

CASE 3014: Hearing called by the  
OCC to permit OTTO V. REYNOLDS to  
appear regarding plugging of wells,

CASE No.  
3014

Application,  
TRANSCRIPTS,  
SMALL Exhibits  
ETC.

*Case file*

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JACK M. CAMPBELL  
CHAIRMAN

State of New Mexico  
**Oil Conservation Commission**



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1000 RIO BRAZOS ROAD  
AZTEC, NEW MEXICO

May 15, 1964

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

Mr. James M. Durrett, Jr.  
Oil Conservation Commission  
Box 2088  
Santa Fe, New Mexico

Re: Case No. 3014, Order No.  
R-2688, Otto V. Reynolds  
#1 Wood, N-14-29N-11W

Dear Mr. Durrett:

I witnessed the plugging operations of subject well on May 13 and 14, 1964.

The following recap of the operation may be used in lieu of Form C-103 normally filed by the operator of a well:

On May 13, 1964 moved in and rigged up. Surface casing found to be 6-5/8". Went into hole with drill pipe. Found what is thought to be the stub of 2-7/8" casing at 150'. Could not make up 2-7/8" pin into stub. Passed stub and went into hole to 240', where a formation bridge was encountered.

May 14, 1964: Cemented through drill pipe at 240' with 32 sacks neat cement. Pulled drill pipe to surface, filled hole with 6 sacks neat cement. Surface marker was not set.

The Wood #1 well was plugged and abandoned under my supervision and in an approved manner.

If further order is to be made, please contact me.

Yours very truly,

*W. R. Hendrick*  
W. R. Hendrick  
Engineer, District 15

ARM:ke

cc: Mr. Carl May (Contractor)  
500 North Orchard  
Farmington, N.H.

Mr. Otto Reynolds  
630 Grant Way  
Oxnard, California

Mr. James E. Perry  
The Continental Insurance Co.  
212 Second Street NW  
Albuquerque, New Mexico

NEW MEXICO  
OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

JUN 29 1964

FIELD TRIP REPORT

Date June 29, 1964

Name of Employee A. R. Kendrick

Time of Departure 12:00 A.M. Time of Return 3:20 P.M.

Miles Travelled 30

In the space below please indicate purpose of trip and duties performed, listing wells or leases visited.

Made trip to the Otto V. ~~XXXX~~ Reynolds #1 Lohman to witness plugging operations. Contractor didnot show up.

A. R. Kendrick  
Employee's Signature  
District/ # 3

to  
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see file  
well file  
[Signature]

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OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

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1000 RTH BOARDE ROAD  
AZTEC, NEW MEXICO

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STATE GEOLOGIST  
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SECRETARY - DIRECTOR

*July 9, 1964*

Mr. James Durrett, Jr.  
Oil Conservation Commission  
Box 2038  
Santa Fe, New Mexico

Re: Order R-2038, H1 Sale  
E-24-29N-11W

Dear Mr. Durrett:

July 2, 1964:

Mr. Carl Ray moved from the Lohman H1 to subject well for plugging operations. Connected to 2-7/8" casing and pressured to 1000 psi and could not pump into the formation. Shut down uniting on tubing.

July 6, 1964:

Running 1" tubing into hole.

July 7, 1964:

Run 1" tubing to 770'. Pumped 10 sacks cement into hole and pulled tubing. Plugged well back to 500' to be left as water well for land owner. The location is level and free of junk.

{ Affidavit of Responsibility, Conversion to Water Well accompanies copy of this letter to Mr. Reynolds as per our agreement.

Yours very truly,

*A. R. Kendrick*

A. R. Kendrick  
Engineer, District #3

ARK:h.

cc: Mr. James E. Perry  
The Commercial Insurance Co.  
212 Second Street NW., Albuquerque, N.M.

Mr. Otto Reynolds  
640 Grant Way, Oxnard, California

INNER  
WALKER



OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION  
P. O. BOX 871  
SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

October 23, 1964

Mr. A. R. Kendrick  
Engineer, District No. 3  
Oil Conservation Commission  
1000 Rio Brazos Road  
Aztec, New Mexico

Re: Order No. R-2688, Otto V.  
Reynolds Seitzinger Well  
No. 1, H-23-29N-11W

Dear Al:

If the above well has not yet been plugged, we probably should request the plugging contractor to move on the location before cold weather sets in.

If the plugging contractor does not respond to your request, please advise me and I will take appropriate action.

Very truly yours,

J. M. DURRETT, Jr.  
Attorney

JMD/esr

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Reynolds plugging  
Case*

**OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION**  
1000 RIO BRAZOS ROAD  
AZTEC, NEW MEXICO

DEC 29 1964

December 24, 1964

Mr. James E. Perry  
The Continental Insurance Companies  
5301 Central Avenue NE  
Albuquerque, New Mexico 87108

Re: Your File 182-S-11396  
Otto V. Reynolds  
Order R-2688

Dear Mr. Perry:

The Otto Reynolds Seitzinger #1 well, N-23-29N-11W has not been plugged and abandoned as required by Oil Commission Order R-2688.

Mr. Carl Ray, the contractor who plugged the Lohman and Gale wells, recently advised that he was awaiting action by Mr. Reynolds.

Yours very truly

A. R. Kendrick  
Engineer, District #3

ARK:ks

cc: Mr. Otto Reynolds  
640 Grant Way  
Oxnard, California

Mr. James Darrett, Jr.  
OCC, Santa Fe, N.M.

*File  
Reynolds  
plugging case*

OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION  
1000 RIO BRAZOS ROAD  
AZTEC, NEW MEXICO

February 2, 1965

Mr. Otto V. Reynolds  
640 Grant Way  
Oxnard, California

Dear Mr. Reynolds:

Reference is made to your request for a 60-day delay of plugging the Otto Reynolds Seitzinger #1, H-23-29N-11W.

I have checked with our legal department to see if any time extension could be granted. I was advised that no extension can be granted legally.

Please proceed with diligence to comply with Order R-2688 so that we will not have to call on the bonding company.

If we can be of assistance, please contact us

Yours very truly

A. R. Kendrick  
Engineer, District #3

ARK:ks

cc: OGC, Santa Fe, N.M. ✓

Mr. James E. Perry  
The Continental Insurance Companies  
5301 Central Avenue NE  
Albuquerque, New Mexico

# Memo

From

JAMES M. DURRETT JR.  
GENERAL COUNSEL

To: [illegible]

Re: [illegible]

Date: [illegible]

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Subject: [illegible]

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7-30-65

# Memo

From

A. L. KENDRICK

ENGINEER AND DEPUTY  
OIL & GAS INSPECTOR

To Jim Durrett

Dr. Geisler will  
be out of town until  
August 6<sup>th</sup>. I'll try  
to push him by  
phone.

