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 UPON ITS OWN MOTION TO PERMIT SOUTHERN UNION PRODUCTION COMPANY AND ALL OTHER INTERESTED PARTIES TO SHOW CAUSE WHY THE ROBERT MIMS-STATE WELL NO. 1 LOCATED IN UNIT M OF SECTION 16, TOWN-SHIP 29 NORTH, RANGE 9 WEST, SAN JUAN COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, SHOULD NOT BE PROPERLY REPAIRED OR PLUGGED IN ACCORDANCE WITH A COMMISSION-APPROVED PLUGGING PROGRAM.

> CASE No. 3161 Order No. R-2830

## ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

## BY THE COMMISSION:

This cause came on for hearing at 9 o'clock a.m. on November 24, 1964, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner Daniel S. Nutter.

NOW, on this <u>7th</u> day of December, 1964, the Commission, a quorum being present, having considered the testimony, the record, and the recommendations of the Examiner, and being fully advised in the premises,

## FINDS:

(1) That due public notice having been given as required by law, the Commission has jurisdiction of this cause and the subject matter thereof.

(2) That Southern Union Production Company is the owner and operator of the Robert Mims-State Well No. 1 located in Unit M of Section 16, Township 29 North, Range 9 West, NMPM, San Juan County, New Mexico.

(3) That the subject well is permitting natural gas to escape from the strata in which it is originally contained into another stratum or strata.

(4) That in order to prevent waste and protect correlative rights, the subject well should be repaired or plugged in a manner that will prevent natural gas from escaping from the strata in which it is originally contained into another stratum or strata. -2-CASE No. 3161 Order No. R-2830

## IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

(1) That Southern Union Production Company is hereby ordered to repair or plug the Robert Mims-State Well No. 1 located in Unit M of Section 16, Township 29 North, Range 9 West, NMPM, San Juan County, New Mexico, in a manner that will prevent natural gas from escaping from the strata in which it is originally contained into another stratum or strata.

(2) That if the well is to be repaired, the operator must have a proposed plan of repairing operations approved by the Commission's Aztec District Office prior to commencing such operations.

(3) That if the well is to be plugged, the operator must have a proposed plan of plugging operations approved by the Commission's Aztec District Office prior to commencing such operations.

(4) That all operations to repair or plug the subject well shall be completed within 60 days following the date of this order, and that Southern Union Production Company shall notify the District Supervisor, Oil Conservation Commission, District 3, Aztec, New Mexico, of the exact date and time repairing or plugging operations are to commence in order that the Commission may witness the same.

(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 **QIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION** K M. CAMPBELL, Chairman WALKER, Me

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