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	2	R. J. PALMER,
	3	Plaintiff, )
	4	vs No. 61/9
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	6	GREENBRIER OIL COMPANY, ) a perthership, )
	7	) Defendants. )
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	10	Comes now L. C. WHITE and formally enters this, his withdrawal of
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	19	copy of the foregoing to H. J. Outhmann, Plaza Building, Santa Pe, New Mexico;
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	21	Graham, 212 East Santa Fe Avenue, Santa Fe, New Maxico; Seth & Montgomery,
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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE BY MAIL I hereby certify that I have this  $\gamma 0$  day of August, 1955, mailed a copy of the foregoing to 011 Conservation Commission of the State of New Mexico, Santa Pe, New Mexico, and to Willard P. Kitts, 116 East Palace Avenue, Santa Fe, New Mexico. According to the trial docket, the above en-titled cause has been set down for hearing September 28, 1955. A PO White GILBERT. WHITE AND GILBERT ATTORNEYS AT LAW SANTA FE. NEW MEXICO 

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF SANDA PE IN THE DISTRICT COUNT

No. 6179

R. J. MINTE. Plaintiff. VS. OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO, and ORFENERIER OIL COMPANY. a partnership,

Defendants.

#### FNIRY OF APPEARANCE

I hereby enter my appearance as attorney for the 011 Conservation Commission of the State of New Mexico, one of the defendants in the above-entitled and numbered cause.

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Willard P. Kitts 116 East Palace Avonue Santa Pe. New Mexico

# CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE BY MAIL

I hereby certify that I have this \_\_\_\_ day of August. 1955. mailed a copy of the foregoing Entry of Appearance to H. J. Guthmann, Plaza Building, Santa Fe, New Mexico; McKenna & Sommer, 302 Bast Palace Avenue, Santa Fe, New Mexico; George A. Graham, 212 East Santa Fe Avenue, Santa Fe, New Mexico; Seth & Montgomery, 111 East San Francisco, Santa Pe, New Mexico.

H. J. GUTHMANN ATTORNEY AT LAW PLAZA BUILDING SANTA FE, N'W MEXICO

DIAL 3-7151

August 31, 1955

Hon. J. M. Scarborough District Judge First Judicial District Santa Pe County Courthouse Santa Fe, New Mexico

> Re: Falmer v. Oil Conservation Commission, et al., No. 6177, Rio Arriba County.

Dear Judge Scarborough:

The above referred to case has been set for hearing at 9:30 A. M. on September 28, 1955.

MoKenna and Sommer are also attorneys for the Plaintiff, and we feel that the issues may be marrowed by a pre-trial conference, and hereby request that the Court grant our request for a pre-trial conference prior to the date of trial. It would be agreeable with us for the pre-trial conference to be set next week or the following week, if the Court can arrange such setting.

A copy of this letter is being mailed to the attorneys of record for the defendants so that they may be apprised of this request.

Sincerely yours,

H. J. OUTHNAM

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Comes now George A. Graham and enters this, his withdrawal in the above entitled cause as attorney for the Oil Conservation Commission of the State of New Mexico, one of the defendants herein, being no longer employed by said Commission. //

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I cortify that on this 31st day of August, 1955. I halled a copy of this instrument to H. J. Guthman, flaze Building, Santa Fo, New Sourico; McMenna & Scamer, 302 B. Falace Avenue, Santa Fo, New Sourico; Seth & Montgomery, 111 E. San Francisco Street, Santa Fo, New Serico; and to Willard F. Kitts, Gil Conservation Commission, Capitol Building, Santa Fo, New Serico.