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signature

**OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION**  
1000 RIO BRAZOS ROAD  
AZTEC, NEW MEXICO

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July 30, 1965

Mr. David Kendall  
309 West 27th Street  
Farmington, New Mexico

Re: Otto Reynolds #1 Seltzinger well  
H-23-29N-11W, San Juan County  
New Mexico

Dear Sir:

Our attorney is insisting that we complete our records in the plugging case which includes the above captioned well.

Please send us a written statement of position by return mail.

In the absence of diligent pursuance of acquisition of this property we shall insist upon immediate plugging of the well.

Yours very truly

A.R. Kendrick  
Engineer, District #3

ARK:ks

cc: Mr. James M. Durrett, Jr. ✓  
NMOCC, Santa Fe, N.M.

*Otto Reynolds  
Plugging can file*

GOVERNOR  
JACK M. CAMPBELL  
CHAIRMAN

State of New Mexico  
Oil Conservation Commission



LAND COMMISSIONER  
GUYTON B. HAYS  
MEMBER

1000 RIO BRAZOS RD.  
AZTEC

August 11, 1965

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

Mr. J.M. Durrett, Jr.  
N. M. O. C. C.  
Box 2088  
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87501

RE: Case No. 3014  
Order R-2688

Dear Jim:

The attached copy of Mr. Kendall's letter indicates that he will relieve Otto Reynolds of the plugging operations of the Seitzinger #1 H-23-29N-11W.

I will advise you when the transfer is completed so that the case may be closed.

Yours very truly,

A. R. Kendrick  
Engineer, District #3

ARK/bj

Encl:

David L. Kendall, M.D.  
Engineer District #3  
State of New Mexico  
Oil Conservation Commission  
1000 Rio Brazos Road  
Aztec, New Mexico

A. R. Kendrick  
Engineer District #3  
State of New Mexico  
Oil Conservation Commission  
1000 Rio Brazos Road  
Aztec, New Mexico

Mr. John Reynolds  
Buitinger Well  
CR3-29N-11W  
San Juan County, New Mexico

Dear Mr. Kendrick,

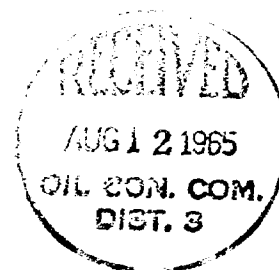
This is to notify you that I am going to assume the responsibility  
for production from the above mentioned well.

Application has been made with Woods Insurance Agency for a  
plugging bond.

Very truly yours,

*David L. Kendall*  
David L. Kendall, M.D.

DLK:mmn



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*plugging case  
file & close file*

GOVERNOR  
JACK M. CAMPBELL  
CHAIRMAN

State of New Mexico  
Oil Conservation Commission



1000 RIO BRAZOS RD.  
AZTEC

August 27, 1965

STATE GEOLOGIST  
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SECRETARY - DIRECTOR

LAND COMMISSIONER  
GUYTON B. HAYS  
MEMBER

Mr. J. M. Burrett  
Oil Conservation Commission  
Box 2088  
Santa Fe, New Mexico

Re: Case No. 3014, Order No. R-2608  
Otto V. Reynolds Scitzinger #1  
H-23-29H-11H

Dear Jim:

The above referenced well has been transferred to David L. Kendall.  
Otto V. Reynolds has been relieved of the plugging responsibility  
of the well.

This should close the case.

Yours very truly

*A. R. Kendrick*

A. R. Kendrick  
Engineer, District #3

ARK:ks

cc: Mr. J. E. Perry  
The Continental Insurance Companies  
5301 Central Avenue NE  
Albuquerque, New Mexico

DOCKET: EXAMINER HEARING - WEDNESDAY - MARCH 25, 1964

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

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

- CASE 3014: In the matter of the hearing called by the Oil Conservation Commission on its own motion to permit Otto V. Reynolds and all other interested parties to appear and show cause why his Wood Well No. 1 located in Unit N, Section 14, and his Lohman Well No. 1 and Gale Well No. 1, located in Units C and E, respectively, Section 24, and the Seitzinger Well No. 1 located in Unit H, Section 23, all in Township 29 North, Range 11 West, San Juan County, New Mexico, should not be plugged in accordance with a Commission-approved plugging program.
- CASE 3015: Application of Lone Star Producing Company for a dual completion, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval of the dual completion (conventional) of its Atlantic State Well No. 1 located in Unit G of Section 30, Township 17, South, Range 36 East, Lea County, New Mexico, to produce oil from an undesignated San Andres Pool and from undesignated Abo Detritus through parallel strings of 2-3/8 inch tubing.
- CASE 3016: Application of Texaco, Inc. for the creation of a new oil pool and for temporary pool rules, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks the creation of a new oil pool for Upper-Pennsylvanian production in Sections 25 and 36, Township 17 South, Range 35 East, Lea County, New Mexico, and the establishment of special pool rules therefor, including a provision for 80-acre proration units.
- CASE 3017: Application of Texaco, Inc. for an exception to Rule 309-A, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks authority to produce up to a maximum of 20 proration units into its New Mexico State "AE" lease tank battery, Vacuum Abo Reef Pool, Lea County, New Mexico.
- CASE 3018: Application of Tenneco Oil Company for a waterflood project, Chaves County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks authority to institute a waterflood project in the Round Tank San Andres Pool, Chaves County, New Mexico, by the injection of water into the San Andres formation through one well located in Unit I of Section 24, Township 15 South, Range 28 East.
- CASE 3019: Application of Cactus Drilling Corporation for an unorthodox well location, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks authority to drill its proposed Texas No. 1 Jennings Federal Well at an unorthodox location 1300 feet from the North and East lines of Section 10, Township 20 South, Range 29 East, Eddy County, New Mexico; said well is a wildcat projected to the Devonian formation.

Case 3014

Heard 3-25-64

Rec. 3-25-64

1. Order Otto V. Reynolds to plug his Wood #1 N-14-29-11 within 45 days from the date of this order.

2. Order O. V. R. to connect & produce his,

Gale #1, E 24-29-11

Seitzinger #1 H-23-29-11

Lohman #1 C-24-29-11

within 60 days from date of this order.

3. If the later 3 wells is not connected within the period of time set out herein then he shall plug the well within 105 days from the date of this order.

