Case Number 5995

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October 14, 1977

Mr. Brad W. Fischer Tenneco Oil Company Lincoln Tower Building, Suite 1200 Conver, Colorado 80203 File RLS

Re: New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission Case No. 5995, Order R-5506

Dear Brad:

Based on the data you have supplied regarding other injection wells in the South Hospah Upper Sand Oil Pool, the fracture gradient of 0.92 appears reasonable.

Therefore, the wellhead pressure limit shall be 816 psig until such time as better information is available and a new determination is made.

If there are further questions, please contact us.

Yours very truly,

A. R. Kendrick

Supervisor, District #3

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1 2 3	BEFORE THE NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION Santa Fe, New Mexico 20 July 1977	
4	EXAMINER HEARING	
5 6	IN THE MATTER OF:	
7 8	Application of Tenneco Oil Company for dual) completions and waterflood expansions, McKinîey County, New Mexico.	CASE 5995
9	BEFORE: Richard L. Stamets	
11	TRANSCRIPT OF HEARING	
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Applicant Exhibit Number One, Plat

Applicant Exhibit Number Two, Schematic

Applicant Exhibit Number Three, Schematic

Applicant Exhibit Number Four, Water Analysis

Applicant Exhibit Number Five, Water Analysis

Applicant Exhibit Number Seven, Water Analysis

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MR. STAMETS: Call Case Number 5995.

MS. TESCHENDORF: Case 5995. Application of Tenneco
Oil Company for dual completions and waterflood expansions,
McKinley County, New Mexico.

MR. KELLAHIN: Tom Kellahin of Kellahin and Fox,
Santa Fe, New Mexico, appearing on behalf of the applicant and
I have one witness to be sworn.

(Witness sworn.)

BRAD W. FISCHER

being called as a witness and being duly sworn upon his oath, testified as follows, to-wit:

DIRECT EXAMINATION

BY MR. KELLAHIN:

- Q. Would you please state your name, by whom you're employed, and in what capacity?
- A. My name is Brad Fischer. I'm employed by Tenneco as a Senior Production Engineer.
- Q. Mr. Fischer, have you previously testified before the Commission and had your qualifications as an expert witness accepted and made a matter of record?
 - A. No, I have not, and no, they have not.
- Q All right. Would you state briefly for the benefit of the Examiner when and where you obtained your degree?

I receive a Bachelor of Science in Mechanical En-

Would you locate for me the Hospah Unit Wells 58 and

These wells are located in Section 12 of Township

17 North, Range 9 West; they're in Blocks F and G.

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2	gineering from the University of Nebraska in 1972.
3	Q. Since graduation where have you been employed and
4	in what capacity?
5	A. I've been employed by Texaco, Incorporated, in their
6	domestic producing department in California as a Petroleum
7	Engineer and an Area Engineer, and more recently I've been
8	employed by Tenneco Rocky Mountain Division in Denver, Colorado
9	as a Senior Production Engineer.
10	Q. In your capacity as a Senior Production Engineer,
11	have you made a study of and are you familiar with the facts
12	surrounding this particular application?
13	A. Yes, I have, and I am familiar with the case.
14	MR. KELLAHIN: If the Examiner please, are the
15	witness' qualifications acceptable?
16	MR. STAMETS: They are.
17	Q. (Mr. Kellahin continuing.) Mr. Fischer, would you
18	refer to what I've marked as Applicant Exhibit Number One.
19	Would you identify that plat for me, please, sir?
20	A. This is a plat of the Hospah, South Hospah, and Lone
21	Pine Fields in McKinley County, New Mexico.

Q. What is Tenneco seeking by this application?

A. We are seeking permission to dually complete Wells 58 and 59 in the Upper and Lower Hospah Formation so that we might better improve our overall injection in the south central portion of the Upper Hospah Sand on our property. The wells are presently single completion water injection wells in the Lower Hospah-Gallup Formation.

Q. What is the date and Order Number authorizing this waterflood project?

A. The original order number authorizing this waterflood in the Upper Hospah Formation is R-3325 and the date is the 4th of October, 1967.

Q. All right, sir. Would you continue by identifying what I have marked as Tenneco Exhibit Number Two?

A. Exhibit Number Two is a schematic of the mechanical condition as we propose to complete water injection well Number 58. It shows an open hole completion in the Lower Hospah Formation. It shows proposed perforated interval of 1598 to 1618 feet, which is the Upper Hospah Sand. It also shows a method of conducting water yo these perforations; that is, we would have two separate strings of tubing and we would isolate the injecting intervals with the use of mechanical packers.

Q Okay, I show you what is marked as Applicant Exhibit Number Three, and ask you to identify that.

A. Exhibit Number Three is essentially the same drawing with pertinent information for Well Number 59 superimposed.

Again it shows that we're conducting injected water to the formation of interest with separate tubular strings and mechanical packers.

- Q. What would be the source of the water to be injected into the Upper Hospah?
- A. The source of water to be injected in the Upper Hospah is produced water from the Upper Hospah Formation and also from the Lower Hospah Formation. This water is produced separately and it's commingled at our water injection plant as it goes into the suction of our water injection pumps. It is then carried by separate systems to the individual wells the injection wells in the Upper or the Lower system.
- Q. Would you identify what I have marked as Applicant Exhibit Number Four and explain what information it contains?
- A. Exhibit Number Four is a water analysis; there is actually water analysis of the Upper produced water and the Lower produced water. There are essentially no conflicts that I can see and our production history suggests that there's no adverse affects of commingling these waters, either in the form of mechanical difficulties related to scale or damage to the formation in the -- such as damage to the clay swelling, or this sort of thing in the reservoir itself.
 - Q. I show you what is marked as Applicant Exhibit Number

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Five and ask you to identify that.

- A. This is actually the analysis of the Upper Zone, and it tells you basically the same thing as the Lower Zone.
 - Q All right, and Exhibit Number Seven, then?
- A. Number Seven is the analysis of the commingled water at the water plant.
- Q. What do you anticipate to be the volume of water to be injected into the Upper Hospah Zone?
- A. This volume will be determined by the injection pressures we experience at the wellhead. Past experience would suggest between 500 and 1000 barrels per day rate and the pressures would be, perhaps, 750 to 850 pounds at the wellhead on an Upper Hospah injector.
- Q. Have you made any calculations of the fractured gradient for the Upper Hospah Formation?
- A. Yes, I have. The fracture gradient throughout the Upper Hospah Field on Section 12 has averaged 1.0 psi per foot with a variation of about .05 psi throughout the area. This is an abnormally high gradient, I believe but it is representative of our findings in the area.
 - MR. STAMETS: You said plus or minus .05?
- A. Yes. In other words, from approximately .95 to approximately 1.05 psi per foot.
- Q Will your maximum injection pressure be below the fracture gradient?

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A. Yes, it will.