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George A. Graham Room 11, Gans Building Santa Pe, New Mexico

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#### STATE OF NEW MEXICO

FIRST JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT

CHAMBERS OF JAMES M. SCARBOROUGH JUDGE DIVISION TWO

September 8, 1955 P.A. Ser Colle

Mr. E. J. Guthmann Attorney at Law P. O. Box 487 Santa Fe, New Mexico

### Re: Palmer v Oil Conservation Commission, et. al. Rio Arriba County #6177

Dear Mr. Guthmann:

This is in reply to your letter of August 31, requesting setting of the case referred to for pre-trial prior to the date of final hearing, which has been set for September 28. The position of my calendar is such that I do not believe it will be possible to set this case for pre-trial prior to the date of final hearing. It may be that a pre-trial conference can be held preceding the beginning of the trial proper, if the attorneys feel that it would be helpful and expedite the hearing.

Very truly yours,

JAMES M. SCARBOROUGH District Judge

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cc: McKenna & Sommer 302 East Palace Avenue Santa Fe, New Mexico Seth & Montgomery 111 East San Francisco Santa Fe, New Mexico

Mr. George A. Graham 212 East Santa Fe Avenue Santa Fe, New Mexico

Mr. Willard F. Kitts 116 East Palace Avenue Santa Fe, New Mexico STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF RIO ARRIBA

IN THE DISTRICT COURT

R. J. PALMER, Plaintiff.

vs.

NO. 6177

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OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO, and GREENBRIER OIL COMPANY, a partnership, Defendants.

# STIPULATION

Subject to the approval of the Court, IT IS STIPULATED by R. J. Palmer, by his attorneys, H. J. Guthmann and Messers, Mc-Kenna and Sommer, and Greenbrier Oil Company by its attorneys, Seth and Montgomery, that the above entitled action and the Petition for Review of R. J. Palmer be dismissed, under the following terms and conditions:

1. Greenbrier Oil Company shall be permitted to remove from the well known as Palmer No. 1 well located in the Northeast Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of the Southeast Quarter of Section 1, Township 24 North, Range 2 West, N.M.P.M., Rio Arriba County, New Mexico, all of the tubing contained therein and all surface equipment including, but not by way of limitation. the Christmas-Tree.

2. Upon removal of the equipment mentioned in the foregoing paragraph Greenbrier Oil Company shall place a cap on the well fitted with a working pressure value of 2000 pounds capacity and fitted with a suitable gauge, all to be done in accordance with good practice and any applicable rules of the Oil Conservation Commission.

Greenbrier Oil Company will notify the Oil Conservatioh 3. Commission in writing of the fact that R. J Palmer has undertaken the operation and assuming the ownership of the well, and will

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request approval of such transfer and that Greenbrier Oil Company be released of its obligation to plug the said well and to be released of its obligation under the plugging bond, insofar as the described well is concerned.

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4. It is further stipulated that Greenbrier Oil Company will arrange for a cancellation of permission to abandon said well, which permission was granted by the Oil Conservation Commission.

5. It is further stipulated that the lease on which the well is located, the same being dated November 19, 1949, between R. J. Palmer as Lessor, and Frank B. Murta and Russell Cobb as Lessees, and as the said lease may have thereafter been amended, has terminated by reason of the failure to pay shut-in payments.

6. It is stipulated that each of the parties hereto release the other from any and all obligations and duties that may have arisen in connection with the said well and lease at any time heretofore.

> H. J. GUTHMANN MCKENNA & SOMMER Attorneys for Plaintiff R. J. Palmer

By:

SETH AND MONTGOMERY Attorneys for defendant Greenbrier Oil Company

By:

OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO

By:

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Its Attorney.



BEFORE THE OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO

IN THE MATTIR OF THE APPLICATION OF R. J. PAIMER, LIMDRITH, MW MEXICO, FOR A PERMAMENT ORDER PROHIBITING GREENBRIER OIL COMPANY FROM REMOVING, TAKING OR IM ANY OTHER MAMER INTERFERING WITH THE TUBING, CASENG OR OTHER EQUIPMENT LOCATED IN OR ON THE FALMER NO. 1 MILL, NELSNO OF SEC. 1, T. 24 M., R. 2 M., N.M.P.M., RIO ARRIBA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, AND ALSO REQUEST-ING AN ENTERGENCY ORDER

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Comes now R. J. Palmer of Lindrith, New Mexico, and respectfully represents to the Oil Conservation Commission of the State of New Mexico, that he is the owner of the Palmer No. 1 well, located in NP2SW2 of SE2 of Sec. 1, T. 24 N., R. 2 W., N.M.P.M., Rio Arriba County, New Mexico, and that said well is capable of producing in commercial quantities; and that said well is presently shut-in.

