abo formation through its U.S.A. Malco Refineries 'G' Well No. 13, located 2302 feet from the South line and 1650 feet from the West line of Section 10, Township 18 South, Range 27 East, Empire Abo Pool, Eddy County, New Mexico.

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February 28, 1964

Re: OCC Case 2994

Mr. J. W. George Assistant District Superintendent Skelly O<u>il</u> Company Drawer 510 Farmington, New Mexico

Dear Mr. George:

Receipt of your letter of February 26, 1964 and the attached recent analysis of the water from Humble Oil and Refining Company's Havajo F waterflood source well 1 is gratefully acknowledged.

Very truly yours,

S. E. Reynolds State Engineer

FEI/ma cc-A. L. Porter, Jr. By:

Frank E. Irby Chief Water Rights Div. MAIN OFFICE OCC

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Drawer 510 Farmington, New Mexico February 26, 1964

> Re: Morrison Water Analysis Many Rocks Gallup Field Area San Juan County, New Maxieo

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Hr. Frank E. Irby New Maxieo State Engineer Santa Pe, New Maxieo

Dear Mr. Irby:

In response to your request to Mr. William Singley of this office at the Oil Conservation Commission Hearing of Case 2994 regarding a unter analysis from Humble Oil & Refining Company's Morrison Water Supply well, attached is a copy of an analysis run by Core Laberatories on August 26, 1963.

If you should require any additional data concerning this matter please contact us.

Yours very traly, SHELLY OIL COMPANY

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Assistant District Superintendent

WS:gm Attach: (2) cd: Mr. Elvis A. Uts Oil Conservation Commission State Land Office Building Senta Fe, New Mexico

bcc: Mr. H. E. Aab - also attached is an analysis of the Gallup Water.

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All analyses except iron determination performed on a filtered sample.

# SKELLY OIL COMPANY

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EXHIBIT B DIAGRAMMATIC SKETCH PROPOSED INJECTION

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 G.L. Elevation 5401. All measurements from D.F.Elevation 5405.
Ranione joint of 7 5/8" 17.7<sup>#</sup>Spiral Weld surface casing set at 27. Cemented to surface w/10 sacks regular.
Calculated cement top is 329' assuming 100% theoretical fill up.

Ran 43 joints of 4 1/2" 9.5<sup>#</sup> J-55 production casing set at 1357. Cemented w/50 sacks regular, 6% gel, 25<sup>#</sup>gilsonite/sack followed by 25 sacks regular, 2% CaCl<sub>2</sub>.

2 3/8" 4.7<sup>#</sup> J-55 EUE tubing to be set at approximately 1300<sup>1</sup>.

Retrievable type production packer to be set at approximately 1270'. Perforated Gallup Tocito Sand interval from 1303' to 1310' with 4 jet shots/foot.

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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. 2994 Order No. R-

APPLICATION OF SKELLY OIL COMPANY FOR A PRESSURE MAINTENANCE PROJECT, 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 February 19, 1964, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner Elvis A. Utz. Examinor-duly appointed by the Oil Conservation Commission of New Mexico, hereinafter referred to as the "Commission,"-in-accordance with Rule 1214 of the Commission Rules and Regulations.

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, Skelly Oil Company, seeks authority to institute a pressure maintenance project in the Many Rocks-Gallup Oil Pool, San Juan County. New Mexico, by the injection of water into the Gallup (Tocito) Sandstone formation underlying its Navajo "P" and "M" Leases in Sections 25, 26, 34, 35, and 36, Township 32 North, Range 17 West, NMPM, San Juan County, New Mexico, initially through its Navajo "P" Well No. 6 located in Unit P of said Section 35.

