

OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION OF NEW MEXICO

IN RE: CONSERVATION AND PREVENTION  
OF WASTE OF CRUDE PETROLEUM  
AND NATURAL GAS IN THE STATE  
OF NEW MEXICO. }

COME NOW Hardin-Houston, a partnership composed of J. B. Hardin and Earl Hardin, both of Hobbs, Lea County, New Mexico, and would respectfully show to the Commission:

1. That applicants are engaged in the business of tank cleaning and well servicing in the oilfields of eastern New Mexico; that in the cleaning of tanks and burn pits there is considerable marketable oil that can be recovered from the tanks and burn pits by treating; that of the quantity of emulsion recovered from tank bottoms and burn pits that the merchantable oil salvagable ranges from five to thirty per cent of the total quantity.

2. That under the existing rules and regulations of the Commission, there is no provision made for the procuring of tenders authorizing the transportation of this recoverable oil.

3. That the Oil Conservation Commission of New Mexico was created for the express purpose of preventing waste production and marketing of oil and gas in the State of New Mexico.

4. That the matter brought to the attention of the Commission by this application is a matter of general concern to all oil and gas producing areas in the State of New Mexico, and the regulation and control of the salvage oil should be covered by a General Order that would be applicable to all areas within the State of New Mexico.

5. That at the present time in the majority of the oilfields of New Mexico this salvagable oil is being destroyed by burning or dumping upon lease roads and lease properties.

6. That in order to process and save the salvagable oil from tank bottoms and waste oils within the state, it is necessary that treating plants be constructed for the reason that the small amount of emulsion recoverable from any particular tank battery or lease property is not sufficient to warrant its processing

separately. The processor will be required to process in amounts of five hundred barrels or more in order to economically process the oil. This in itself will cause a co-mingling of tank bottoms and waste oil from numerous leases. The amount recoverable from any particular lease will be unascertainable.

7. The Commission should enter an Order which would regulate the tank cleaner and well servicer, the transporter of tank bottoms and waste oil as well as the processor of tank bottoms and waste oil so as to preclude the running of hot oil by alleged processors and unscrupulous producers.

8. The applicants tender along with this application a proposed Order which these applicants believe will regulate the parties coming into contact with waste oil and tank bottoms so that the running of hot oil by alleged processors or by any operators under the guise of processing will be precluded and at the same time will conserve natural resources of the State of New Mexico.

WHEREFORE, Applicants pray that this Commission set a date for a hearing on this application and upon a hearing hereon if proper showing is made to enter its General Order regulating tank cleaning, plants processing, tank bottoms and reclaiming of waste oil and the transportation of tank bottoms and waste oil.

Respectfully submitted,

NEAL & GIRAND,

BY M. L. Girard  
Attorneys for Hardin-Houston  
(Hobbs, New Mexico)

STATE OF NEW MEXICO )  
COUNTY OF LEA )

I, J. B. HARDIN, being first duly sworn upon my oath, state:

I am one of the members of the partnership, Hardin-Houston; I have read and understand the contents of the foregoing application, and the facts therein alleged are true and correct.

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN to before me this the 31 day of July, A.D., 1947.

My Commission Expires:  
February 12, 1951.

J. B. Hardin  
James C. Summers  
NOTARY PUBLIC

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION  
STATE OF NEW MEXICO  
OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

The Oil Conservation Commission of New Mexico, pursuant to law, hereby gives public notice of the following hearings to be had at a special meeting of the Commission to be held September 17, 1947, beginning at 10:00 A.M. on said date at Santa Fe, New Mexico:

STATE OF NEW MEXICO TO:

All named parties in the following cases,  
and notice to the public:

Case 101

In the matter of the application of American Employers Insurance Company for an order directed to Frank Griggs, Lubbock, Texas, John Darden, Lubbock, Texas, and John H. Hawkins, Fort Sumner, New Mexico to show cause why a well located in the NE $\frac{1}{4}$ -NE $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 11, Township 4 North, Range 26 East, DeBaca County, New Mexico should not be declared abandoned and ordered plugged.

