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**SKELLY OIL COMPANY**

**TULSA 2, OKLAHOMA**

PRODUCTION DEPARTMENT  
J. S. FREEMAN, VICE PRESIDENT

April 25, 1956

Re: Approval of West Tatum Unit Agreement  
Lea County, New Mexico

Mr. A. L. Porter, Jr.  
New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission  
Box 871  
Santa Fe, New Mexico

Dear Sir:

We desire this letter to be our application for hearing before the Commission on its May 16 docket for approval of a proposed Skelly operated unit agreement between Skelly Oil Company and Sinclair Oil and Gas Company covering 1280 acres as follows: All of Sections 26 and 35, Township 12 South, Range 35 East, Lea County, New Mexico.

Attached hereto are three exhibits indicating the unit area involved, the schedule of percentage and ownership of oil and gas interest in the lands and a structure map of the seismic interpretation near the Devonian horizon showing that the unit will cover substantially all of the proper productive area. All of the lands covered in the above description are state lands and we desire to drill a proposed Devonian test to approximately 13,200', with the proposed location being in the SE SW of Section 26, Township 12 South, Range 35 East, Lea County, New Mexico.

You will note from the attached exhibits that our information indicates the following companies have acreage offsetting the unit: Vicars, Gulf, R. Nix, Sinclair, Phillips, E. D. White, E. G. Levick, R. H. Davis. Within the unit Sinclair and Skelly.

Preliminary copies of the unit agreement and operating agreement are being sent to both the Commission and Land Commissioner so that they can each be familiar prior to the hearing.

Yours very truly,

SKELLY OIL COMPANY

*George W. Selinger*  
By \_\_\_\_\_  
George W. Selinger

GWS:zmr  
cc-List Attached

*Regular  
1/3  
on 4/1/56*

*Unit copy  
done  
on 6/4/56*

cc-Honorable E. S. Walker  
Land Commissioner  
Mabry Hall  
Santa Fe, New Mexico

Mr. J. N. Dunlavey

Mr. W. J. Stewart