Q. Would you describe for the Examiner where, if any, are the fresh water zones in these particular wells?

A. I do not have an electrical log available with me; however, I believe from my knowledge of this area that they are limited to around 500 foot in depth from the surface. This would be nearly 1000 foot above our proposed injection interval.

- Q What is the depth of your proposed injection interval
- A. This would be approximately 1600 feet in each case to the top of the Upper Hospah Formation.
- Q. What is the quality of the cemnting job that was done in Wells 58 and 59?

A. My examination of our records suggests that we had a good cement job to the surface and I would expect that we would have good cement bonding and that we would therefore have a good barrier between the proposed injection interval and horizons above that interval.

- Q. In your opinion, Mr. Fischer, is there any potential contamination to the fresh water sources in the area?
- A. No, sir, I do not believe so. We are using two strings of tubulars between the zone and our produced water.

 We're having a competent cement zone outside our pipe and I do not believe there's a likelihood of contamination of surface waters.

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- Q. Were Exhibits One through Five prepared at your direction and under your supervision?
 - Manager Yes, they were.
- Q In your opinion, Mr. Fischer, will approval of this application be in the best interests of conservation, the prevention of waste and the protection of correlative rights?
 - A. Yes, I do.

MR. KELLAHIN: If the Examiner please, our advertisement in this case did not set forth a request for administrative approval for further expansion or increase in the waterflood project that is often allowed by other similar Commission orders. We would like the opportunity to have this case readvertised or take the necessary action to include an administrative procedure so that we might avoid coming back for a hearing in the event we incur the need to drill additional wells for the waterflood project.

That concludes our case and we move the introduction of Exhibits One through Five.

MR. STAMETS: These exhibits will be admitted.

Primarily what you would be interested in would be a procedure which would allow you to complete these wells in unorthodox locations.

MR. KELLAHIN: That's correct, to avoid us coming back for another hearing in the event we have this problem.

It may require re-advertisement, I don't know.

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CROSS EXAMINATION

BY MR. STAMETS:

Q. Mr. Fischer, will the tubing that you propose to use here be internally coated or in some other way protected from corrosion?

A. No, sir, it will not. We have not experienced corrosion in our existing wells, although they are internally coated in some instances. We have no evidence of corrosive waters here and we would not wish to incur the additional expense at this time.

Q. Okay. Now, do you propose to load the annulus, engage the surface, or leave the surface open to detect for leaks?

A. It would be my desire to leave the surface open and another way of saying that would be not load the annulus.

Q But to leave it open at the surface so that you could --

A. Yes, we could see if it was a leak; it would start to flow out the casing.

Q. On your map here how have you identified injection wells?

A. Injection wells in the Upper Hospah are identified with a circle and a diagonal line. This is in the legend at the bottom of the map and in the Lower Hospah injectors have

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the same symbol with the addition of the square around the entire arrangement.

I would call your attention then to the red arrow marking Wells 58 and 59. These would be the symbolology for a Lower Hospah water injector, and also -- I'm sorry, Mr. Examiner, I think I've confused myself here on this question.

We have a symbol for an Upper injector of a circle with a diagnonal line, and in these Lower injectors we have the same symbol with a square. We do not have a symbol here representing a dual situation, which I guess would require another symbol.

Q Well Number 23 in the southwest quarter of Section 12, is that an injection well?

A. Yes, this is also a different type of a situation altogether. It's liste's -- you'll see the subscript $K_{\mathrm{DA},\mathrm{B},\mathrm{D}}$. This is a Dakota completion, a gas well, which is --

Q That's a dual completion with one zone injection, is that correct?

A. I believe that is correct, yes. This would be outside of the concept of what I would like to talk about. What we actually have on this map are Dakota wells and Gallup wells plotted on a common map to show the surface location of all wells, wellbores, within a two-mile radius of the proposed wells 58 and 59.

MR. STAMETS: Any other questions of the witness?

Mr. Ramey?

MR. RAMEY: Mr. Fischer, when you said your method of injection wouldn't affect surface waters, I assume you meant ground waters, also?

A. I actually would mean ground waters, yes.

MR. STAMETS: Any other questions of the witness? He may be excused.

Mr. Fischer, what we were talking about here, the new Federal Underground Injection Control Program Regulations that we expect to come out any day, require a summary of all the wells -- this is off the record.

(There followed a discussion off the record.)
(Hearing concluded.)

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DIRECTOR JOE D. RAMEY

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LAND COMMISSIONER PHIL R. LUCERO August 12, 1977



STATE GEOLOGIST EMERY C. ARNOLD

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Mr. Tom Kellahin Kellahin & Fox	Re:	CASE NO ORDER NO	5995 R-5506	
Attorneys at Law Post Office Box 1769 Santa Fe, New Mexico		Applicant:		
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Dear Sir:		٠		· .
Enclosed herewith are to Commission order recent Yours very truly,				
JOE D. RAMEY Director				
JDR/fd				
Copy of order also sent	to:			
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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. 5995 Order No. R-5506

APPLICATION OF TENNECO OIL COMPANY FOR DUAL COMPLETIONS AND WATERFLOOD EXPANSIONS, MCKINLEY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

BY THE COMMISSION:

This cause came on for hearing at 9 a.m. on July 20, 1977, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner Richard L. Stamets.

NOW, on this 9th day of August, 1977, 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, Tenneco Oil Company, seeks authority to expand its South Hospah-Upper Sand and South Hospah-Lower Sand Waterflood Projects by dually completing its Hospah Unit Wells Nos. 58 and 59, located in Units F and G, respectively, of Section 12, Township 17 North, Range 9 West, McKinley County, New Mexico, in such a manner as to permit water injection into each of said zones through parallel strings of tubing.
- (3) That the applicant proposes to complete said Hospah Unit Wells Nos. 58 and 59 with parallel strings of tubing, packers set immediately above the injection intervals, and provide for testing to determine any leakage of the tubing, casing or upper packers.
- (4) That the mechanics of the proposed dual completions are feasible and in accordance with good conservation practices.
- (5) That before injection into either of said wells should begin, the applicant should consult with the supervisor of the Commission's district office at Aztec to determine an injection pressure limitation such as to preclude fracturing of the confining strata.

- (6) That the operator should take all steps necessary to ensure that the injected water enters only the proposed injection interval and is not permitted to escape to other formations or onto the surface.
- (7) That approval of the subject application will prevent the drilling of unnecessary wells and otherwise prevent waste and protect correlative rights.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

(1) That the applicant, Tenneco Oil Company, is hereby granted authority to expand its South Hospah-Upper Sand and South Hospah-Lower Sand Waterflood Projects by dually completing its Hospah Unit Wells Nos. 58 and 59, located in Units F and G, respectively, of Section 12, Township 17 North, Range 9 West, NMPM, McKinley County, New Mexico, in such a manner as to permit water injection into each of said zones.

