

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. 653  
Order No. R-411

THE APPLICATION OF SINCLAIR OIL AND  
GAS COMPANY FOR APPROVAL OF THE  
SAND HILLS UNIT AGREEMENT EMBRACING  
21,397.02 ACRES OF LAND MORE OR LESS,  
IN LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, WITHIN  
TOWNSHIPS 25 AND 26S., RANGES 35 AND  
36 E., NMPM.

ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

BY THE COMMISSION:

This cause came on for hearing at 9 o'clock a. m., on February 17, 1954, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before the Oil Conservation Commission of New Mexico, hereinafter referred to as the "Commission".

NOW, on this        day of March, 1954, the Commission, a quorum being present, having considered said application and the evidence introduced in support thereof, 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 proposed unit plan will in principle tend to promote the conservation of oil and gas and the prevention of waste.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

SECTION 1. That this order shall be known as the

SAND HILLS UNIT AGREEMENT ORDER

SECTION 2. (a) That the project herein referred to shall be known as the Sand Hills Unit Agreement, and shall hereafter be referred to as the "Project".

(b) That the plan by which the Project shall be operated shall be embraced in the form of a unit agreement for the development and operation of the Sand Hills Unit Area referred to in the Petitioner's petition and filed with said petition, and such plan shall be known as the Sand Hills Unit Agreement Plan.

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SECTION 3. That the Sand Hills Unit Agreement Plan shall be, and hereby is approved in principle as a proper conservation measure; provided, however that notwithstanding any of the provisions contained in said unit agreement this approval shall not be considered as waiving or relinquishing in any manner any right, duties or obligations which are now, or may hereafter be vested in the New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission by law relative to the supervision and control of operations for exploration and development of any lands committed to said Sand Hills Unit Agreement, or relative to the production of oil or gas therefrom.

SECTION 4. (a) That the Unit Area shall be:

NEW MEXICO PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN

Twp. 25 South, Rge. 36 East

- Section 28: S/2
- Section 29: S/2
- Section 30: S/2
- Section 31: All
- Section 32: All
- Section 33: All

Twp. 26 South, Rge. 36 East

All of Sections 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 29, 30, 31 and 32

Twp. 26 South, Rge. 35 East

All of Sections 1, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 22, 23, 24, 25 and 26

Situated in Lea County, New Mexico, containing 21,397.02 acres, more or less.

(b) The unit area may be enlarged or contracted as provided in said Plan.

SECTION 5. That the unit operator shall file with the Commission an executed original or executed counterpart of the Sand Hills Unit Agreement within 30 days after the effective date thereof.

SECTION 6. That any party owning rights in the unitized substances who does not commit such rights to said unit agreement before the effective date thereof may thereafter become a party thereto by subscribing to such agreement or counterpart thereof, or by ratifying the same. The unit operator shall file with the Commission within 30 days an original of any such counterpart or ratification.

SECTION 7. That this order shall become effective upon approval of said unit agreement by the Commissioner of Public Lands of the State of New Mexico and the Director of the United States Geological Survey, and shall terminate ipso facto upon the termination of said unit agreement. The last unit operator shall immediately notify the Commission in writing of such termination.

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, Member and Secretary

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