The applicant further represents that in and on such well there is located tubing, casing and other equipment; that the said Greenbrier Oil Company has stated to the applicant that it intends to remove such tubing, casing and other equipment; and that a purported agent of the Greenbrier Oil Company has stated to the applicant that such removal will take place Monday, August 24, 1953, or some time immediately thereafter. The applicant further represents that if such removal or pulling is allowed, it will cause irreparable injury to the said Palmer No. 1 well and that such removal or pulling is adverse to the interest of conservation and prevention of waste.

Wherefore, this applicant respectfully requests that this matter be set down for hearing on due notice, and that at such hearing a permanent order be issued preventing Greenbrier Oil Company from taking any such action as set out herein, and further requests that this Commission issue its emergency order prohibiting the Greenbrier Oil Company from taking any of the threatened actions in connection with the said well as set out herein.

DONE at Santa Fe, New Mexico, this 20 day of \_\_\_\_\_\_

R. J. PALLER

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Thomas F. McKenna Detorney for Officiant 302E. Palore ave. Santa Fe. new mexico

#### NEW MEXICO OII CONSERVATION COMMISSION

#### SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF N. P. CARA FOR APPROVAL OF AN UNORTHODOX DRILLING UNIT FOR IICTURED CLIFFS GAS WELLS IN SAE JUAN COULTY, NEW MERICO

#### PETITION

Comes now N. P. Carr by his attorney, Jason W. Kellahin, P. O. Box 361, Santa Fe, New Mexico, and petitions this honorable Commission for an order approving, as an exception to Commission Rule No. 104 (d), a drilling unit of less than 160 surface acres, in the SW1 of Sec. 9, Twp. 30 N., Rge. 11 W., N.M.P.M. and in support thereof, would show the Commission as follows:

1. That Fetitioner is the holder of oil and gas leases on a total of 133 acres within the boundaries of the SWE of Sec. 9, in Twp. 30 R., Age. 11 W., F.M.P.M.

2. That diligent effort has been made to obtain leases on the balance of lands within this quarter section, without success.

3. That all but 4 acres of the lands upon which Petitioner has been unable to obtain leases are within the townsite of Aztec, New Mexico, and the owner's thereof are numerous and diverse, making it impractical to obtain leases thereon.

4. That Petitioner is desirous of drilling wells to the Pictured Cliffs common source of supply upon the lands held by him, and is unable to commit the entire 160 acres of the SW2 of Sec. 9, as required by Commission Rule No. 104 (d).

WHEREFORE, Petitioner prays this Commission issue its order granting him an exception to the provisions of Rule 104 (d), as to the SW3 of Sec. 9, in Twp. 30 N., Rgs. 11 W., N.M.P.M.

Together with suitable provision for the protection of cor-

relative rights, as the Commission may determine.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Carr

by Jason W. Kellahin, Attorney

Jason W. Kellahin Box 361 Santa Fe, New Mexico, Attorney for Petitioner

UN CONSERVATION COMMISSION SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO. <u>e</u>enn AUG 2 1 1953

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

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IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF R. J. PAIMER, LINDRITH, MEW MEXICO, FOR A PERMANENT ORDER PROHTBITING GREENBRIER OIL COMPANY FROM REMOVING, TAKING OR IN ANY OTHER MANNER INTERFERING WITH THE TUBING, CASING OR OTHER EQUIPMENT IOCATED IN OR ON THE PAIMER NO. 1 WELL, NE4SW2 OF SE2 OF SEC. 1, T. 24 N., R. 2 W., N.M.P.M., RIO ARRIBA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, AND ALSO REQUEST-ING AN EMURGENCY ORDER

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DONE at Santa Fe, New Mexico, this 20 day of \_ 1953.