PROVIDED HOWEVER, that each of said wells shall be equipped with parallel strings of 2 1/16-inch tubing, packers set immediately above each injection zone, and that the casing-tubing annulus shall be filled with an inert fluid; and that a pressure gauge shall be attached to the annulus or the annulus shall be equipped with an approved leak detection device in order to determine leakage in the casing, tubing, or packer.

- (2) That prior to commencing injection into either of the subject wells, the operator shall consult with the supervisor of the Commission's district office at Aztec to determine an injection pressure limitation such as to preclude fracturing of the confining strata in said projects.
- (3) That the injection wells or systems shall be equipped with pop-off valves or acceptable substitutes which will limit the wellhead pressure on the injection wells to a pressure no higher than that determined pursuant to Order No. (2) above.
- (4) 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 herein-above designated.

STATE OF NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

PHINZ R. LUCERO, Chairman

EMERY CARNOLD, Member

JCE D. RAMEY, Member & Secretary

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Dockets Nos. 25-77 and 26-77 are tentatively set for hearing on August 3 and August 17, 1977. Applications for hearing must be filed at least 22 days in advance of hearing date.

DOCKET: EXAMINER HEARING - WEDNESDAY - JULY 20, 1977

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

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

- ALLOWABLE: (1) Consideration of the allowable production of gas for August, 1977, from fifteen provated pools in Lea, Eddy, Chaves, and Roosevelt Counties, New Mexico.
 - (2) Consideration of the allowable production of gas for August, 1977, from four prorated pools in San Juan, Rio Arriba, and Sandoval Counties, New Mexico.
- CASE 5982: Application of Sam H. Snoddy for directional drilling and a non-standard gas proration unit, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for the directional drilling of two 14,000-foot Morrow gas wells in Unit P of Section 25, Township 20 South, Range 32 East, South Salt Lake-Morrow Gas Pool, Lea County, New Mexico, one of which would be vertically drilled to a depth of 4000 feet from a surface location 660 feet from the South line and 760 feet from the East line of said Section 25, then directionally drilled in a North-Northwesterly direction and bottomed in the approximate center of the NF/4 of said Section 25, the N/2 of the section being dedicated to the well; the other well would be vertically drilled to a depth of 4000 feet from a surface location 760 feet from the South line and 660 feet from the East line of said Section 25, then directionally drilled in a West-Northwesterly direction and bottomed in the approximate center of the SW/4 of said Section 25, which would be a 160-acre non-standard unit for said well.
- CASE 5983: Application of Yates Petroleum Corporation for the amendment of Order No. R-5445, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks the amendment of Order No. R-5445 to provide for a 200 percent risk factor for drilling the unit well rather than 20 percent. Said order pooled the N/2 of Section 19, Township 20 South, Range 25 Fast, Eddy County, New Mexico.
- CASE 5984: Application of Morris R. Antweil for compulsory pooling, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests in and underlying the N/2 of Section 20, Township 18 South, Range 25 East, Eddy County, New Mexico, to be dedicated to a well to be drilled at a standard location thereon. Also to be considered will be the cost of drilling and completing said well and the allocation of the cost thereof, as well as actual operating costs and charges for supervision. Also to be considered will be the designation of applicant as operator of the well and a charge for risk involved in drilling said well.
- CASE 5985: Application of Orla Petco, Inc., for an unorthodox gas well location, Eddy County, New Mexico.

 Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for the unorthodox location of its B. K.

 Morrison Well No. 1 to be located 1980 feet from the South line and 660 feet from the West line
 of Section 5, Township 19 South, Range 26 East, Eddy County, New Mexico, the S/2 of said Section
 5 to be dedicated to the well.
- CASE 5986: Application of J. Gregory Merrion for downhole commingling, Ric Arribe County, New Mexico.

 Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for the downhole commingling of Devils
 Fork-Gallup and Mesaverde production in the wellbore of his Edna Well No. 2 located in Unit O
 of Section 7, Township 24 North, Range 6 West, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico.
- Application of Getty 0il Company for downhole commingling, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico.

 Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approved for the downhole commingling of Gallup,

 Mesaverde, and Dakota production in the wellbore of its C. W. Roberts Well No. 5, located in

 Unit F of Section 17, Township 25 North, Range 3 West, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico. Applicant
 also seeks approval for the reopening of its C. W. Roberts Wells Nos. 3 and 4 and its Lydia

 Rentz Well No. 4 to commingle Dakota, Mesaverde, and possibly Gallup production within the

 wellbores of the above-described wells located in Units O, M, and A of Sections 18, 17, and 19,
 respectively, of the same township.
- CASE 5988: Application of Continental Oil Company for three unorthodox locations, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an exception to Rule 2-A of the Blanco-Mesaverde Gas Pool Rules, to permit the drilling of its AXI Apache "N" Wells Nos. 12 and 14 in the NW/4 of Sections 11 and 1, respectively, and its AXI Apache "O" Well No. 10 in the SF/4 of Section 3, all in Township 25 North, Range 4 West, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico. Fach of said wells is the first Mesaverde well on its proration unit.

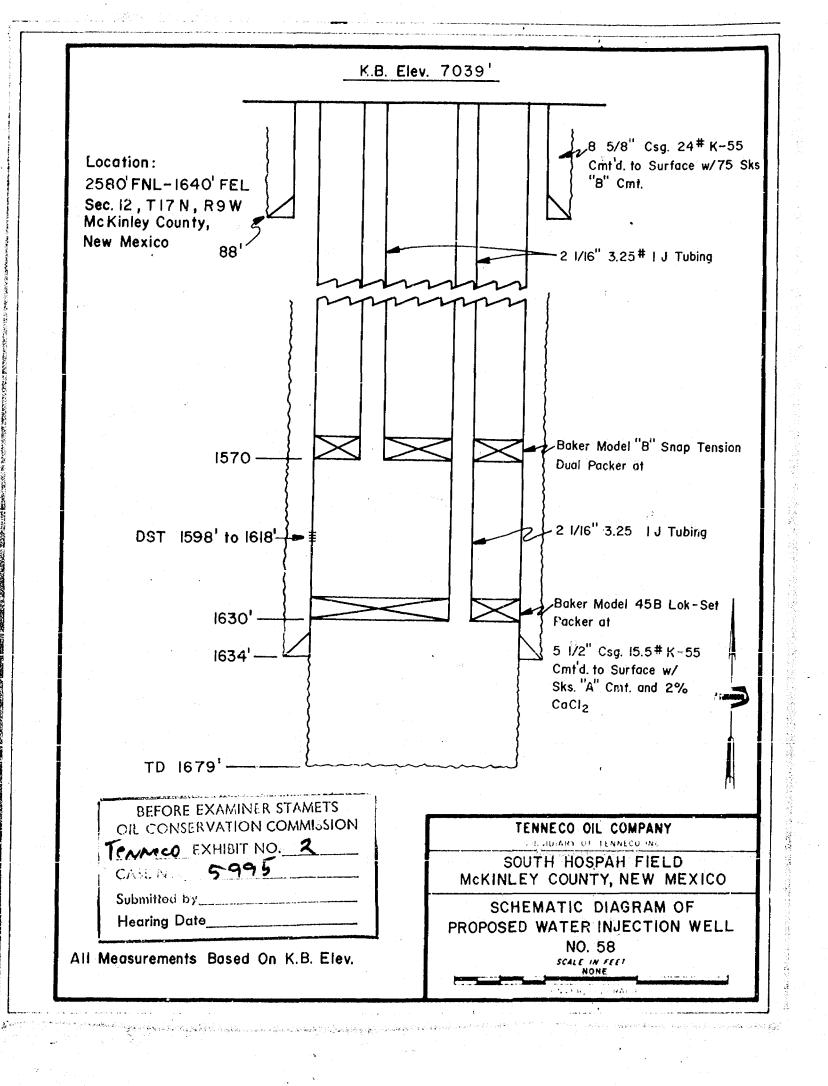
- CASE 5939: Application of Continental Oil Company for an unorthodox oil well location, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for the unorthodox location of its Marshall Well No. 8 to be located 2600 feet from the South line and 1230 feet from the West line of Section 19, Township 23 South, Range 33 Fast, Cruz-Delaware Pool, Lea County, New Mexico.
- CASE 5990: Application of Continental Oil Company for an unorthodox location, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico.