4. Method of plugging shall be to pump cement down the casing until the well has received all the cement possible ~~and then~~ The casing shall be left full of cement.

Chas. A. V. J.

DRAFT

JMD/esr

March 31, 1964

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. 3014

Order No. R-2688

IN THE MATTER OF THE HEARING CALLED BY THE OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION ON ITS OWN MOTION TO PERMIT OTTO V. REYNOLDS AND ALL OTHER INTERESTED PARTIES TO APPEAR AND SHOW CAUSE WHY HIS WOOD WELL NO. 1 LOCATED IN UNIT N, Section 14, AND HIS LOHMAN WELL NO. 1 AND GALE WELL NO. 1, LOCATED IN UNITS C AND E, RESPECTIVELY, SECTION 24, AND THE SEITZINGER WELL NO. 1 LOCATED IN UNIT H, SECTION 23, ALL IN TOWNSHIP 29 NORTH, RANGE 11 WEST, SAN JUAN COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, SHOULD NOT BE PLUGGED IN ACCORDANCE WITH A COMMISSION-APPROVED PLUGGING PROGRAM.

ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

BY THE COMMISSION:

This cause came on for hearing at 9 o'clock a.m. on March 25, 1964, 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 April day of 1964, the Commission, a quorum being present, having considered the ~~application, the~~ testimony, the record, ~~evidence, and the~~ 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 Otto V. Reynolds is the owner and operator of the following-described wells in Township 29 North, Range 11 West, NMPM, San Juan County, New Mexico:

1. Wood Well No. 1 located in Unit N of Section 14
2. Lohman Well No. 1 located in Unit C of Section 24
3. Gale Well No. 1 located in Unit E of Section 24
4. Seitzinger Well No. 1 located in Unit H of Section 23

(3) That the Wood Well No. 1 is dry and abandoned and should be plugged in a manner that will confine all oil, gas, and water in the strata or stratum originally containing them in order to prevent waste and protect correlative rights.

(4) That the Lohman Well No. 1, the Gale Well No. 1, and the Seitzinger Well No. 1 have been abandoned and should be placed on production or plugged in a manner that will confine all oil, gas, and water in the strata or stratum originally containing them in order to prevent waste and protect correlative rights.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

(1) That Otto V. Reynolds is hereby ordered to plug his Wood Well No. 1 located in Unit N of Section 14, Township 29 North, Range 11 West, NMPM, San Juan County, New Mexico, by filling the casing with cement slurry from total depth to surface.

(2) That Otto V. Reynolds shall complete plugging operations on his Wood Well No. 1 on or before May 15, 1964, and shall notify the District Supervisor, District 3, Oil Conservation Commission, Aztec, New Mexico, of the exact date and time that plugging operations will commence.

(3) That if the Lohman Well No. 1 located in Unit C of Section 24, the Gale Well No. 1 located in Unit E of Section 24, and the Seitzinger Well No. 1 located in Unit H of Section 23, Township 29 North, Range 11 West, NMPM, San Juan County, New Mexico, are not connected to a pipeline and producing on or before June 1, 1964, Otto V. Reynolds shall plug said wells which are not connected and producing by filling the casing of each such well with cement slurry from total depth to surface.

*Otto V. Reynolds shall complete*  
(4) That ~~the~~ plugging operations ~~set out above shall be~~  
*on the above-described wells*  
~~completed~~ on or before July 1, 1964, and ~~that Otto V. Reynolds~~  
shall notify the District Supervisor, District 3, Oil Conservation Commission, Aztec, New Mexico, of the exact date and time plugging operations are to commence on each well.

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

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

BEFORE THE OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION  
OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO

IN THE MATTER OF THE HEARING CALLED BY THE OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION ON ITS OWN MOTION TO PERMIT OTTO V. REYNOLDS AND ALL OTHER INTERESTED PARTIES TO APPEAR AND SHOW CAUSE WHY HIS WOOD WELL NO. 1 LOCATED IN UNIT N, SECTION 14, AND HIS LOEMAN WELL NO. 1 AND GALE WELL NO. 1, LOCATED IN UNITS C AND E, RESPECTIVELY, SECTION 24, AND THE SEITZINGER WELL NO. 1 LOCATED IN UNIT H, SECTION 23, ALL IN TOWNSHIP 29 NORTH, RANGE 11 WEST, SAN JUAN COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, SHOULD NOT BE PLUGGED IN ACCORDANCE WITH A COMMISSION-APPROVED PLUGGING PROGRAM.

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BY THE COMMISSION:

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NOW, on this 6th day of April, 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:

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CASE NO. 3014  
Order No. R-2688

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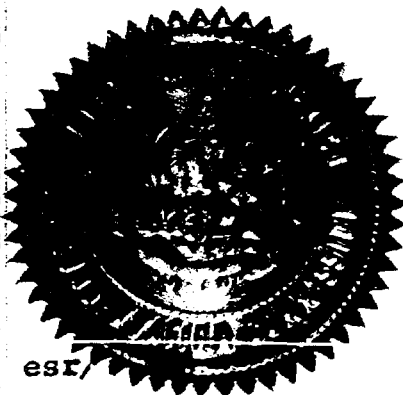
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DONE at Santa Fe, New Mexico, on the day and year hereinabove designated.



STATE OF NEW MEXICO  
OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

*Jack M. Campbell*  
JACK M. CAMPBELL, Chairman

*E. S. Walker*  
E. S. WALKER, Member

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



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**OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION**

1000 RIO BRAZOS ROAD  
AZTEC, NEW MEXICO

May 22, 1963

Otto V. Reynolds  
Box 402  
Bloomfield, New Mexico

Re: Otto Reynolds #1 Wood  
N-14-29N-11W

Dear Sir:

The above well was completed February 25, 1960. Miscellaneous reports indicate that 7" casing was cemented at 180 feet and 2-7/8" casing at 773 feet with 90 sacks. No completion record was filed indicating whether or not production was secured. However, as no allowable has been requested we presume that the well was a dry hole and are directing that it be plugged and abandoned in accordance with Oil Conservation Commission rules and regulations. We calculate that 25 sacks of cement will fill 770 feet of 2-7/8" casing.

If the above action is not commenced within 30 days it is our intention to set the matter for hearing before the Oil Conservation Commission in order that the operator and the bonding company may show cause why the well should not be plugged and abandoned.