R. J. PAIMER

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Atorney for Applicant 302 E. Palace ave. Soute Fr. H. Mexico

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THOMAS F. MCKENNA ATTORNEY-AT-LAW 136-137 SENA PLAZA SANTA FE. NEW MEXICO BEFORM THE OIL CONSTRUCTION COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF R. J. PALMER FOR AN EMERGENCY ORDER IN COMMECTION WITH THE APPLI-CATION OF R. J. PALMER, LIMDRITH, NEW MEXICO, FOR A PERMAMENT ORDER FROHIBITING GREENBRIER OIL COMPANY FROM REMOVING, TAKING OR IN ANY OTHER MANNER INTERFERING WITH THE TUBING, CASING OR OTHER EQUIPMENT LOCATED IN OR ON THE PALMER NO. 1 WELL, NERSWAR OF SER OF SEC. 1, T. 24 N., R 2 V., N.M.P.M., RIO ARRIBA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, AND ALSO REQUESTING AN EMERGENCY ORDER

CASE NO. <u>574</u> ORDER NO. E-4

# EMERGENCY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

#### BY THE COMMISSION:

This matter for an emergency order having come on for consideration, and the Commission having read the application filed in this cause by R. J. Palmer, and being fully advised in the premises, finds:

1. That it has jurisdiction over this cause and over the subject matter thereof.

2. That the applicant has requested a permanent order and has set down that matter for regular hearing with the Oil Conservation Commission of the State of New Mexico, and such hearing will be held after due notice according to law in September 1953.

3. That the allegations of the applicant indicate that unless an emergency order is issued irreparable injury will be done to the interests of conservation and the prevention of vaste.

4. That reasonable cause exists for the issuance of an emergency order in the interest of conservation and the prevention of waste.

# IT IS THEREFORE ORDURED:

1. That the Greenbrier Oil Company and its authorized agents, or either of them, cease and desist and are hereby restrained from taking any action in any manner, or attempting to take any action in any manner, to pull or remove any of the tubing or casing or other equipment now located in or on Palmer No. 1, or in any other manner interfering with the present status of the Palmer No. 1 well.

DONE at Santa Fe, New Mexico, on the 2111 day of August

1953.

STATE OF NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

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THOMAS F. MCKENNA

ATTORNEY-AT-LAW 302 EAST PALACE AVENUE SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

September 22,1953

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Mr. R. R. Spurrier Oil Conservation Commission State Capitol Santa Fe, New Mexico

Dear Mr. Spurrier:

Enclosed herewith please find in triplicate the proposed Order in Case No. 574, R. J. Palmer.

Very truly yours,

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Thomas F. McKenna

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GILBERT, WHITE AND GILBERT

ATTORNEYS AND COUNSELORS AT LAW BISHOP BUILDING SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

CARL H. GILBERT L.C.WHITE WILLIAM W. GILBERT SUMNER S. KOCH

January 29, 1954 SANGA 14. FEB 1 1954

Mr. Richard R. Spurrier Secretary Oil Conservation Commission of the State of New Mexico Santa Fe, New Mexico

> Re: Phillips Petroleum Company vs. Oil Conservation Commission No. 11422; and

> > R. J. Palmer vs. Oil Conservation Commission, No. 6177

Dear Mr. Spurrier:

Enclosed herewith is a copy of my Answer in each of the above cases for your information.

Very truly yours, thite the C. White

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R. J. PALMER,

Plaintiff,

vs.

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OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION, et al, Defendants.

### ACCEPTANCE OF SERVICE

Comes now the OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO, by its attorney, George A. Graham, and hereby acknowledges and accepts service of a copy of the summons and complaint issued in the above referred to cause of action, the same as though the same had been served on it respectively, as provided by law, at Senta Fe, New Mexico, this STA day of January, 1954.

> OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION STATE OF NEW MEXICO

By:

George A. Grahm Santa Fe, <sup>N</sup>ew Mexico It's Attorney

H. J. GUTHMANN ATTORNEY AT LAW PLAZA BUILDING

# OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION P. O. BOX 871 SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

November 12, 1953

Mr. Thomas McKenna, Attorney Santa Fe, New Mexico

Dear Sir:

We enclose signed copy for your client, R. J. Palmer, of Order R-385 issued by this Commission in Case 574, which was brought up for hearing upon Mr. Palmer's application and your representation.

Very truly yours,

W. B. Macey Chief Engineer

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cc: Mr. Oliver Seth, Santa Fe (Attorney for Greenbrier Oil Co.)

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302 E. PALACE AVENUE

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Nov. 25, 1953

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Mr. R. R. Spurrier Oil Conservation Commission P.O. Box 871 Santa Fe, New Mexico In Re: Docket 574.

Dear Mr. Spurrier:

Enclosed herewith please find in triplicate the Application for Rehearing by R. J. Palmer. It is also respectfully requested that Emergency Order E-4 be reinstated and put into effect if the rehearing is granted and that in such case the proper parties, including your District Office at Aztec, New Mexico, be notified of such Order.

Very truly yours,

MCKENNA & SOMMER

By Thomas F. McKenna

Enclosures

THOMAS F. MCKENNA, SR. JOSEPH A. SOMMER

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OU CONSERVATION COMMISSION



GOVERNOR EDWIN L. ALCHER CHAIRMAN LAND COMMISSIONER E.S.WALKER MEMBER STATE GEOLOGIST R.R.SFURRIER

SECRETARY AND DIRECTOR

P. J. BOR SPI SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

October 6, 1953

Memo. to the Commission

CASE 574: The application of R. J. Palmer for an order prohibiting Greenbrier Oil Company from removing any of the casing or surface equipment from their Palmer No. 1 in Section 1, Township 24 North, Range 2 West, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico.

#### **Recommendation:**

The Commission has already entered an emergency order in this case (E-4) prohibiting Greenbrier from removing any of the equipment from the subject well.

Information available indicates that Greenbrier drilled a well during September and October 1951. The well encountered a slight show of gas in the Pictured Cliffs formation at an approximate depth of 3400'. The well was eventually drilled to a total depth of 5230' and then plugged back to 3436'. Where the Pictured Cliffs zone was shot the well cleaned out, the well making a relatively small volume of gas. Subsequently it appears that Greenbrier lost their lease due to non-payment of rentals and now desires to plug the well in a proper manner.

Evidence indicates that Greenbrier has ample legal rights to remove the casing and surface equipment since paragraph 9 of the lease clearly states. This foll. I have serious doubt whether the Commission, under its statutory powers, has the right to prevent anyone from plugging any well that it has drilled provided the well is plugged properly. Therefor, it seems in order for the Commission to adopt an order similar to that furnished by Seth and Montgomery which in affect dismisses the case.

# CASE NO. 784 BEFORE THE OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO

#### CERTIFICATE OF CORRECTION

VIRGINIA M. CHAVEZ, being first duly sworn upon oath, deposes and says:

That the Transcript of Proceedings in the above cause heretofore transcribed by her shows an omission on the last line of Page 11 and that, upon re-checking the original notes of said hearing it appears clearly that the word "YES" should have been supplied and that such word is reflected in the original notes.

It is further certified that the said word has been supplied by the undersigned on said page and that this certificate is hereby made for the purpose of reflecting the true state of facts.

Virginia M. Chavez

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 26th day of August, 1955

Notary Public

My Commission expires:

October 8, 1958

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# New Mexico OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION



GOVERNOR EDWIN L. MECHEM CHAIRMAN LAND COMMISSIONER E.S.WALKER MEMBER STATE GEOLOGIST R.R.SPURRIER SECRETARY AND DIRECTOR

> P. O. BOX 871 SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

MEMO:

TO: W. B. MACEY AND R. R. SPURRIER

SUBJECT: Pitot Test of Greenbrier, Palmer #1, Section 1, Township 24 N, Range 2 West, in connection with Case No. <u>574</u>

This well was tested October 7, 1953 with Mr. Emery Arnold and Dusty Rhodes acsisting and observing.

