

BEFORE THE OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO

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

CASE NO. 324
ORDER NO. R-122

THE APPLICATION OF THE TEXAS COMPANY
FOR AN ORDER APPROVING AN UNORTHODOX
LOCATION FOR ITS STATE AR WELL NO. 1,
660 FEET SOUTH OF THE NORTH LINE AND 1980 FEET
EAST OF THE WEST LINE OF SECTION 2, TOWNSHIP
11 SOUTH, RANGE 37 EAST, NMPM, LEA COUNTY,
NEW MEXICO, AND FOR UNITIZATION OF LOT 3,
SECTION 2, TOWNSHIP 11 SOUTH, RANGE 37 EAST,
NMPM, WITH SAID DRILLING UNIT.

ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

BY THE COMMISSION:

This cause came on for hearing at 10 a.m. on November 20, 1951, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before the Oil Conservation Commission of New Mexico, hereinafter referred to as the "Commission," all members being present.

NOW, this 18th day of December, 1951, the Commission, a quorum being present, having considered the testimony adduced and the exhibits received at said hearing, 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, the persons interested, and the subject matter thereof.

(2) That the location of the Texas Company's State of New Mexico AR Well No. 1 was staked 660 feet from the north line and 1980 feet from the west line of Section 2, Township 11 South, Range 37 East, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico.

(3) That said Section 2, Township 11 South, Range 37 East, NMPM, is a short section, and said location resulted in an unorthodox well location for said well, which fact, as a result of inadvertence and a surveyor's error, was overlooked.

(4) That said well has been completed as a producing well.

(5) That the unorthodox location of said well should be approved, to prevent waste and to avoid unnecessary drilling, and that such approval will not interfere with or impair correlative rights of adjoining lessees.

(6) That Lot 3, Section 2, Township 11 South, Range 37 East, NMPM, lying to the north of the Texas Company's State AR Well No. 1, is of less than normal size, containing 18.52 acres, more or less, and said lot, because of its small size, should be unitized, for purposes of production and proration of oil, with the normal drilling unit to the south, being the NE/4 SW/4 Section 2, Township 11 South, Range 37 East, NMPM, for the prevention of waste, and that the ownership of the NE/4 SW/4, and Lot 3, in Section 2, Township 11 South, Range 37 East, NMPM, is the same.

(7) That the ownership of Lot 4, and the NW/4 SW/4 Section 2, Township 11 South, Range 37 East, NMPM, is the same; that said Lot 4 contains 18.58 acres, more or less, and said Lot 4 should be unitized for production and proration purposes with the said NW/4 SW/4, for the prevention of waste and to avoid unnecessary drilling.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

(1) That the location of the Texas Company State AR Well No. 1, 660 feet south of the north line and 1980 feet east of the west line of Section 2, Township 11 South, Range 37 East, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico, be and the same hereby is approved.

(2) That Lot 3 be unitized with the NE/4 SW/4 Section 2, Township 11 South, Range 37 East, NMPM, for production and proration purposes.

(3) That Lot 4 be unitized with the NW/4 SW/4 Section 2, Township 11 South, Range 37 East, NMPM, for production and proration purposes.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED:

That nothing contained in this order shall be construed as approving an unorthodox well location in the NW/4 SW/4 of Section 2, Township 11 South, Range 37 East, NMPM, or in any other part of said section or adjacent or adjoining sections.

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

STATE OF NEW MEXICO
OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

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