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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. 6056 Order No. R-5557

IN THE MATTER OF THE HEARING CALLED BY THE OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION ON ITS OWN MOTION TO PERMIT JULIUS CHODOROW, AND ALL OTHER INTERESTED PARTIES TO APPEAR AND SHOW CAUSE WHY THE UTE WELL NO. 1 LOCATED IN UNIT F OF SECTION 20, TOWNSHIP 31 NORTH, RANGE 15 WEST, SAN JUAN COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, SHOULD NOT BE PLUGGED AND ABANDONED IN ACCORDANCE WITH A COMMISSION-APPROVED PLUGGING PROGRAM.

ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

BY THE COMMISSION:

This cause came on for hearing at 9 a.m. on September 28, 1977, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner Daniel S. Nutter.

NOW, on this <u>25th</u> day of October, 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 Julius Chodorow is the owner and operator of the Ute Well No. 1, located in Unit F of Section 20, Township 31 North, Range 15 West, NMPM, San Juan County, New Mexico.

(3) That in order to prevent waste and protect correlative rights said Ute Well No. 1 should be plugged and abandoned in accordance with a program approved by the Aztec District Office of the New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission on or before January 1, 1978, or the well should be returned to active drilling status or placed on production. -2-Case No. 6056 Order No. R-5557

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

(1) That Julius Chodorow is hereby ordered to plug and abandon the Ute Well No. 1, located in Unit F of Section 20, Township 31 North, Range 15 West, NMPM, San Juan County, New Mexico, or, in the alternative, to return the well to active drilling status or place the well on production on or before January 1, 1978.

(2) That Julius Chodorow, prior to plugging and abandoning the above-described well, shall obtain from the Aztec office of the Commission, a Commission-approved program for said plugging and abandoning, and shall notify said Aztec office of the date and hour said work is to be commenced whereupon the Commission may, at its option, witness such work.

(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 hereinabove designated.

> STATE OF NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

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