Case No. 109

In the matter of the application of Leonard Oil Co., Roswell, New Mexico for an order approving an unorthodox location for the Leonard State No. 6 well in the NW $\frac{1}{4}$ -NW $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 28, Township 17 South, Range 29 East, Eddy County, New Mexico, the allocation of production to said described tract and unconditional approval of a C-110 for the well.

Case 110

In the matter of the application of Hardin-Houston, a partnership, Hobbs, New Mexico for a general order regulating tank cleaning, plants processing tank bottoms and recleaning of waste oil and transportation of tank bottoms and waste oil.

Given under the seal of the Oil Conservation Commission of New Mexico, at Santa Fe, New Mexico on August 29, 1947.

OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

BY: (SGD) R. R. SPURRIER

R. R. SPURRIER, Secretary

Case 111

In the matter of application of G. B. Suppes to unitize the E/2 NE/4 of Section 33, Township 16 South, Range 31 East, N.M.P.M., Eddy County, New Mexico and for approval of two unorthodox locations thereon, (1) 330 ft. from the East line and 1270 ft. from the North line of Section 33, (2) Located 990 ft. from the east line and 1370 ft. from the north line of said section 33, in township 16 South, Range 31 East, N.M.P.M.

NEAL & GIRAND  
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HOBBS, NEW MEXICO  
October 4, 1947

Oil Conservation Commission  
Santa Fe, N.M.  
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10/15/47

Lea County Operators Committee,  
Hobbs, New Mexico.

Dear Mr. Staley:

It has come to the attention of the writer that a meeting has been called of the Lea County Operators for the purpose of discussing the probable effect on the producers the proposed order of Hardin-Houston, applicants in Cause No. 110 now pending before the Oil Conservation Commission of New Mexico, may have.

We would appreciate your advising the operators at the meeting to be held that the proposed order attached to the application of Hardin-Houston will be withdrawn if the Commission sees fit to grant an order to Hardin-Houston comparable with the order granted to Walter Famariss, Jr., as entered in Case No. 104, and that the provisions of that order are acceptable to Hardin-Houston.

By copy of this letter I am advising the Oil Conservation Commission of New Mexico of the contents hereof so that the Commission will be advised that insistence on the proposed order will not be prosecuted at the hearing on October 15th.

Hardin-Houston seeks to obtain a permit to process emulsions and waste oil and do not intent to place any additional burden on the producers in the field.

This letter is written in compliance with my agreement to advise you by mail of the position of Hardin-Houston, and I trust that all objections to the original application of Hardin-Houston will be met by same.

Respectfully submitted,

NEAL & GIRAND,

BY:

G/lr  
Oil Conservation Commission, Santa Fe, N.M.  
George Graham, Attorney, State Land Office, Santa Fe, N.M.  
Lake J. Frazier, Attorney, c/o Frazier & Quantius, Roswell, N.M.

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OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

BY: *R.R. Spurrier*  
R. R. SPURRIER, Secretary

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OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

BY: *R. A. Spurrer*

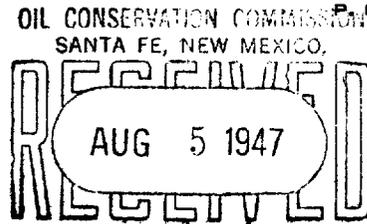
R. A. SPURRER, Secretary

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NEAL & GIRAND  
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HOBBS, NEW MEXICO  
August 1, 1947



Oil Conservation Commission of New Mexico  
Santa Fe, New Mexico

Gentlemen:

We are here enclosing application of Hardin-Houston, a partnership composed of J. B. Hardin and Earl Hardin, for the entering of a General Order by this Commission regulating tank cleaners, processors of tank bottoms of waste, and transportors of tank bottoms and waste oil.

\* We would appreciate a hearing on this application at the Commission's pleasure and as early as possible.

This application is being submitted in duplicate.

Yours very truly,

NEAL & GIRAND

BY:

G/mfo  
Encl.