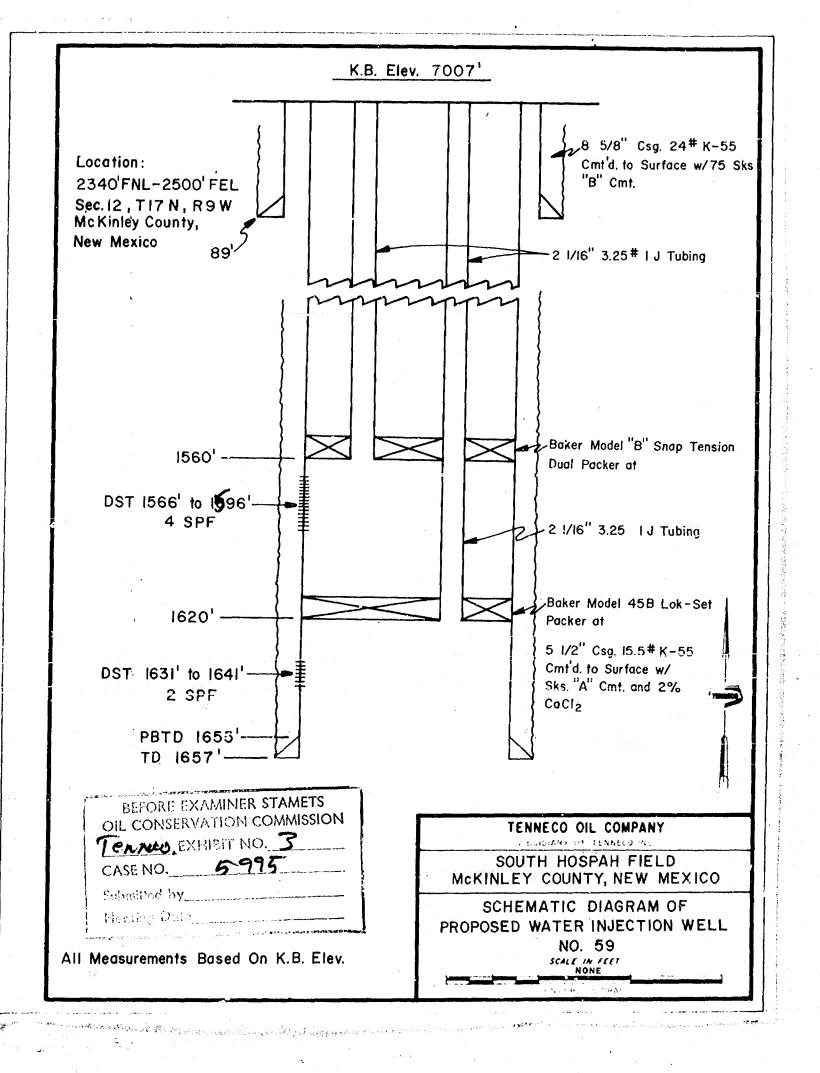
 Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for the unorthodox location of its AXI Apache
 "D" Well No. 5 to be located 2310 feet from the North line and 390 feet from the West line of
 Section 19, Township 24 North, Range 4 West, Ballard-Pictured Cliffs Pool, Rio Arriba County,
 New Mexico.
- CASE 5991: Application of Continental Oil Company for capacity allowable, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for a capacity allowable for its Pearl "B" Well No. 4 located 330 feet from the South line and 2310 feet from the West line of Section 25, Township 17 South, Range 32 East, Maljarar Grayburg-San Andres Pool, Lea County, New Mexico.
- CASE 5992: Application of Burleson & Nuff for compulsory pooling and a non-standard unit, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests underlying the SE/4 NW/4 of Section 14, Township 24 South, Range 36 Fast, Jalmat 6as Pool, Lea County, New Mexico, to form a non-standard 40-acre gas proration unit to be dedicated to applicant's Cooper Well No. 1 located in Unit F of said Section 14, or in the alternative to drill another well at a standard location thereon. Also to be considered will be the cost of recompletion or of drilling and completing the unit well and the allocation of the cost thereof, as well as actual operating costs and charges for supervision. Also to be considered will be the designation of applicant as operator of the well and a charge for risk involved in recompleting or drilling said well.
- CASE 5993: Application of Lively Exploration Company for an exception to the provisions of Order No. R-5459, San Juan County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an exception to the provisions of Order No. R-5459 to exclude its Chaera Well No. 7Y in Unit E of Section 35, Township 30 North, Range 8 West, San Juan County, New Mexico, from the vertical limits of the Blanco-Mesaverde Pool as defined by said order.
- CASE 5994: Application of Tenneco Oil Company for an exception to the provisions of Order No. R-5459, San Juan County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an exception to the provisions of Order No. R-5459 to exclude its Florance Well No. 29-A in Unit F of Section 25, and its Northeast Blanco Unit Well No. 64 in Unit P of Section 24, both in Township 30 North, Range 8 West, San Juan County, New Mexico, from the vertical limits of the Blanco-Mesaverde Pool.
- CASE 5995: Application of Tenneco Oil Company for dual completions and waterflood expansions, McKinley County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks authority to expand its South Hospah-Upper Sand and -Lower Sand Waterflood Projects by dually completing its Hospah Unit Wells Nos. 58 and 59, located in Units F and G, respectively, of Section 12, Township 17 North, Range 9 West, McKinley County, New Mexico, in such a manner as to permit water injection into each of said zones thru parallel strings of tubing.
- Application of Petroleum Corporation of Texas 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 the perforated interval from 6852 feet to 6877 feet in its Dexter Federal Well No. 3 located in Unit I of Section 22, Township 17 South, Range 30 Fast, Jackson Abo Pool, Eddy County, New Mexico.
- CASE 5997: Application of Atlantic Richfield Company for a unit agreement, Lea County, New Mexico.

 Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for its East Drinkard Unit Area comprising 3080 acres, more or less, of Federal and fee lands in Sections 11, 12, 13, 14, 23 and 24, Township 21 South, Range 37 East, Lea County, New Mexico.
- CASE 5998: Application of A lantic Richfield Company for a waterflood project, Lea County, New Mexico.
 Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks authority to institute a waterflood project on its
 East Drinkard Unit Area, Lea County, New Mexico, by the injection of water into the Drinkard
 formation through 30 wells.
- CASE 5999: Application of Atlantic Richfield Company for a unit agreement, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for its Fast Blinebry Unit Area comprising 3080 acres, more or less, of Federal and fee lands in Sections 11, 12, 13, 14, 23, and 24, Township 21 South, Range 37 East, Lea County, New Mexico.
- CASE 6000: Application of Atlantic Richfield Company for a waterflood project, Lea County, New Mexico.

 Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks authority to institute a waterflood project on its
 East Blinebry Unit Area, Lea County, New Mexico, by the injection of water into the Blinebry
 formation through 38 wells.





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TENNECO DIL CO. COUNTY SAN JUAN HOSPAH COMPANY LEASE ADDRESS FARMINGTON, N.M. FIELD WELL NO. LOWER FORMATION **ATTENTION** DEPTH RECENT TREATMENT DATE SAMPLE SAMPLED SOURCE

WATER ANALYSIS

SPECIFIC GRAVITY	1.0000	AT 75F	рн 9.30		
<i>:</i>	MG/L	MES	,	MG/L	MEQ
CHLORIDE	500.00	14.08	CALCIUM	16.00	0.80
BICARBUNATE	649.04	10.64	MAGNESTUM	163.00	14.00
SULFATE	880.00	18.33	DISS. IRON	0.00	0.00
SULFIDE	PRE	ESENT	SODIUM	649.93	28.26
TOTAL HARDNESS	1100.00		TOTAL DISSOLVED SOLIDS	2862.97	86.12

7.000 UHM METERS AT 75F

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ANALYST

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ANALYTICAL SERVICE LABORATORY

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COMPANY TENNECO OIL CO.

COUNTY SAN JUAN

LEASE HOSPAH

ADDRESS FARM

FARMINGTON, N.M.

FIELD

WELL NO. UPPER

ATTENTION

FORMATION

DEPTH

RECENT TREATMENT

DATE Sampled SAMPLE SOURCE

WATER ANALYSIS

SPECIFIC GRAVIT	Y 1.0000	AT 75F	PH 9.60		
•	MG/L	MEQ	3	MG/L	MEQ
CHLURIDE	1400.00	39.44	CALCIUM	440.00	22.00
BICARBONATE	912.56	14.96	MAGNESIUM	72.00	6.00
SULFATE	450.00	9.38	DISS. IRON	0.00	0.00
SULFIDE	PRE	SENT	SODIUM	822.75	35.77
TOTAL HARDNESS	1400.00		TOTAL DISSOLVED SOLIDS	4097.31	127.54

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SCALING TENDENCIES

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ANALYTICAL SERVICE LABORATORY REPORT

WATER ANALYSIS

Company:

TENNECO OIL COMPANY FARMINGTON, NEW MEXICO

DISTRICT 15

Date Printed Analysis No. 1-Mar-77

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NALCO CHEMICAL COMPANY

Remarks: ALL ANALYSIS RUN IN FIELD

REGIONAL ANALYTICAL LABORATORIES

Anaheim, CA 92805

R. a. GIL DAE (3) D. G. CORSE H. H. KLDY

6216 W. 66th Place Chicago, Illinois 60638 Box 16A Paulsboro, NJ 08066 Box 87 Sugar Land, TX 77478

P. O. BOX B7 . SUGAR LAND, TEXAB 77478

Tenneco Oil A Tenneco Company

Suite 1200 Lincoln Tower Building Denver, Colorado 80203 (303) 292-9920



June 10, 1977

State of New Mexico Oil & Gas Conservation Commission Box 2088 Santa Fe, New Mexico 87501

CIL CONSERVATION COMM. Santa Fo

Re: Application for Multiple Completion -Section C, Rule 112-A - Tenneco Oil Company Hospah Well Nos. 32, 58 and

Gentlemen:

We are attaching in duplicate our Applications for Multiple Completion (Form C-107), diagrammatic sketch, well location plat, and copies of the producing pay zones of the Formation Density Logs or Gamma Ray Logs for the above captioned wells in order to secure permits to dually produce our Hospah No. 32 well and dually inject into our Hospah Well Nos. 58 and 59.

Our Hospah No. 32 is the only well having an offset operator other than Tenneco. We have submitted a copy of our application for this well to Tesoro Petroleum Company and are requesting that they submit the waiver letter direct to your office.

If any further information is needed, please contact our office.

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Tesoro Petroleum Co. hereby waives any objections to Tenneco Oil Company proposed dual completion of Hospah No. 32 in the Upper and Lower zones.

> Title Tesoro Petroleum Company

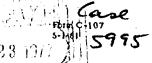
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OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION BOX 2088		DATE	6.20.77	
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NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO APPLICATION FOR MULTIPLE COMPLETION



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Operator		County		Date	
Tenneco Oil Company		McKinl Lease	McKinley 6-10-77		
1860 Lincoln, Suite 1200,	Denver, Co. 8029		208	Hospah #58	
of Well F	12	Township 17 North		Range 9 West	
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3. The following facts are submitted:	Upper Zone		Intermediate Zone	Lower Zone	
a. Name of Pool and Formation	Upper Hospah			Lower Hospah	
o. Top and Bottom of Pay Section				1656' ~ 1679'	l
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CERTIFICATE: I, the undersigned Company oder my supervision and direction and	(company), and that I am	authorized by sai	d company to make this	s report; and that this report	was prepare
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*Should waivers from all offset operators not accompany an application for administrative approval, the New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission will hold the application for a period of twenty (20) days from date of receipt by the Commission's Santa Fe office. If, after said twenty-day period, no protest nor request for hearing is received by the Santa Fe office, the application will then be processed.

NOTE: If the proposed multiple completion will result in an unorthodox well location and/or a non-standard proration unit in one or more of the producing zones, then separate application for approval of the same should be filed simultaneously with this application.