Yours very truly

ECA:ks

Emery C. Arnold  
Supervisor, District #3

cc: Oil Conservation Commission  
Santa Fe, New Mexico

Commercial Insurance Company  
212 Second Street NW  
Albuquerque, New Mexico

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INSURED NO.	CITY, ZONE AND STATE <b>Santa Fe, New Mexico</b>		
<b>cc ltr 4-8 - Order R-2688, Otto V. Reynolds</b>			

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<b>Letter 4-8 - Order R-2688</b>			

No. 859379

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OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION  
P. O. BOX 871  
SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

April 8, 1964

CERTIFIED - RETURN  
RECEIPT REQUESTED

Mr. Otto V. Reynolds  
640 Grant Way  
Oxnard, California

Re: Case No. 3014  
Order No. R-2688

Dear Mr. Reynolds:

I am enclosing herewith a certified copy of the above order. Please note the plugging dates specified therein and the requirement that you notify the District Supervisor, District 3, Oil Conservation Commission, Aztec, New Mexico, of the exact date and time plugging operations are to commence on each well.

Very truly yours,

J. M. DURRETT, Jr.  
Special Assistant  
Attorney General

JMD/esr  
Enclosure

cc: Mr. Manford C. Susman  
P. O. Box 1864  
Beverly Hills, California

Mr. Emery C. Arnold  
Supervisor, District 3  
Oil Conservation Commission  
1000 Rio Brazos Road  
Aztec, New Mexico

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**Claims Manager**  
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OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION  
P. O. BOX 871  
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April 8, 1964

CERTIFIED - RETURN  
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The Continental Insurance Companies  
212 Second Street, N.W.  
Albuquerque, New Mexico

Attention: Mr. James E. Perry, Claims Manager

Re: Case No. 3014  
Order No. R-2688

Gentlemen:

I am enclosing herewith a certified copy of the above order concerning Mr. Otto V. Reynolds, Principal, under your \$10,000 Blanket Plugging Bond on file with the Commission.

Very truly yours,

J. M. DURRETT, Jr.  
Special Assistant  
Attorney General

JMD/esr  
Enclosure

cc: Mr. Emery C. Arnold  
Supervisor, District 3  
Oil Conservation Commission  
1000 Rio Brazos Road  
Aztec, New Mexico

*Otto Reynolds Plugging Case*  
*file JMD*

**Memo**

*From*

JAMES M. DURRETT JR.  
GENERAL COUNSEL

*To*

*C. J. Quasman*  
*Mayford Quasman*  
~~*Reynolds*~~

*Revere Oil Company*  
*Standard Oil & Gas Inc.*  
*of West Virginia.*  
~~*Reynolds*~~

*PO Box 1867*  
*Beverly Hills*



MAIN OFFICE OCC

# REYNOLDS

GRAVITY POWERED CASING PUMP

1964 MAR 25 AM 8:17

Mr J.M. Durrett  
P.O. Box 2088  
Santa Fe, N.M.

Otto V. Reynolds  
640 Grant Way  
Oxnard, California

Sunday A.M.  
March 22nd, 64.

Phone: 487-4116

Dear Mr Durrett:

Please pardon my delay in answering your letter of 3-13,64. but I just this morning located Mr Mansford Sussman, and talked with him by Phone. He has moved to Palm Springs, Calif. I am too meet with him in the Office of the Riviera Oil Co's Office in Los Angeles at 10 AM, tuesday morning.

Mr Durrett, He assured me again over the phone that they had made a deal for a bond, and that Mr Felix Brezoni in Farmington, N.M. was handling it for them.

He also assured me that they were going too put these wells into production, and carry out the plans of doing this which I had set up at the time that I sold them the property. and that was too install a very large seperator on the property and take off the Butane, Propene, & Gasoline and dyr up the Gas before turning it to Southern Union Gas. As every one knows in the Commission that this Farmington Gas is very wet, and in some of the well's which I produced down there for a long time the Oil was 62.7 Gravity and I had to keep the tanks sealed or it would evaporate as fast as I could pump it up. This Farmington Gas will yeald about .40% per 1,000 cu ft if this method is used to produce and market it. The Oil Conservation Comm gave me a 10 Acre spacing a few years back, so I could produce that Farmington Formation in the Bloomfield area for just this reason alone. This is the reason that I say that these wells should not be plugged.

I will call you tuesday morning from his Office and let you know just what he is willing to do. I would like to have the property back and carry out this program. A lot of money can be made there.

All of this come up so sudden and I was unable to locate Mr Susman he has been out of town every since I was first notified of this until this Morning. you can expect too hear from me tuesday the 24th. by phone.

CC: Mr. A.R. Kendrick  
1000 Rio Brazos Road  
Aztec, N.M.

Very truly yours

*Otto Reynolds*

*Casey*

*Casey*  
HIGH OFFICE OCC

1964 FEB 20 PM 1 24 2 to, 64.

Mr S.R. Kendrick  
Oil Conservation Comm  
1000 Rio Graos Road  
Atee, T.M.

Dear All:

I just this AM received a copy of the letter which you wrote to Mr James Curlett, Jr. dated Feb 21, 64. With copy from my bonding Co.

Now Al & Mr Curlett, Jr. what ever you do want turn over the plug ing of these wells to the Bonding Co. I will gladly call out Mr Lee Wilson or Mr Buck Ray and have either of them contact you and under your supervision either of them can move their rig over each of these well's & pump them full of Cement. As you know, it is very difficult for any independent producer to make a Producers Bond in New Mexico at the present time. I intend too come back there and do some more drilling and development, a little later on this year. and I want to be able too make a bond again.

I have put all of my egg's in one basket, so to speak, the last three getting this casing pump on the market and into belt production. Now that I have got all of this behind me and the mfg and sales are going along in high gear, I am ready too get back into the producing end of the Oil Business again, there in New Mexico.

Now let me explain just what has happened in regard to these well's in the last year, which was unknown to me. When I received Mr Smorys Arnold's letter back in May of last year I immediately went up too his office and he explained too me that Sanford G. Susman nor the Riveris Oil Co had not posted a Producers Bond too take the place of my bond. So I went right over to Mr Felix Brazoni's office in Farmington, and he informed me that he was their legal council out there in New Mexico. so I had him call Mr Susman right then and there, and Mr Susman assured both of us that a Bond was being posted. As you know I was in the process of moving out here at the time. so when I got out here I went into Mr Susman's office at 409 E. Garden St., Beverly Hills, Calif. and he again assured me that a Bond had been posted, and that mine had been released. This was in June. Not ever hearing from him one way or the other, I just took for granted that this was true. Then this AM, I received a copy of your above mentioned letter.

