## BEFORE THE OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO

Enterel May 18, 1959

# IN THE MATTER OF THE HEARING CALLED BY THE OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION OF NEW MEXICO FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONSIDERING:

CASE NO. 728 Order No. R-586-F

APPLICATION OF HAMILTON DOME OIL COMPANY, LTD., FOR AN EXCEPTION TO THE REQUIREMENTS OF ORDER NO. R-586-E FOR A WELL IN THE JUSTIS GAS POOL, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

### ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

#### BY THE COMMISSION:

This cause came on for hearing at 9 o'clock a.m. on April 22, 1959, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Daniel S. Nutter, Examiner duly appointed by the Oil Conservation Commission of New Mexico, hereinafter referred to as the "Commission," in accordance with Rule 1214 of the Commission Rules and Regulations.

NOW, on this <u>13th</u> day of May, 1959, the Commission, a quorum being present, having considered the application, the evidence adduced, and the recommendations of the Examiner, Daniel S. Nutter, 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, Hamilton Dome Oil Company, Ltd., is the operator of the Westates Carlson Federal "A" Well No. 1, located in the NW/4 SE/4 of Section 25, Township 25 South, Range 37 East, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico.

(3) That the perforations in the said Westates Carlson Federal "A" Well No. 1 extend below the vertical limits of the Justis Gas Pool as established by Order No. R-586-E.

(4) That Order No. R-586-E required that the said Westates Carlson Federal "A" Well No. 1 be plugged back so as to be open only within the established vertical limits of the Justis Gas Pool.

(5) That the applicant seeks an exception to this "plug-back" requirement for its said Westates Carlson Federal "A" Well No. 1.

(6) That there is little likelihood that allowing the said Westates Carlson Federal "A" Well No. 1 to remain open below the established vertical limits of the Justis Gas Pool will result in waste. -2-Case No. 728 Order No. R-586-F

(7) That due to the nature of the completion of the said Westates Carlson Federal "A" Well No. 1, there is a reasonable probability that any attempt to plug back this well so that it will be open only within the defined vertical limits of the Justis Gas Pool would result in waste.

# IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

That the applicant's Westates Carlson Federal "A" Well No. 1, located in the NW/4 SE/4 of Section 25, Township 25 South, Range 37 East, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico, be and the same is hereby exempt from the provision in Order No. R-586-E requiring it to be plugged back so as to be open only within the defined vertical limits of the Justis Gas Pool.

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

> STATE OF NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

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JOHN BURROUGHS, Chairman

MURRAY E. MORGAN, Member

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

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