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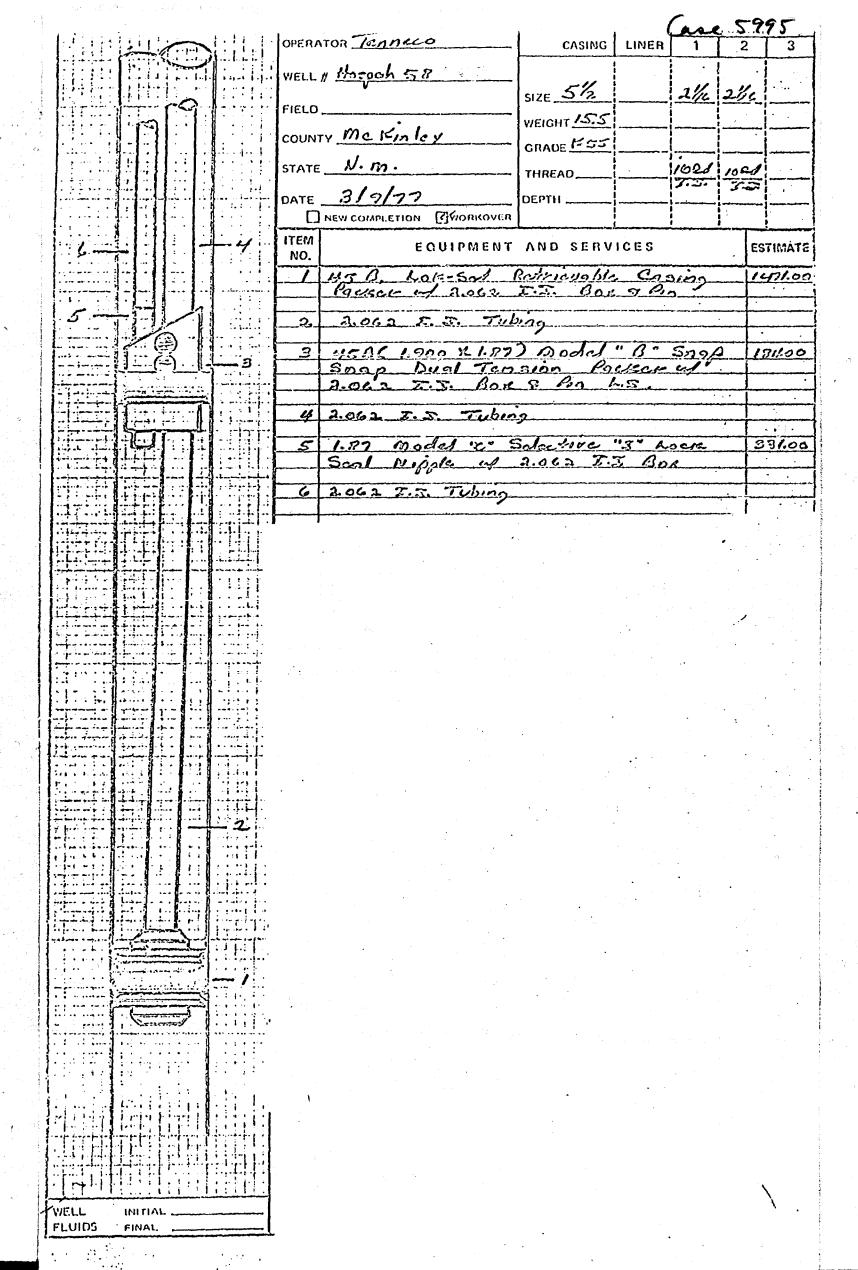
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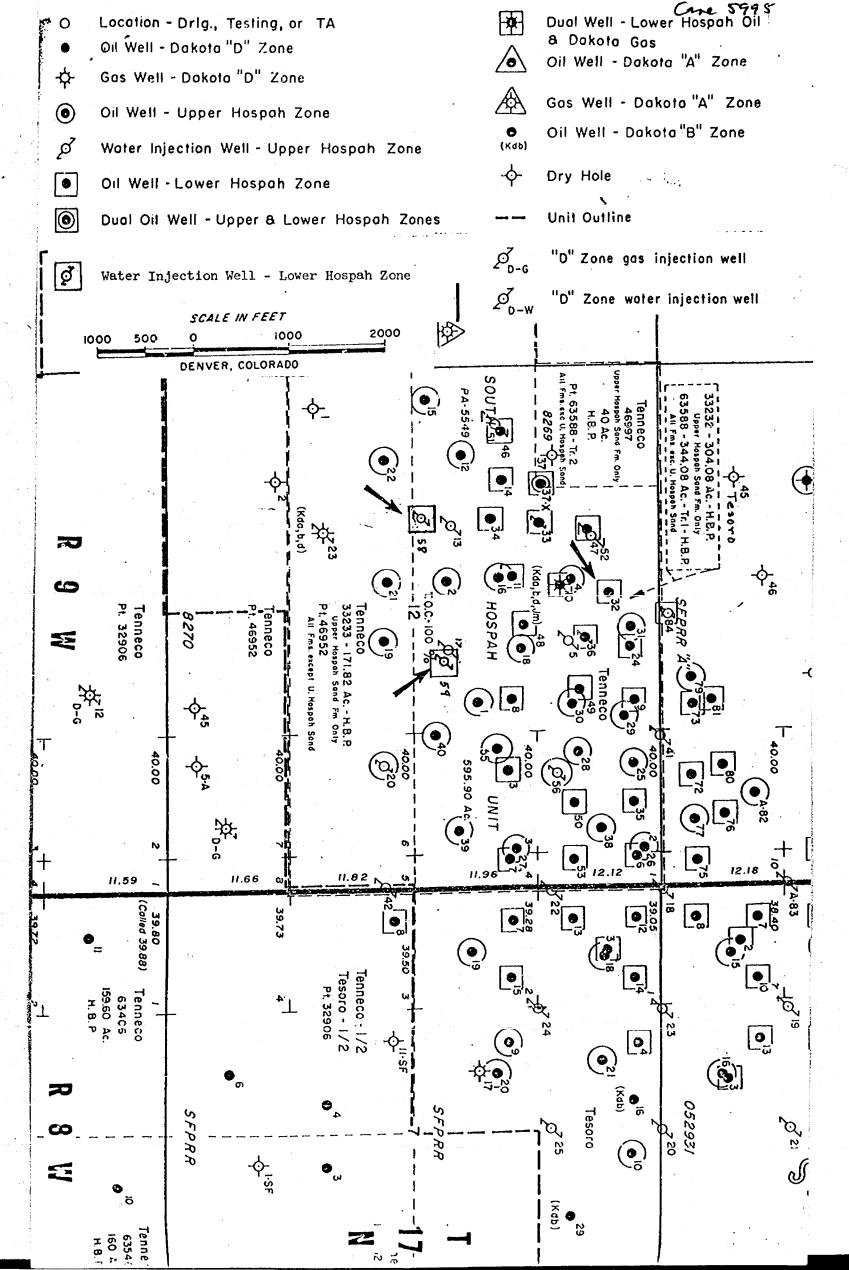
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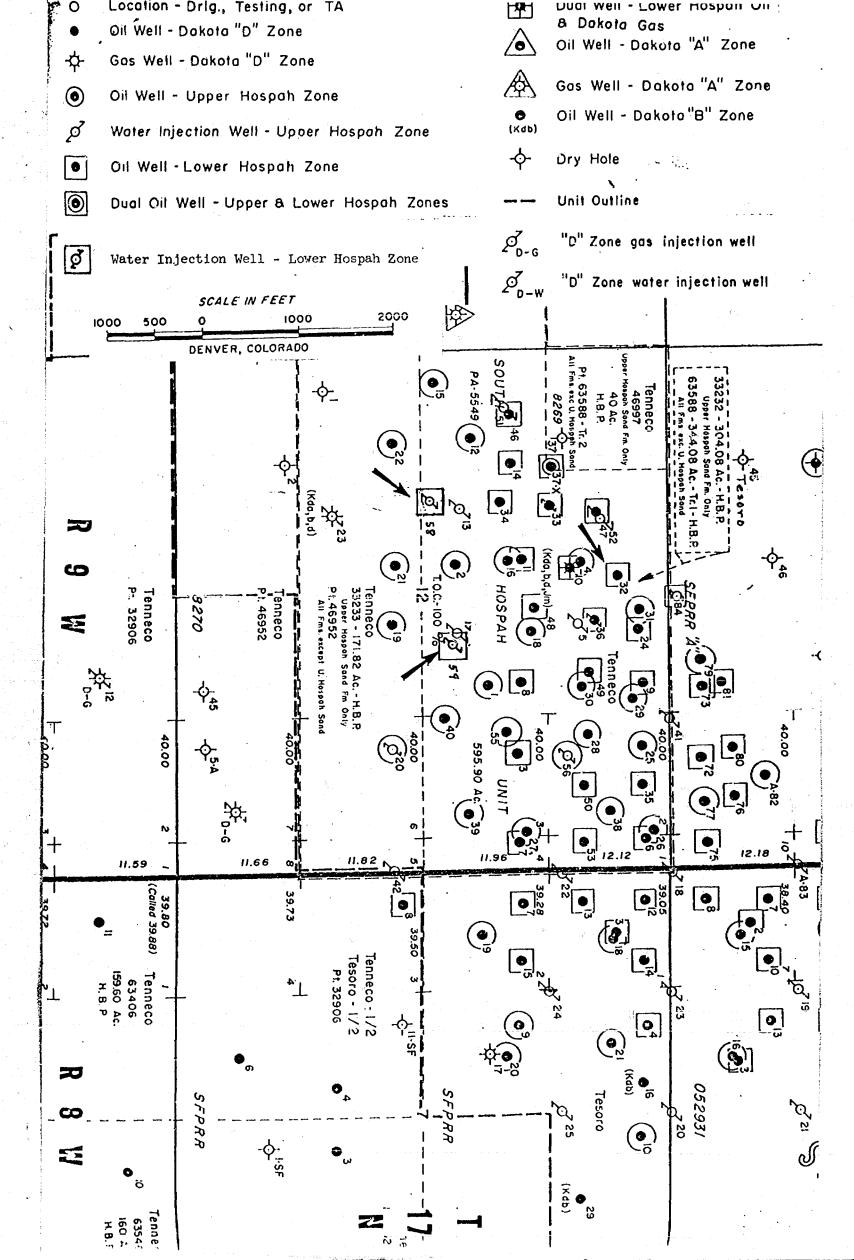
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NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO APPLICATION FOR MULTIPLE COMPLETION