This well is located about 2 miles north and 3 miles East of Lindrith and about 1/2 mile SW of a farmhouse which I believed to be where Mr. Palmer resides, but I am not sure as he did not come to the well nor did we go to the house.

The calibrated spring gauges belonging to the commission was used since a dead weight gauge was not available. Both tubing and casing pressures were taken. Since the tubing and casing pressure were not the same it was suspected the well was bridged or water logged. After two minutes of flow, the well discharged destillate for about 2 minutes then went to water. The flow was so wet water dripped off the flow nipple. After 30 minutes the flow died to small pulsations indicating a head of water in tubing. We then opened well through the casing in an effort to get a guage without lifting water. The well stabilized at 72.68 MCF/da. New Mexico Base, corrected for atmospheric pressure, gravity, and flow nipple size.

It is my opinion that this well was producing thru considerable water on at least part of the formation. If well was swabbed and put to producing with a bleeder string to blow off water occasionally it would probably make considerably more than this test would indicate but would probably still be a marginal well, economically.

It is my further opinion that the wellhead is of the type which is far more expensive than is necessary for this type of well. The well is tubed with 2 7/8" tubing which is larger than necessary. Further, I do not believe the recovery of 7" casing would be more than 2000 feet and probably less since the cement came up to about 2200 feet below the surface.

It is my opinion the well is of questionable economic value but it would be of considerable value to Mr. Palmer for his personal needs should it be economically feasible for him to lay a line to his house and provide the necessary pressure reducers and water trap.

E. A. UTZ.

Gas Engineer

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# OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

P. O. BOX 871

#### SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

September 30, 1955

Mr. Oliver Seth Seth & Montgomery 111 San Francisco St. Santa Fe, New Mexico

> Re: Greenbrier Oil Company Palmer No. 1 Well, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico NE/4 SW/4 SE/4 Sec. 1, Twp. 24 North, Hange 2 West

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter of September 29th pertaining to the above-captioned well. In order for this Commission to approve the transfer of the above-captioned well from Greenbrier Oil Company to R. J. Palmer, it will be necessary for Mr. Palmer to execute Commission Form C-103 showing thereon the transfer of ownership. Before the Commission can approve this transfer it will be necessary for Mr. Palmer to obtain a \$5,000.00 one-well bond in accordance with Commission Rule 101.

I am instructing our Astec Office to cancel the previous form which granted permission to Greenbrier Oil Company to plug and abandon the well. When Mr. Palmer has executed the proper forms, we will release Greenbrier Oil Company from the plugging bond insofar as this well is concerned.

Very truly yours,

W. B. Macey Secretary - Director

WBM:brp CC-Hr. Thomas KcKenna 302 East Palace Santa Fe, N. M.

Mr. H. J. Guthmann Plaza Building Santa Fe. N. M.

Mr. Emery Arnold Oil Conservation Commission Aztec, N. M. J. O. SETH A.K.MONTGOMERY OLIVER SETH WM, FEDERICI JUSTIN T. REID

SETH AND MONTGOMERY ATTORNEYS AND COUNSELORS AT LAW III SAN FRANCISCO ST. SANTA FE. NEW MEXICO

Croe 574

29 September 1955

Oil Conservation Commission State Capitol Building Santa Fe, New Mexico

> Re: Palmer No. 1 Well. Rio Arriba County, New Mexico NE<sup>±</sup>SW<sup>±</sup>SE<sup>±</sup>, Sec. 1, Twp. 24 N., R. 2 W.

Gentlemen:

You will recall that the above well was the subject of a hearing held before the Commission in Case No. 574 and which case, after final disposition by the Commission, was appealed to the District Court. The appeal has been now dismissed and R. J. Palmer has undertaken the operation and has assumed ownership of the well.

