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. 547 Order No. R-338

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF F. B. UMBARGER FOR AN EXCEPTION TO COMMISSION RULE 104 (d) (PROVIDING FOR ACREAGE REQUIREMENTS FOR DRILLING TRAC TS) IN SE/4 SECTION 16, TOWNSHIP 29 NORTH, RANGE 11 WEST, NMPM, SAN JUAN COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

BY THE COMMISSION:

This cause came on for hearing at 9 o'clock a.m. June 16, 1953, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before the Oil Conservation Commission of New Mexico, hereinafter referred to as the "Commission."

NOW, on this 23rd day of June, 1953, the Commission, having considered the matter fully, the statements of counsel, and being fully advised in the premises,

FINDS:

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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 lands described in the caption hereof are located in the Fulcher Kutz-Pictured Cliffs Pool.

3. That the applicant, F. B. Umberger, is the assignee and holder of Oil and Gas leases of all said southeast quarter of Section 16, excepting the NW/4 SE/4.

4. That said NW/4 SE/4 of Section 16 contains approximately 40 acres and is open and unleased acreage belonging to the State of New Mexico.

5. That the leases of which applicant is an assignee in said SE/4 of Section 16 will expire on June 23, 1953, if drilling is not commenced by the date in the quarter section of which it is a part.

6. That in order to preserve his said leases it is necessary that an exception be granted to Commission Rule 104 (d).

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

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That applicant F. B. Umbarger be, and he is hereby, granted an exception to Commission Rule 104 (d) and is authorized to drill a gas well upon the SE/4 of Section 16, Township 29 North, Range 11 West, NMPM; PROV IDED, HOWEVER, that applicant makes every reasonable effort to secure a lease of the NW/4 SE/4 of said section at the earliest possible time, and provided further that in the event such acreage shall not be acquired, and production is had and proration is established for the area from which such production is had, then and in that event applicant shall produce only that proportionate amount of the allowable which is represented by the acreage in said quarter section under lease or assignment to him.

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

STATE OF NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

EDWIN L. MECHEM, Chairman

E. S. WALKER, Member

R. R. SPURRIER, Secretary

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