Now Al; I will go down too Beverly Hills in the morning and have it out with Mr Susman. He has fulfilled every every paragraph in our sales agreement too him any way, and I shouldnt have any trouble getting this property back. As you know every one of these little well's should be out on the line, and I was all ready too go onto the line with them and start producing Gas. As you know each of these wells potentialled for upward of 250,000 Cu Ft per day, and they JMC should be 100% efficient. As you know, I set pipe and joint through and below the pay zone and circulated cement to the surface, then air pointed perforation into the producing zone, and let the well's close then selves good. then they were closed and capped for pipe line connection. They cant possibly be opened any, and I sure would like to have them back. I will immediately go on the line with them and start producing them.

No 2;

Now here is another thing which I am up against if worse comes to worse, and you should call on me too plug those wells under my present Plugging Bond. You see, Legally I have sold them those well's, as it stands as of today. Now if I turn around and go in there and plug the well's which is legally theirs and on their property, just where will this leave me. I would like to have time to check with my Attorney Mr Dudley Cornell there in Albuquerque on this end of the deal. It's kinda like having a higacker ram a gun into your belly and back you into the kicking end of a Mule. Thats me in the middle. So I just dont know wheather to ~~scratch my nose~~ blow my nose or scratch an ass. I'll just have to find out. I really dont think I will have any trouble with them in getting the property back. since they still owe us several Thousand Dollars on this deal to them of these well's.

Please dont think that I have been negligent in regard to this situation Al, I have been under the impression that they had posted Bond and that every thing was going along OK.

You may rest assured that I will get right on this and rush things through to a proper conclusion, just as fast as time and miles will permit. and I will let you know in a few days just what I have been able to do.

Very truly yours,

By

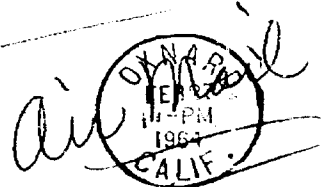
Otto V. Reynolds

CC; Mr James Burnett, Jr.  
Oil Conservation Comm  
Box 2028  
Santa Fe, N.M.

CC; Commercial Insurance Co  
212 Second St. NW.  
Albuquerque, N.M.

CC; Mr Lee Wilson  
Bloomfield, N.M.

Otto V. Reynolds  
AFTER 640 ~~Grain~~ <sup>Way</sup> RETURN TO  
Oxnard, California  
Phone: 487-4116  
OXNARD, CALIFORNIA



Mr. James Durrett Jr.  
Oil Conservation Commission  
Box 2088  
Santa Fe,  
New Mexico

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Letter 3-13-64 - Case 3014

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OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION  
P. O. BOX 871  
SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

March 13, 1964

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Mr. Otto V. Reynolds  
640 Grantway  
Oxnard, California

Re: Case No. 3014

Dear Mr. Reynolds:

I am enclosing herewith a docket of the Examiner Hearing to be held on Wednesday, March 25, 1964, at 9 a.m., in the Oil Conservation Commission Conference Room, State Land Office Building, Santa Fe, New Mexico. Please note that Case No. 3014 has been docketed to allow you to show cause why four wells should not be plugged in accordance with a Commission-approved plugging program.

We have your letter of February 28, 1964, wherein you state that you do not feel that the wells should be plugged. If you still feel that the wells should not be plugged, you should plan to attend the March 25, 1964, hearing. If you do not plan to appear in person, it will be necessary for you to retain an attorney to represent you.

Very truly yours,

J. M. DURRETT, JR.  
Attorney

JMD/esr

cc: Mr. A. R. Kendrick  
Oil Conservation Commission  
1000 Rio Brazos Road  
Asteo, New Mexico

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*Betty Newby Head*

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No. 859364

**RECEIPT** **CERTIFIED MAIL—20¢**

SENT BY *Mr. C*

Attn: *Inental Insurance*

STREET AND NO. *Mr. James E. Perry*

*212 Second St. N W*

CITY AND STATE *Claims Manager*

*Albuquerque, New Mexico*

DATE *3-13-64*

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THE CONTINENTAL Insurance Companies - Attn: Mr. James E. Perry, Claims Manager  
212 Second Street, N.W.  
Albuquerque, New Mexico

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P. O. BOX 871  
SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

March 13, 1964

CERTIFIED - RETURN RECEIPT  
REQUESTED

The Continental Insurance Companies  
212 Second Street, N.W.  
Albuquerque, New Mexico

Attention: Mr. James E. Perry, Claims Manager

Re: Otto Reynolds, \$10,000  
Blanket Plugging Bond

Gentlemen:

I am enclosing herewith a docket of the hearing concerning your principal under the \$10,000 Blanket Well Plugging Bond on file with the Commission.

Very truly yours,

J. M. DURRETT, Jr.  
Special Assistant  
Attorney General

JMD/ear  
Enclosure

OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION  
P. O. BOX 671  
SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

*Case 3014*

March 11, 1964

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The Continental Insurance Companies  
212 Second Street, N.W.  
Albuquerque, New Mexico

Attention: Mr. James E. Perry, Claims Manager

Re: Otto Reynolds, \$10,000  
Blanket Plugging Bond

Gentlemen:

We have your letter of February 27, 1964. My reply has been delayed as we have been involved in a trial during the past week.

I am enclosing herewith a copy of the above bond to enable you to confirm coverage and take appropriate action.

Very truly yours,

J. M. DURRETT, Jr.  
Special Assistant  
Attorney General

JMD/esr

# *The* CONTINENTAL INSURANCE COMPANIES

THE CONTINENTAL INSURANCE COMPANY • FIREMEN'S INSURANCE COMPANY OF NEWARK, NEW JERSEY  
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212 Second Street, N. W., Albuquerque, New Mexico

February 27, 1934

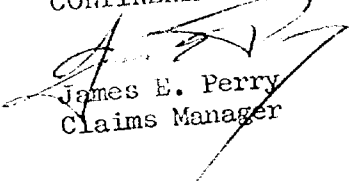
Mr. James Durrett, Jr.  
Oil Conservation Commission  
Box 2088  
Santa Fe, New Mexico

Dear Mr. Durrett:

A copy of Mr. A. R. Kendrick's letter of February 21, regarding four wells drilled by a Mr. Otto Reynolds, has been referred to this office as we apparently carry a well plugging bond on Mr. Reynolds. It would be appreciated if you would advise us as to the policy number of the bond and also the name and address of the producing agent so that we may confirm coverage and take whatever action may be necessary.