We hereby request approval of the transfer to the said R. J. Palmer and request that Greenbrier Oil Company be released from its obligation to plug the well, and be released under the plugging bond as far as this particular well is concerned. It is further requested that the bonding company be released insofar as this particular well is concerned.

Greenbrier Oil Company has heretofore requested permission to abandon the well. In view of the change of ownership. Greenbrier Oil Company does hereby withdraw its request for permission to abandon and requests that any permission to abandon that has heretofore been given by the Oil Conservation Commission be revoked.

Very truly yours,

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POST OFFICE BOX 487

H. J. GUTHMANN ATTORNEY AT LAW PLAZA BUILDING SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

September 18, 1953

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Mr. R. R. Spurrier Oil Conservation Commission State Capitol Santa Fe, New Mexico

Dear Dick:

Enclosed herewith are copies of the two letters which were introduced in the hearing of the application of Roger J. Palmer which was held yesterday. With kindest regards, I remain

Sincerely yours,

H. GUTHMANN

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GREENBRIER OIL CO. Hamm Building Saint Paul 2, Minnesota Telephone CEdar 5513

May 28, 1953

Mr. H. J. Guthmann Attorney at Law Plaza Building Santa Fe, New Mexico

#### RE: New Mexico, Rio Arriba County Roger J. Palmer Lease

Dear Mr. Guthmann:

As you know, the Roger J. Palmer lease entered into on the 11th day of November, 1949, between Mr. Palmer, as Lessor, and Frank B. Murta and Russell Cobb, as Lessee, and subsequently assigned to the partners of Greenbrier Oil Company, was amended on May 12, 1952. The Amendment changed the date for payment of shut-in gas royalty in lieu of rentals to May 15 of each year in place of the November 19th rental date, and it was because of this change that the shut-in royalties were inadvertently overlooked.

Under the lease as amended, we will remove casing and any other equipment on the leashold now that Mr. Palmer has terminated the lease. However, before doing so, we would appreciate advice from you or your client as to the terms, if any, upon which this lease, as amended, might be reinstated.

Perhaps you are familiar with the fact that the value of the shut-in well on this lease is highly questionable for the reason that its potential production is very small, and for the more important reason that lack of development in the area makes it extremely unlikely that any pipeline will be brought in within any reasonable period. Therefore, there is no disposition on our part to spend any substantial sum of money over and above payments provided for in the lease as amended to reinstate the lease.

Because we wish to proceed with reasonable promptness to remove casing, we would appreciate a reply to this letter as promptly as possible, but will wait fifteen days from the date hereof before arranging to salvage the casing and equipment.

Very truly yours,

GREENBRIER OIL COMPANY

By: /s/ R. W. Anderson

R. W. Anderson

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June 19, 1953

Mr. H. J. Guthmann Attorney at Law Plaza Building Santa Fe, New Mexico

> RE: New Mexico, Rio Arriba County Roger Palmer Lease H-183, M-45

Dear Mr. Guthmann:

Your letter of June 16, 1953, addressed to Mr. R. W. Anderson of Greenbrier Oil Company, has been referred to us by our client, Greenbrier Oil Company.

As indicated to you in prior correspondence, our client has no interest whatever in entering into a new lease on the Palmer property upon terms in excess of those contained in the old lease as amended.

Since the general rule established by various Courts' decisions is to the effect that a lessee, upon expiration or other termination of the lease, may enter and remove personal property including casing, tubular goods, etc. even without any provision to that effect in the lease, we fail to see any justification whatever for Mr. Palmer's position that Greenbrier Oil Company has no right to remove said casing and tubular goods. Even without the rule of law established by the decisions, such action is clearly provided for in the lease itself.

Should it become necessary to do so, we are prepared to bring the necessary proceedings to establish our rights in this respect.

Very truly yours,

BUNDLIE, KELLEY, FINLEY AND MAUN

/s/ Ronald S. Hazel

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