(3) That the applicant seeks the promulgation of special rules and regulations governing the proposed project similar to the special rules and regulations governing the Many Rocks-Gallup Prossure Maintenance Project No. 1 promulgated by Order No. R-2541. -2-CASE No. 3865 2994 Order No. R-3566k

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(4) That the applicant proposes that the special rules and regulations provide that any producing well in the project area which directly or diagonally offsets any well outside the project area producing from the same common source of supply shall not produce in excess of top unit allowable for the pool until January 1, 1964, or until the operators of such offset well outside the project area have instituted a pressure maintenance project in the area of such well, whichever shall first occur.

(5) That the proposed pressure maintenance project is in the interest of conservation and should result in greater ultimate recovery of oil, thereby preventing waste.

(6) That the proposed special rules and regulations should be adopted in order to prevent waste and protect correlative rights.

### IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

(1) That the applicant, Skelly Oil Company, is hereby authorized to institute a pressure maintenance project designated the Many Rocks-Gallup Pressure Maintenance Project No. 3 in the Many Rocks-Gallup Oil Pool, San Juan County, New Mexico, by the injection of water into the Gallup (Tocito) Sandstone formation underlying its Navajo "p" and "M" Leases in Sections 25, 26, 34, 35, and 36. (Township 32 North, Range 17 South, Range 17 West, NMPM, San Juan County, New Mexico) Vinitially through its Navajo "p" Well No. 6 located in Unit P of said Section 35.

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(2) That special rules and regulations governing the Many Rocks-Gallup Pressure Maintenance Project No.**3**, San Juan County, New Mexico, are hereby promulgated as follows:

## SPECIAL RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR THE MANY ROCKS-GALLUP PRESSURE MAINTENANCE PROJECT NO. 3

<u>RULE 1.</u> The project area of the Many Rocks-Gallup Pressure Maintenance Project No. **3**, hereinafter referred to as the Project, aball comprise the following-described area: SAN JUAN COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

TOWNSHIP\_32 NORTH, RANGE 17 WEST, NMPM

Section 26.		
Section 34:	4 w/2 sw74 H NE/4. NE/4 NW74, and N/2 SE/4 H NW74 and 5/2	1
Section 35: A	+ NW74 and S/2	2

of the allowables of the several wells within the project area, including those wells which are shut-in, curtailed, or used as injection wells. Allowables for all wells shall be determined in a manner hereinafter prescribed. -3-CASE No. 2994 Order No. R-25404

<u>RULE 3</u>. Allowables for injection wells may be transferred to producing wells within the project area, as may the allowables for producing wells which, in the interest of more efficient operation of the Project, are shut-in or curtailed because of high gas-oil ratio, pressure regulation, control of pattern or sweep efficiencies, or to observe changes in pressures or changes in characteristics of reservoir liquids or progress of sweep.

<u>RULE 4.</u> The allowable assigned to any well which is shut-in or which is curtailed in accordance with the provisions of Rule 3, which allowable is to be transferred to any well or wells in the project area for production, shall in no event be greater than its ability to produce during the test prescribed by Rule 6, below, or greater than the current top unit allowable for the pool during the month of transfer, whichever is less.

<u>RULE 5.</u> The allowable assigned to any injection well on a 40-acre proration unit shall be top unit allowable for the pool.

<u>RULE 6</u>. The allowable assigned to any well which is shut-in or curtailed in accordance with Rule 3 shall be determined by a 24-hour test at a stabilized rate of production which shall be the final 24-hour period of a 72-hour test throughout which the well should be produced in the same manner and at a constant rate. The daily tolerance limitation set forth in Rule 502 I (a) of the General Rules and Regulations and any limiting gas-oil ratio for the pool shall be waived during such tests. The project operator shall notify the Commission and all offset operators in writing of the exact time and date such tests are to be conducted. The Commission and representatives of the offset operators may witness the tests.