Very truly yours,

CONTINENTAL INSURANCE COMPANIES

  
James E. Perry  
Claims Manager

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*Set for hearing*

GOVERNOR  
JACK M. CAMPBELL  
CHAIRMAN

*600 3014*

State of New Mexico  
**Oil Conservation Commission**



LAND COMMISSIONER  
E. S. JOHNNY WALKER  
MEMBER

1000 RIO BRAZOS ROAD  
AZTEC, NEW MEXICO

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

February 21, 1964

Mr. James Durrett, Jr.  
Oil Conservation Commission  
Box 2088  
Santa Fe, New Mexico

Dear Mr. Durrett:

Please set a case or cases to allow Mr. Otto V. Reynolds to show why the following wells should not be plugged and abandoned in a manner approved by the Commission:

- ✓ Otto Reynolds #1 Gale, <sup>24</sup>E-14-29N-11W *well file shows*
- Otto Reynolds #1 Lohman, C-24-29N-11W *Sec. 24*
- Otto Reynolds #1 Seitzinger, H-23-29N-11W
- ✓ Otto Reynolds #1 Wood, H-14-29N-11W

Letters, Arnold to Reynolds, dated May 22, 1963, have not been answered. Mr. Reynolds did make oral request for additional time, but did not answer the letters as requested at that time.

A summary of operations for each well is contained in each of the fore-mentioned letters.

Order R-1723 referred to the Gale, Lohman and Seitzinger wells.

We will supply a witness for the case.

Yours very truly

*A. R. Kendrick*  
A. R. Kendrick  
Engineer, District #3

ARK:ke

cc: Mr. Otto Reynolds  
Bloomfield, N.M.

Commercial Insurance Co.  
212 Second St. NW  
Albuquerque, N.M.

DOCKET MAILED

Date 3-12-64  
*[Signature]*

OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION  
1000 RIO BRAZOS ROAD  
AZTEC, NEW MEXICO

*File  
Otto Reynolds  
H-23-29N-11k*

*3616*

May 22, 1963

Otto L. Reynolds  
Box #92  
Bloomfield, New Mexico

Re: Otto Reynolds #1 Seitzinger  
H-23-29N-11k

Dear Sir:

The above well was drilled in May, 1960, and Miscellaneous reports were filed showing that 7" casing was cemented at 63 feet with 30 sacks and 2 3/8" tubing was cemented at 986 feet with 78 sacks circulated. The well was then perforated from 830 to 847 feet but it is not indicated whether or not the well was successfully completed, as no allowable was ever requested. We presume, therefore, that the well is a dry hole and are directing that it be plugged and abandoned in accordance with New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission rules and regulations.

We calculate that a 20-sack cement plug would fill the 2-3/8" casing from top to bottom. Please file Form C-102 with this office for approval of your plugging program prior to commencing operations.

If the above action is not commenced within 30 days it is our intention to set the matter for hearing before the Oil Conservation Commission in order that the operator and the bonding company may show cause why the well should not be plugged and abandoned.

Yours very truly

Emery C. Arnold  
Supervisor, District #3

ECA:ks

cc: OCC, Santa Fe, N.M.

Commercial Insurance Co.  
212 Second Street, NW

Albuquerque, N.M.

**OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION**

1000 RIO BRAZOS ROAD

AZTEC, NEW MEXICO

*is  
to be plugged  
per  
3014*

May 22, 1963

Otto V. Reynolds  
Box 402  
Bloomfield, New Mexico

Re: Otto Reynolds #1 Lohman  
C-24-29N-11W

Dear Sir:

This well was completed February 26, 1960. Miscellaneous Reports filed indicate 7" casing was cemented at 74 feet with 40 sacks and 2-7/8" at 850 feet with 80 sacks. No completion information was filed indicating that the well was successfully completed, nor was an allowable requested. We are, therefore, directing that the well be plugged and abandoned in accordance with New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission rules and regulations. We calculate that 27 sacks of cement should fill 320 feet of 2-7/8" tubing.

If the above action is not commenced within 30 days it is our intention to set the matter for hearing before the Oil Conservation Commission in order that the operator and the bonding company may show cause why the well should not be plugged and abandoned.

Yours very truly

Emery C. Arnold  
Supervisor, District #3

ECA:ks

cc: Oil Conservation Commission  
Santa Fe, New Mexico

Commercial Insurance Company  
212 Second Street NW  
Albuquerque, New Mexico

THE CONSERVATION COMPANIES  
212 2ND ST. N.W.  
ALBUQUERQUE, N. M.

May 1, 1964

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CERTIFIED, RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Mr. Otto V. Reynolds  
630 Grant Way  
Oxnard, California

Re: File: 182-S-11396  
Obligee: State of New Mexico Oil  
Conservation Commission  
Principal: Otto V. Reynolds

Dear Mr. Reynolds:

When I talked to you by telephone you informed me that Mr. Arnold Rudenbecker was to be in my office to discuss placing in operation the various wells which you have been ordered to plug by the Oil Conservation Commission. To date Mr. Rudenbecker has not contacted me.

If Mr. Rudenbecker has not contacted me, or if satisfactory arrangements for the reworking or plugging of these wells have not been made by May 10th, 1964, I will instruct my adjuster in the Astec area to secure a well plugging contractor, and have the wells plugged as set forth in the Oil Conservation Commission order.

I believe that you have a copy of Order No. R-2688, Case No. 3014, specifying the following wells:

1. Wood Well No. 1 located in Unit H of Section 14.
2. Lohman Well No. 1 located in Unit C of Section 24.
3. Gale Well No. 1 located in Unit E of Section 24.
4. Seitzinger Well No. 1 located in Unit H of Section 23.

The order on Wood Well No. 1 specifies that plugging must be completed by May 15, 1964.

Further I call your attention to the indemnification portions of our bond which state that if it is necessary for us to plug these wells that we are entitled to recover all expenses from you. In this light, we intend to take possession of all salvagable pipe and material from



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Mr. Otter V. Reynolds

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the wells if we are required to plug them.

I sincerely urge you to take the necessary action to comply with the Oil Conservation Commission Order.

Very truly yours,

THE COMMERCIAL INSURANCE COMPANY

James E. Perry  
Claims Manager

JEP:dm

cc: Mr. Emery C. Arnold

~~cc: Mr. A. L. Porter, Jr.~~

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BEFORE THE  
NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION  
Santa Fe, New Mexico  
March 25, 1964

EXAMINER HEARING

IN THE MATTER OF:

In the matter of the hearing called by the Oil Conservation Commission on its own motion to permit Otto V. Reynolds and all other interested parties to appear and show cause why his Wood Well No. 1, Lohman Well No. 1 and Gale Well No. 1 and the Seitzinger Well No. 1, San Juan County, New Mexico, should not be plugged in accordance with a Commission-approved plugging program.

