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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. 3223
Order No. R-2893

APPLICATION OF TENNECO OIL COMPANY
FOR SALT WATER DISPOSAL, LEA COUNTY,
NEW MEXICO.

ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

BY THE COMMISSION:

This cause came on for hearing at 9 o'clock a.m. on March 24, 1965, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner Daniel S. Nutter.

NOW, on this 16th day of April, 1965, 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, is the owner and operator of the Kemnitz Wolfcamp Unit Well No. 6 located in Unit I of Section 30, Township 16 South, Range 34 East, NMPM, Kemnitz-Wolfcamp Pool, Lea County, New Mexico.

(3) That the applicant proposes to designate the subject well the Kemnitz Wolfcamp Unit Well No. 30-SWD and to utilize said well to dispose of produced salt water into the Lower Wolfcamp formation, with injection into the open hole interval from 10,537 to 10,970 feet.

(4) That the injection should be accomplished through 2 3/8-inch tubing installed in packers set above and below the perforated interval from 10,288 to 10,295 feet; that said tubing should be internally plastic-coated between the packers; that the casing-tubing annulus should be filled with an inert fluid; and

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that a pressure gauge should be attached to the annulus in order to determine leakage in the tubing or packer.

(5) 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 authorized to dispose of produced salt water into the Lower Wolfcamp formation through its Kemnitz Wolfcamp Unit Well No. 6 to be designated the Kemnitz Wolfcamp Unit Well No. 30-SWD located in Unit I of Section 30, Township 16 South, Range 34 East, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico, injection to be accomplished through 2 3/8-inch tubing installed in packers set above and below the perforated interval from 10,288 to 10,295 feet, with injection into the open hole interval from 10,537 to 10,970 feet;

PROVIDED HOWEVER, that the tubing shall be internally plastic-coated between the packers; that the casing-tubing annulus shall be filled with an inert fluid; and that a pressure gauge shall be attached to the annulus in order to determine leakage in the tubing or packer.

(2) That the applicant shall submit monthly reports of its disposal operations in accordance with Rules 704 and 1120 of the Commission Rules and Regulations.

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

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

STATE OF NEW MEXICO
OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION


JACK M. CAMPBELL, Chairman


GUYTON B. HAYS, Member


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

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