

**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. 1162  
Order No. R-918

**IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF  
NORTHWEST PRODUCTION CORPORATION FOR  
AN ORDER AUTHORIZING A TRIPLE GAS  
COMPLETION OF ITS JICARILLA "W" WELL  
NO. 2-5 LOCATED IN THE NW/4 NE/4 OF  
SECTION 5, TOWNSHIP 26 NORTH, RANGE  
5 WEST, NMPM, RIO ARRIBA COUNTY, NEW  
MEXICO.**

**ORDER OF THE COMMISSION**

**BY THE COMMISSION:**

This cause came on for hearing at 9:00 o'clock a.m. on October 17, 1956, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before the Oil Conservation Commission of New Mexico, hereinafter referred to as the "Commission."

NOW, on this 12<sup>th</sup> day of November, 1956, the Commission, a quorum being present, having considered the application, the evidence adduced, and being fully advised in the premises,

**FINDS:**

- (1) That due notice of the time and place of hearing and the purpose thereof having been given as required by law, the Commission has jurisdiction of this case and the subject matter thereof.
- (2) That applicant is the operator of the Jicarilla "W" Well No. 2-5, located 990 feet from the North line and 1650 feet from the East line of Section 5, Township 26 North, Range 5 West, NMPM, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico.
- (3) That the said Jicarilla "W" Well No. 2-5 has been completed to a total depth of 7678 feet.
- (4) That the said Jicarilla "W" Well No. 2-5 is not located within the present horizontal boundaries of any designated gas pool. However, it is governed by the Special Rules and Regulations for the Blanco-Mesaverde Pool since it is situated within one (1) mile of said pool.
- (5) That the applicant proposes to complete the said Jicarilla "W" Well No. 2-5 in the Pictured Cliffs, Mesaverde and Dakota formations in the manner outlined in the application.
- (6) That the mechanics of the proposed triple completion are feasible and in good practice.

(7) That the applicant will recover gas by means of the proposed triple completion that would not otherwise be recovered since it might not be commercially feasible to make a single completion in any of the three producing horizons.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

(1) That the applicant, Northwest Production Corporation, be and the same is hereby authorized to complete its Jicarilla "W" Well No. 2-5, located in the NW/4 NE/4 of Section 5, Township 26 North, Range 5 West, NMPM, in the following manner:

(a) Perforate the liner opposite the Dakota formation and produce the gas therefrom through 2 7/8 inch diameter tubing to the top of the Mesaverde formation and thence through a cross-over assembly into 1 1/4 inch diameter tubing which is inside the 2 7/8 inch diameter tubing to the surface;

(b) Perforate the liner opposite the Mesaverde formation and produce the gas therefrom through the tubing-tubing annulus to the surface;

(c) Perforate the casing opposite the Pictured Cliffs formation and produce the gas therefrom through 1 1/4 inch diameter tubing to the surface;

(d) Production packers shall be set near the top of the Mesaverde formation and near the top of the Dakota formations.

PROVIDED HOWEVER: That upon the actual triple completion of said subject well, applicant shall submit to the district office of the Commission in which the subject well is located, Form C-104, Form C-110 and Form C-122 for each pool, outlining the information required on these forms by existing Rules and Regulations.

PROVIDED HOWEVER: That subject well shall be completed and thereafter produced in such a manner that there will be no commingling of gas within the well bore, either within or outside the casing, from any of the separate strata, and

PROVIDED FURTHER: That the gas produced from each zone or stratum shall be metered and reported separately.

PROVIDED FURTHER: That the subject well shall be equipped in such a way that reservoir pressures may be determined separately for each of the three specified strata and further be equipped with all necessary connections required to permit recording meters to be installed and used at any time as may be required by the Commission or its representatives in order that the natural gas from each separate stratum may be accurately measured and the gas-distillate ratio thereof be determined and

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PROVIDED FURTHER, That the operator-applicant, shall make any and all tests, including segregation tests and packer leakage tests on completion and annually thereafter during the annual Deliverability Test of the Blanco-Mesaverde Pool, but not excluding other tests and/or determinations at any convenient time and in such manner as deemed necessary by the Commission; the original and all subsequent tests shall be witnessed by representatives of offset operators if any there be at their election, and the results of each test properly attested to by the applicant herein and all witnesses, and shall be filed with the Commission within fifteen (15) days after the completion of such tests, and that the operator shall submit a packer setting affidavit within fifteen (15) days after completion, after remedial work, or whenever the packer is disturbed, and,

PROVIDED FURTHER, That upon the actual triple completion of the subject well, applicant shall submit to the Commission, a diagrammatic sketch of the mechanical installation which was actually used to complete and produce the seal between the strata and a special report of production, gas-distillate and reservoir pressure determinations of each producing zone or stratum immediately following completion.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED: That jurisdiction of this cause is hereby retained by the Commission for such further order or orders as may seem necessary or convenient for the prevention of waste and/or protection of correlative rights. Upon failure of applicant to comply with any requirement of this order after proper notice and hearing, the Commission may terminate the authority hereby granted and require applicant or its successors and assigns to limit its activities to regular single-zone production in the interests of conservation.

STATE OF NEW MEXICO  
OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

  
JOHN F. SIMMS, Chairman

  
E. S. WALKER, Member

  
A. L. PORTER, Jr., Member & Secretary



**OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION**

P. O. BOX 871

**SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO**

November 20, 1956

**Mr. W. R. Johnston  
Northwest Production Corporation  
520 Simms Building  
Albuquerque, New Mexico**

Dear Sir:

We enclose two copies each of Orders R-917 and R-918 issued November 13, 1956, by the Oil Conservation Commission in Cases 1161 and 1162, which were heard on October 17, 1956.

Very truly yours,

**A. L. Porter, Jr.  
Secretary-Director**

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OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

P. O. BOX 371

SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter of the 10th instant regarding the proposed drilling of an oil well on the land owned by the Santa Fe Land & Cattle Co., Santa Fe, New Mexico.

Very truly yours,

The Commission is authorized to issue permits for the drilling of oil wells on public lands, but it is not authorized to issue permits for the drilling of oil wells on private lands. The land in question is private land owned by the Santa Fe Land & Cattle Co., and therefore the Commission is unable to issue a permit for the drilling of an oil well on this land.

Sincerely yours,

W. H. H. [Signature]

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