Case No. 3014

BEFORE: ELVIS A. UTZ, EXAMINER

TRANSCRIPT OF HEARING



NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

EXAMINER HEARING

SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

REGISTER

HEARING DATE MARCH 25, 1964 TIME: 9 A.M.

NAME:	REPRESENTING:	LOCATION:
<i>A. R. Kendrick</i>	<i>OCC</i>	<i>Ajaco, NM</i>
<i>Jason Kellah</i>	<i>Kellah &amp; Fox</i>	<i>Santa Fe</i>
<i>CARL L. WHIGHAM JR</i>	<i>TEXACO</i>	<i>MIDLAND</i>
<i>Chas. A. Guine</i>	<i>Texaco</i>	<i>Trinidad</i>
<i>L. C. W. H.</i>	<i>Shell</i>	<i>Santa Fe</i>

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Mr. Kendrick, who I would request be sworn at this time.

(Witness sworn)

A. R. KENDRICK.

called as a witness herein, having been first duly sworn, was examined and testified as follows:

DIRECT EXAMINATION

BY MR. DURRETT:

Q Will you please state your name and position for the record?

A A. R. Kendrick, Petroleum Engineer for the Oil Commission.

Q As part of your official duties, Mr. Kendrick, do you supervise the plugging of wells within your district and make recommendations to the Commission concerning the same?

A Yes, sir.

Q Are you familiar with the wells which are the subject matter of this case, the four wells involved?

A I am familiar with the Commission's records on these wells.

Q Do you have in your possession the official files of the Commission, usually designated as well files, concerning these wells?

A Yes, sir.

Q Would you please, Mr. Kendrick, refer to these well files



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and state to the Examiner whether or not these wells are located as shown on the docket in this case? Just proceed through each one there, if you would, and give a description of the well as to location.

A The W. G. Wood Well No. 1, located 330 feet from the South line and 1629 feet from the West line of Section 14, Township 29 North, Range 11 West.

Q Would that be Unit N?

A I believe it would, yes, sir.

Q All right.

A The Gale, G-a-l-e, Well Number 1 is located 2247 feet from the North line and 334 feet from the West line of Section 24, Township 29 North, Range 11 West. That would be in Unit E.

The Lohman Number 1 well is located 330 feet from the North line and 2310 feet from the West line of Section 24, Township 29 North, Range 11 West, in Unit C.

The Seitzinger Number 1 well is located 2310 feet from the North line and 990 feet from the East line of Section 23, Township 29 North, Range 11 West. That being in Unit H.

Q All right, sir. Thank you. Now, will you please refer to your well files once more and state to your Examiner whether or not Otto V. Reynolds is the operator as reflected by the Commission's official records?

A The Wood well and the Seitzinger well, the operator is





shown as Otto V. Reynolds. The first and second wells, the  
 operator is shown as Otto Reynolds by Otto V. Reynolds, owner.  
 There have been no changes of ownership filed with the district  
 office.

Q Now, will you please refer to your files and give the  
 examiner a very short summary of the history of these wells as  
 we have reflected in our records?

A The Number One Wood, we have not received a completed  
 Form C-106, so the total depth is unknown. Form C-107 states  
 that it has 77 3/4 feet of tubing.

MR. UTZ: This is the Wood well?

A That's correct. 2 7/8ths tubing was run in the hole.

MR. UTZ: Doesn't the completion report show 80 feet of  
 seven inch?

A We have not received a completion report. The C-103  
 shows 80 feet of seven inch surface pipe. It does not state that  
 it was cemented. The well is at a non-standard location for oil  
 production, and a non-standard location order was approved by  
 Order R-1690, that order being signed on June 7, 1960. Final  
 report received by the district office was the C-102, intent to  
 fracture the well, received in the district office on April 26,  
 1960. No subsequent report has been received. Actual operation  
 of a field pumping unit was installed and due to miscellaneous  
 correspondence in here, indicates that a fire wall was required to

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be constructed around the tank. By field inspection, I have determined that the tank, the pumping unit and tubing and rods have been removed from the location. The well is seeping small amount of water, and appears to be no oil or gas flow, and the well should be properly plugged and abandoned. The surface of the casing is covered with a casing protector with a piece of steel welded on it.

C All right, sir. Now, will you please refer to the next well?

A Number One Gale, the C-103 shows the well to be closed, this pending gas acreage allotment received in the district office in March, 21, 1960, C-105 received the same day, and shows seven inch casing set at 52 feet with 40 sacks of cement. 5 1/2 inch casing set at 865 feet with 80 sacks of cement. No gauge was indicated on the form. This well was one well of three referred to in Commission Order R-1723, wherein the applicant, Mr. Reynolds, and partner, John Yarbrough, applied for gas allowable on 160 acre spacing. This well is currently shut in. The last report having been received on March 21, 1960, and the order referred to was approved July 21, 1960. So far as we can determine, no subsequent action has been taken.

C All right, sir. Now, the next well.

A I would like to refer next to the Seitzinger well, which also was a well referred to in the order, Order R-1723. The last



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report filed on this well was received in the district office May 24, 1960. Form C-102 used for Form C-103 shows seven inch casing set at 63 feet with 30 sacks of cement, 2 1/2 inch EUE tubing ran to 886 feet, cemented with 78 sacks. Pressure tested and that 2 1/2 inch was then perforated from 840 to 847 feet with 4 shots per foot. That is the last report we have received on the Seitzinger well. It was received, I believe I stated on May 24, 1960. No subsequent action has been taken so far as we know.

Q All right, sir. Now, the Lohman well.

A The Number One Lohman was the third well referred to in Commission Order R-1723. We received Form C-103 on March 15, 1960, and refers to 74 feet of seven inch surface casing, cemented with 40 sacks; C-103 received March 15, 1960, states that the 2 7/8ths inch EUE tubing ran to 805 feet, cemented with 80 sacks. An aluminum bridge plug set at 760 feet, perforated interval 740 feet to 750 feet with 4 shots per foot. Form C-105 received in the district office on March 21, 1960, seven inch casing not cemented. No mention of 2 7/8ths tubing. A gauge was indicated that an estimated 250 MCF per day was present with a shut in pressure of 410 pounds after one hour. In April, 1960, Form C-102 was received, perforations of 707 feet to 711 feet with four shots per foot, and on April 20, 1961, a C-103 was received. Subsequent report shows well was perforated and sand-oil fractured. This was the last report we received on this well. And so far as we



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know, no subsequent action has been taken on this well.