RULE 7. The allowable assigned to each producing well in the Project shall be equal to the well's ability to produce or to top unit allowable for the pool, whichever is less, provided, however, that any producing well in the project area which directly or diagonally offsets a well outside the project area producing from the same common source of supply shall not produce in excess of top unit allowable for the pool until January 1, 1964, or untilthe operators of such offset well outside the project area have instituted a pressure maintenance project in the area of such well, whichever shall first occur. Each producing well shall be subject to the limiting gas-oil ratio (2,000 to 1) for the pocl, except that any well or wells within the project area producing with a gas-oil ratio in excess of 2,000 cubic feet of gas per barrel of oil may be produced on a "net" gas-oil ratio basis, which net gas-oil ratio shall be determined by applying credit for daily average gas injected, if any, into the pool within the project area to such high gas-oil ratio well. The daily adjusted oil allowable for any well receiving gas injection credit shall be

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V <sub>w inj</sub>	2	Average daily volume of water injected, barrels
<sup>V</sup> w prod	=	Average daily volume of water produced, barrels
5.61	Ŧ	Cubic foot equivalent of one barrel of water
Pa	=	Average reservoir pressure at mid-point of the pay-zones of the pool in the project area, psig + 12.01, as determined from most recent survey
15.025	×	Pressure base, psi
520 <sup>0</sup>	Ŧ	Temperature base of 60 <sup>0</sup> F expressed as absolute temperature
Τ <sub>۲</sub>	a	Reservoir temperature of 92 <sup>0</sup> F expressed as absolute temperature (552 <sup>°</sup> R)
Z	#	Compressibility factor from analysis of gas from the pool at average reservoir pressure, P <sub>a</sub> , interpolated from compressi- bility tabulation below:
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Reservoir		Reservoir		Reservoir		
Pressure	Z	Pressure	Z	Pressure	Z	
50	.9725	300	.8325	550	.6560	
100	.9465	350	.8030	600	.6135	
150	.9215	400	.7710	650	.5655	
200	.8885	450	.7220	700	.5220	
250	.8600	500	.6900	750	.4630	
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<u>RULE 9.</u> Each month the project operator shall, within three days after the normal unit allowable for Northwest New Mexico has been established, submit to the Commission a Pressure Maintenance Project Operator's Report, on a form prescribed by the Commission, outlining thereon the data required, and requesting allowables for each of the several wells in the Project as well as the total Project allowable. The aforesaid Pressure Maintenance Project Operator's Report shall be filed in lieu of Form C-120 for the Project.

<u>RULE 10.</u> The Commission shall, upon review of the report and after any adjustments deemed necessary, calculate the allowable for each well in the Project for the next succeeding month in accordance with these rules. The sum of the allowables so calculated shall be assigned to the Project and may be produced from the wells -6-CASE No. **2855 2994** Order No. R-<del>2541</del>

in the Project in any proportion. except that no well in the Project which directly or diagonally offsets a well outside the Project producing from the same common source of supply shall produce in excess of top unit allowable for the pool until January 1, 1964, or until the operators of such offset well outside the project area have instituted a pressure maintenance project in the area of such well, whichever shall first occur.

<u>RULE 11</u>. The conversion of producing wells to injection, the drilling of additional wells for injection, and expansion of the project area shall be accomplished only after approval of the same by the Secretary-Director of the Commission. To obtain such approval, the project operator shall file proper application with the Commission, which application, if it seeks authorization to convert additional wells to injection or to drill additional injection wells shall be filed in accordance with Commission Rule 701-B and shall be accompanied by a statement that all offset operators to the proposed injection well have been furnished a complete copy of the application and the date of notification.

The Secretary-Director may approve the proposed injection well if, within 15 days after receiving the application, no objection to the proposal is received. The Secretary-Director may grant immediate approval, provided waivers of objection are received from all offset operators and from the State Engineer.

Expansion of the project area may be approved by the Secretary-Director of the Commission administratively when good cause is shown therefor.

(3) That jurisdiction of this cause is retained for the entry of such further orders as the Commission may deem necessary.

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

> STATE OF NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

JACK M. CAMPBELL, Chairman

E. S. WALKER, Member

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

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