

BEFORE THE OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO

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

CASE NO. 95

ORDER NO. 707

THE PETITION OF V. S. WELCH FOR AN ORDER
PERMITTING AN UNORTHODOX OIL AND GAS WELL
LOCATION IN THE $N\frac{1}{2} NE\frac{1}{4}$ OF SECTION 36,
TOWNSHIP 16 SOUTH, RANGE 30 EAST, N.M.P.M.
THE SQUARE LAKE FIELD OF EDDY COUNTY, NEW
MEXICO, AND APPROVAL OF NOTICE OF INTENTION
TO DRILL FILED CONCURRENTLY THEREWITH.

ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

BY THE COMMISSION:

This matter came on regularly for hearing at 10:00 A.M., April 15, 1947 at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before the Oil Conservation Commission of New Mexico, hereinafter referred to as the "Commission".

NOW, on this 6 day of June, 1947, the Commission having before it for consideration the testimony adduced at the hearing of said cause and being fully advised in the premises;

FINDS:

1. That the petitioner is the owner of an oil and gas lease issued by the State of New Mexico under lease B-2884 as to the $N\frac{1}{2}$ of the $NE\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 36, Township 16 South, Range 30 East, N.M.P.M.
2. That petitioner's present wells located approximately in the centers respectively of the $NE\frac{1}{4} NE\frac{1}{4}$ and $NW\frac{1}{4} NE\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 36, Township 16 South, Range 30 East are incapable of making the unit allowable authorized for the Square Lake field.
3. That under conditions existing in the Square Lake area, it is an open question whether one well to the 40 acre tract is sufficient to reasonably drain and permit recovery of the recoverable oil thereunder, and the drilling of an additional well production from which, if obtained, would not disturb the fixed 40 acre unit allowable of the field, would provide useful information for both the oil industry and the Commission.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

That V. S. Welch, petitioner herein is granted an unorthodox location for an additional oil and gas well to be located in the $NE\frac{1}{4} NE\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 36, Township 16 South, Range 30 East, N.M.P.M. in the Square Lake field, Eddy County, New Mexico and more particularly described by footage as 990 feet south of the north line and 1300 feet west of the east line of Section 36, Township 16 South, Range 30 East.

That Notice of Intention to Drill heretofore filed with the Commission is hereby approved.

That production from such additional well shall be credited, in combination with other production, to the 40 acre tract upon which it is located, but such total production from said tract shall not exceed the top allowable for a 40 acre unit in the Square Lake Field.

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

OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Thomas J. Maby
CHAIRMAN

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MEMBER

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SECRETARY