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a. Name of Pool and Formation	Upper Hospah			Lower Hospah	
b. Top and Bottom of Pay Section				1656' - 1679'	
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c. Type of production (Oil or Gas				Injection	
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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. 3660 Order No. R-3325

APPLICATION OF TENNECO OIL COMPANY FOR A WATERFLOOD PROJECT AND FOR AN EXCEPTION TO RULE 104 C I, MCKINLEY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

BY THE COMMISSION:

This cause came on for hearing at 9 a.m. on September 27, 1967, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner Elvis A. Utz.

NOW, on this 4th day of October, 1967, 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, Tenneco Oil Company, seeks an exception to Rule 104 C I of the Commission Rules and Regulations to permit the drilling of more than one well per 40-acre tract, said wells being located closer than 660 feet to each other and each 40-acre tract subject to a single 40-acre allowable.
- (3) That the applicant requests the above-described exception apply to both the South Hospah Upper Sand Oil Pool and the South Hospah Lower Sand Oil Pool and be applicable to Tenneco's leases comprising all of Section 12, Township 17 North, Range 9 West, NMPM, McKinley County, New Mexico.
- (4) That in order to allow Walker Brothers Oil Company and Tesoro Petroleum Corporation, operators in the subject pools, the

opportunity to produce their just and equitable share of the oil in the aforesaid pools without damage to the reservoir through excessive water coning, Walker Brothers Oil Company and Tesoro Petroleum Corporation were authorized by Order No. R-3270 to develop the S/2 of Section 6, the N/2 and SW/4 of Section 7, both in Township 17 North, Range 8 West, and the SE/4 of Section 1, Township 17 North, Range 9 West, NMPM, South Hospah Lower Sand Oil Pool and South Hospah Upper Sand Oil Pool, McKinley County, New Mexico, to a density of more than one well per 40-acre tract.

- (5) That in order to prevent waste and protect correlative rights, the applicant, Tenneco Oil Company, an operator in the subject pools, should be allowed the opportunity to develop its leases in the subject pools to the same density as the Walker Brothers Oil Company's and Tesoro Petroleum Corporation's leases.
- (6) That the applicant also seeks permission to institute a waterflood project by the injection of water into the Upper Sand of the South Hospah Upper Sand Oil Pool on its Hospah and Hospah "A" Leases through five wells located in Units A, B, F, G, and H of Section 12, Township 17 North, Kange 9 West, NMPM, McKinley County, New Mexico.
- (7) That the wells in the project area are in an advanced state of depletion and should properly be classified as "stripper" wells.
- (8) That the proposed waterflood project should result in the recovery of otherwise unrecoverable oil, thereby preventing waste.
- (9) That the subject waterflood project should be approved, and that the waterflood project should be governed by the provisions of Rules 701, 702, and 703 of the Commission Rules and Regulations.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

(1) That the applicant, Tenneco Oil Company, is hereby authorized to develop its Hospah and Hospah "A" Leases comprising all of Section 12, Township 17 North, Range 9 West, NMPM, South Hospah Upper Sand Oil Pool and South Hospah Lower Sand Oil Pool, McKin ey County, New Mexico, to a density of more than one well per 40-acre tract;

PROVIDED HOWEVER, that no well shall be drilled nearer than 330 feet to the outer boundary of said tract and no nearer than

200 feet to another well drilling to or capable of producing from the same pool;

PROVIDED FURTHER, that a 40-acre proration unit in the South Hospah Upper Sand Oil Pool or the South Hospah Lower Sand Oil Pool shall be subject to a 40-acre unit allowable for wells in the South Hospah Upper Sand Oil Pool or South Hospah Lower Sand Oil Pool, whichever is applicable, regardless of the number of wells on the unit.