Q What is the date of that last report, please, Mr. Kendrick?

A This last report was dated or received in the district office April 20, 1961.

Q Now, Mr. Kendrick, would it be your opinion, based upon your testimony that you have given here today, and the information that is reflected in the Commission's official files concerning these four wells, that all four of the wells have been abandoned?

A From all appearances, the wells have been abandoned. The operator has left the area. The Number One Wood is in a position and condition of abandonment having not been properly plugged, but has been abandoned.

Q Now, do you feel that this Wood well should be plugged, Mr. Kendrick?

A Yes, sir, I think the Wood well should be plugged immediately.

Q Is it your opinion that the well should be plugged in order to confine all of the oils, gas and water in the strata originally containing them?

A Yes, sir.

Q And do you have a plugging program concerning that well that you would recommend to the Examiner?

A If the 2 7/8ths inch casing is cemented with 80 sacks



as stated at 773 feet, 20 sacks of cement will fill that string completely from surface to the formation. Therefore, a 30 sack type plug would completely fill that because the operator has stated that the cement was circulated.

Q That would be to fill from- -

A Total depth to the surface.

Q With cement?

A With cement, yes, sir.

Q All right, sir.

A 30 sacks is just about the minimum load to haul cement to a location. That would be sufficient to fill this hole from total depth to the surface.

Q And you would also recommend a regulation marker at the surface?

A This well is located within a town lot, in the Township of Bloomfield, and I would recommend that if possible, we can omit the surface marker.

Q You don't feel it would accomplish anything in this particular case?

A No, sir.

Q All right, sir.

A It is not so remote that a marker would be necessary to find the location.

Q And is it your opinion that waste will result if this



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Q And that they will result in waste if not properly plugged or connected and produced within the immediate future?

A Well, they stand that chance.

Q Do you feel that if they are not connected within the 60 days that they should be plugged in a manner that will prevent the escaping of oil, gas or water from the strata originally containing them?

A Yes, sir.

Q Would you feel, Mr. Kendrick, that there is a very strong possibility that the reservoir energy will be dissipated in the future if these wells are not connected or produced, if they are just allowed to stand for an indefinite period of time?

A Yes, sir.

Q And do you have a plugging program that you would recommend to the Examiner that you feel would prevent waste and contain the oil, gas and water in their original strata?

A As stated in the case of the Number One Wood, 30 sacks of cement would fill the producing string of casing in each of these wells.

Q And in these wells, would you recommend a marker be placed?

A I hardly think a marker would be necessary. They are not remote locations. They are in tillable fields, and I hardly think a marker would be necessary to refind the location.



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Q Then, just as you were going down, you went down to depth to the bottom?

A Yes, sir.

Q With just your hands? Did you have anything else in the case that you were using? Did you have anything else in the case you were in? Did you have anything else in the case?

A Nothing else.

Q What was the object?

A A-172.

Q All right, sir.

MR. DURNLEY: I am examining the case, I would have like the Examiner take administrative notice of the 3 admissions: official well file concerning each of these we are that we are dealing with here today, and I would like to request that the Examiner take administrative notice of True 2007 and not of the testimony and evidence presented therein, in a case Order No. R-1723, which resulted from that hearing.

MR. DURNLEY: The Examiner has already taken administrative notice of the well file in each of these wells and will study the case in 2007.

MR. DURNLEY: Thank you, Mr. Examiner. That will conclude my examination of Mr. Hendrick.

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CROSS EXAMINATION

BY MR. UTZ:

Q Mr. Kendrick, did you say the Gale, Seitzinger and Lohman are in tillable fields?

A Yes, sir.

Q Well, then, if we don't put a marker on them, they will probably till right over the top of the well, wouldn't they?

A That's correct.

Q And would they still have the casing? They have a well head on them, do they not?

A They have a well head on them at the present time, but I assume that the well head would be removed before a marker would be placed and it is quite possible that the operator of the surface acreage, farming or ranching activities, on the surface would prefer to cut off the surface casing below the plow point and continue to cultivate the acreage above the well head.

Q You would say that neither of these four wells would need a monument such that we could afford to do away with the usual four by four inch marker?

A Yes, sir.

Q Now, in the event that some of these production strings are not cemented as stated, will 30 sacks of cement be sufficient?

A Yes, sir, I think the 30 sacks would be sufficient to seal off the producible formations and isolate the water formations



above it so that it will not flow back, and then--

Q Your next question is, would you want to pump the cement to circulate back down the hole to the bottom?

A No, I would not want to pump the cement to the surface if it is not necessary. I would like to have the oil productive zone sealed off from the water sands, which are above.

Q Which way would you recommend to seal the casing then?

A Well, there are a few ways to do this, some involve the casing.

Q Well, would you recommend that the casing be left full of cement?

A At the time of cement completion, yes.

Q Pumped in under pressure?

A That's correct.

Q I am wondering if it wouldn't be better maybe to just specify that the cement would be pumped in under pressure and the casing left filled with the cement to the surface, regardless of how many sacks it took.

A That would be sufficient.

Q At any rate, you are recommending that the well be plugged and abandoned immediately?

A That's correct.

Q Give him 30 days to connect the other wires, then plug them



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Q Now, on the...  
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operation?

Q Do you...  
operation?

Yes, sir.

Q I don't mean just to...  
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A That's correct.

Q He did not...  
letter of March 21st, 1964, pertaining to...  
Mr. DUBRETT: I certainly would give no...  
Mr. Examiner. He received another one this morning...  
line.

A I would suggest that the Examiner might have administrative  
notice of the line, or the letters pertaining to the case.

Mr. 124: The Examiner has none so, except for the letter  
received this morning. Are there other questions in this case?

A I would like to make one other remark relative to the  
three wells that are possibly profitable. In line with the 60 days



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authorization for connection, I would also like to offer a 30 day period for plugging for each of those beyond the 60 day period.

MR. UTZ: All right, sir. Does that complete your testimony?

A Yes, sir.

MR. UTZ: There were no exhibits other than the Commission's well files, were there?

MR. DURRETT: No, sir, there were no exhibits other than the Commission's files.

MR. UTZ: Are there statements to be made in this case? The case will be taken under advisement.

The hearing will be adjourned.

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COUNTY OF BERNALILLO

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

WITNESS my Hand and Seal of Office, this 31st day of March, 1964.

*Roy D. Wilkins*  
NOTARY PUBLIC

My Commission Expires:  
September 6, 1967.

I do hereby certify that the foregoing is  
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*[Signature]* Examiner  
New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission

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