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Monument, New Mexico
January 19, 1959

Oil Conservation Commission State of New Mexico P. C. Box 871 Santa Fe, New Mexico

Re: Request for exception to
Rule 309 requiring location
of tank battery on lease

Gentlemen:

Amerada Petroleum Corporation hereby makes application for administrative approval for an exception to Rule 309 in order to locate a tank battery for Abo production on the Fred Turner, Jr. Lease, in the Warren McKee Field, Lea County, New Mexico, on an adjacent lease. The following facts are submitted in support of this application:

- (1) That Amerada Petroleum Corporation is the operator of the Fred Turner, Jr. Lease located in the W/2 of the SW/4 of Section 17, T-20-S, R-38-E, Lea County, New Mexico. This lease has production from the McKee, Connell, and Abo Formations.
- (2) That oil produced from the McKee and Connell Formations is sweet crude while oil produced from the Abo Formation is sour crude.
- (3) That the Shell Pipeline Corporation is the purchaser of crude in this area and they maintain separate gathering systems for sweet and sour crude in this area.
- (4) That because of the small amount of Abo production anticipated on the Fred Turner, Jr. Lease, Shell Pipeline Corporation will not lay a gathering line from their sour crude gathering system to the present battery on this lease.
- (5) That the closest pipeline connection for sour crude is located on the Fred Turner, Jr. "A" Lease, also operated by Amerada, which is located immediately west of the Fred Turner, Jr. Lease.
- (6) That by locating the tank battery for this Abo production at the Turner, Jr. "A" battery a pipeline connection for this crude could be obtained.

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- (7) That these tank batteries would be separate in every way and oil from the two leases will not be commingled.
- (8) That the accompanying plat showing the location of the tank batteries and route of the proposed flow line is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.
- (9) That the granting of this application is in the interests of conservation and will protect correlative rights.

In view of the facts stated above, Amerada Petroleum Corporation respectfully requests that the Secretary of the Commission grant an exception to Rule 309 whereby the petitioner may locate a tank battery for Abo production from the Fred Turner, Jr. Lease on an adjacent lease.

Very truly yours,

T. C. Capps Jo

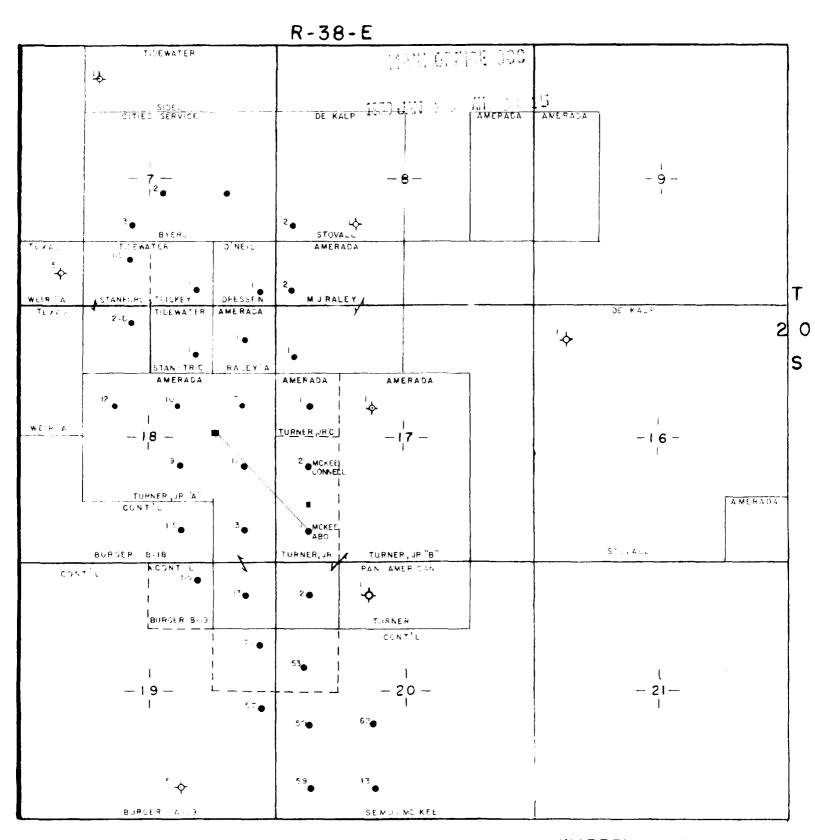
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cc: Oil Conservation Commission Hobbs, New Mexico

Sworn and subscribed to before me on this 19th day of January, 1959.

My Commission Expires 8-30-61.



WARREN-MCKEE FIELD Scale: I" = 2000'