(2) That the applicant is hereby authorized to institute a waterflood project in the South Hospah Upper Sand Oil Pool on its Hospah and Hospah "A" Leases by the injection of water into the Upper Sand through the following-described wells in Section 12, Township 17 North, Range 9 West, NMPM, McKinley County, New Mexico:

OPERATOR	LEASE	WELL NO.	LOCATION
Tenneco	Hospah	To be drilled	SW/4 NE/4 NE/4
Tenneco	Hospah	5	SW/4 NW/4 NE/4
Tenneco	Hospah	To be drilled	SW/4 SE/4 NW/4
Tenneco	Hospah	To be drilled	SW/4 SW/4 NE/4
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- (3) That the subject waterflood project is hereby designated the Tenneco South Upper Hospah Waterflood Project and shall be governed by the provisions of Rules 701, 702, and 703 of the Commission Rules and Regulations.
- (4) That monthly progress reports of the waterflood project herein authorized shall be submitted to the Commission in accordance with Rules 704 and 1120 of the Commission Rules and Regulations.
- (5) That jurisdiction of this cause is retained for the entry of such further orders as the Commission may deem necessary.

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

STATE OF NEW MEXICO

STATE OF NEW MEXICO
OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

DAVID F. CARGO, Chairman

GUYTON B. HAYS, Member

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

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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:

•	CALLED BY THE OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION OF NEW MEXICO FOR
	THE PURPOSE OF CONSIDERING:
	case no. <u>5995</u>
•	Order No. R
Application County, Few	of Tenneco Oil Company for dual completions and waterflood expensions, McKinley
	ORDER OF THE COMMISSION
• .	BY THE COMMISSION:
	This cause came on for hearing at 9 a.m. on,
	19, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner
•	NOW, on this day of , 19 , 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, Venneco Oil
	kospah-Upper Sand and -Lower Sand Waterflood Projects by dually completing its Mospah Unit Wells Nos. 58 and 59, located in Units F and G, respectively, of Section 12, Township 17 North, Range 9 West, McKinley County, New Mexico, in such a manner as to permit water injection into each of said zones thru parallel strings of tubing.
\$	(3) That The applicant proposes to complete said Hospah. Unit Wells Nov. 58 complete said Hospah. Unit Wells Nov. 58
•	and 59 with parpallal strings of tubing, and set with parpallal strings of tubing, packers set immediately above the injection intervals and provide for testing to
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(4) That the mechanics of the proposed dual completions are sin accordance good conservation practices.

(5) That before injection into either of said wells should begin, the applicant should consult with the tsupervisor of the Commissions district office at 172 tec to determine the an injection pressure limition such as to preclude froctaring of the confining strata.

- (6) That the operator should take all steps necessary to ensure that the injected water enters only the proposed injection interval and is not permitted to escape to other formations or onto the surface.
- (7) That approval of the subject application will prevent the drilling of unnecessary wells and otherwise prevent waste and protect correlative rights.

It Is Therefore Ordered:

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(2) that prior to commencing injection into either of the subject wells, the operator shall consult with the supervisor of the Commission's district office at Pater to determine an injection pressure limitation such as to preclude fracturing of the contining strata is said projects.

3) That the injection wells or system shall be equipped with a pop-off valves or acceptable substitutes which will limit the wellhead pressure on the injection well to me

a pressure no higher than the following determined pursuant to Order No. (2) above.

4) Jurisdiction

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BEFORE THE OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO

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IN THE MATTER OF THE HEARING CALLED BY THE OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION OF NEW MEXICO FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONSIDERING:

CASE	NO.	5995

Order No. R- 5506

APPLICATION OF TENNECO OIL COMPANY FOR DUAL COMPLETIONS AND WATERFLOOD EXPANSIONS, MCKINLEY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

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ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

BY THE COMMISSION:

This cause came on for hearing at 9 a.m. on July 20 ,

19 77 , at Santa Fe , New Mexico , before Examiner Richard L. Stamets .

NOW, on this day of August , 1977 , 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, Tenneco Oil Company, seeks authority South Hospah
 to expand its South Hospah-Upper Sand and -Lower Sand Waterflood
 Projects by dually completing its Hospah Unit Wells Nos. 58 and
 59, located in Units F and G, respectively, of Section 12,
 Township 17 North, Range 9 West, McKinley County, New Mexico, in such a manner as to permit water injection into each of said
 zones through parallel strings of tubing.

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- (3) That the applicant proposes to complete said Hospah Unit Wells Nos. 58 and 59 with parallel strings of tubing, packers set immediately above the injection intervals, and provide for testing to determine any leakage of the tubing, casing or upper packers.
- (4) That the mechanics of the proposed dual completions are feasible and in accordance with good conservation practices.
- (5) That before injection into either of said wells should begin, the applicant should consult with the supervisor of the Commission's district office at Aztec to determine an injection pressure limitation such as to preclude fracturing of the confining strata.
- (6) That the operator should take all steps necessary to ensure that the injected water enters only the proposed injection interval and is not permitted to escape to other formations or onto the surface.
- (7) That approval of the subject application will prevent the drilling of unnecessary wells and otherwise prevent waste and protect correlative rights.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

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-Lower Sand Waterflood Projects by dually completing its Hospah
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PROVIDED HOWEVER, that each of said wells shall be equipped with parallel strings of 2 1/16-inch tubing, packers set immediately above each injection zone, that the casing-tubing annulus shall be filled with an inert fluid; and that a pressure gauge shall be attached to the annulus or the annulus shall be equipped with an approved leak detection device in order to determine leakage in the casing, tubing, or packer.

- (2) That prior to commencing injection into either of the subject wells, the operator shall consult with the supervisor of the Commission's district office at Aztec to determine an injection pressure limitation such as to preclude fracturing of the confining strata in said projects.
- (3) That the injection wells or system shall be equipped with pop-off valves or acceptable substitutes which will limit the wellhead pressure on the injection wells to a pressure no higher than that determined pursuant to Order No. (2) above.
- (4) 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.

