

NEW MEXICO
OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION
P. O. Box 871
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Date May 21, 1958

George L. Verity
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Gentlemen:

Your application ~~for~~ on behalf of A. A. Greer, et al., for exceptions to
the allowable for wells in the Pictured Cliffs formation

dated April 30, 1958 has been received, and has been tentatively
scheduled for hearing before an examiner on
May 28, 1958

A copy of the docket will be forwarded to you as soon as the matter is
advertised.

Very truly yours,


A. L. PORTER, Jr.,
Secretary-Director

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Gentlemen:

Under date of April 30, 1958, I forwarded you an application for an order calling for exceptions to the allowable for wells in the Pictured Cliffs formation, which application was filed in behalf of A. A. Greer, et al.

I have not received any notification of setting of this case. Will you please advise me if it has been set and when.

Yours truly,


Geo. L. Verity

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Case 1461

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RE CASE 1461. AZTEC OIL & GAS COMPANY CONCURS IN APPLICATION OF A.A. GREER ET AL FOR AN EXCEPTION TO THE ACREAGE FACTORS ESTABLISHED BY ORDER R-565-C FOR CERTAIN WELLS IN SAN JUAN COUNTY, NEW MEXICO. AZTEC OFFSETS MOST OF THE WELLS INVOLVD IN VAPPLICANT'S APPLICATION AND HAS SEVEN PICTURED CLIFFS WELLS DRILLED ON A 40-ACRE BASIS PRIOR TO ORDER 748 THAT HAVE AN ACREAGE FACTOR OF LESS THAN ONE. SIX OF THESE AZTEC WELLS HAVE BEEN SHUT IN FOR EXTENDED PERIODS OF TIME DUE TO OVERPRODUCTION, AND SOME RELIEF SHOULD BE GRANTED TO PREVENT PREMATURE ABANDONMENT=
AZTEC OIL & GAS CO QUILMAN B DAVIS=

=1461 R-565-C 40 748=

BEFORE THE OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION OF THE
STATE OF NEW MEXICO

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

CASE NO. 126
ORDER NO. 748

IN THE MATTER OF THE PETITION OF THE
SOUTHERN UNION PRODUCTION COMPANY FOR AN
ORDER FIXING THE SPACING OF WELLS IN THE
KUTZ CANYON-FULCHER BASIN GAS FIELDS OF SAN
JUAN COUNTY (AS THEY MAY BE EXTENDED) ON THE
BASIS OF ONE WELL TO A DRILLING UNIT OF AP-
PROXIMATELY 160 ACRES WITH SUITABLE PROVIS-
IONS FOR ANY RELATED MATTERS, INCLUDING
SPECIAL APPROVAL OF NONCONFORMING WELL LO-
CATIONS WHERE NECESSARY.

BEFORE EXAMINER UTZ
OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Green EXHIBIT NO. A
CASE NO. 1461

ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

BY THE COMMISSION:

WHEREAS, after due notice as required by law the Commission held a public hearing in Santa Fe on February 17, 1948, to consider the petition of Southern Union Production Company for the adoption of an order fixing the spacing of wells hereafter drilled in the Kutz Canyon-Fulcher Basin gas field, San Juan County, New Mexico, and related matters; and

WHEREAS, the Commission having considered the evidence adduced at such hearing, pertinent information otherwise available in the Commission's records, the statements made and viewpoints expressed by interested parties at or in connection with such hearing.

FINDS, from the evidence adduced:

- A. That the Kutz Canyon and Fulcher Basin gas pools are productive of natural gas from the Pictured Cliffs sandstone formation, that such pools are contiguous and from all information available to date appear to be one continuous gas producing area or pool in the Pictured Cliffs sandstone;
- B. That such pool has produced natural gas for more than 15 years, during which time the average of well-head pressures has declined approximately 200 P.S.I. gauge.
- C. That by reason of rules of this Commission previously applicable to the pool, of the general practices of certain operators in the area and of policies of the U. S. Geological Survey, a fairly uniform spacing of one well to 160 acres has heretofore prevailed throughout most of the pool;
- D. That one well will, in view of present evidence, economically and effectively drain the recoverable gas from at least 160 acres of the pool, and, accordingly, that more dense spacing in the pool may be conducive to waste and will unnecessarily increase the costs of development and production.
- E. That for wells hereafter drilled, a general spacing pattern of one centrally located well on a unit of 160 acres, substantially in the shape of a square, is required to protect the equities of those having interests in wells heretofore drilled on 160-acre tracts, for which general spacing pattern the pooling of properties should be encouraged when necessary;
- F. That the gas productive area of the pool is likely to be substantially more extensive than the presently developed portion thereof;
- G. That waste will result in the drilling of wells in the pool, unless special rules and regulations are adopted for the prevention thereof; and

H. That, while the Kutz Canyon-Fulcher Basin gas field has been commercially productive for more than 15 years, it has not been subject to cooperative action representative of the interest of all the operators or leaseholders within the area during that period. In addition, properties, holdings and/or leases of any undetermined number of small landowners or leaseholders, whose total acreage is either less than 160 acres or includes portions of 160-acre tracts, still exist within the pool boundaries, as herein defined. The number of such holdings will be likely to increase as the pool boundaries are extended by subsequent drilling.

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED that, effective on the date of this order, the following rules and regulations shall apply to wells hereafter drilled or completed or recompleted to the Pictured Cliff pool in the Kutz Canyon-Fulcher Basin area, defined below, in addition to the Commission's applicable rules, regulations and orders heretofore or hereafter adopted to the extent not in conflict herewith:

Section 1. No well shall be drilled or completed or recompleted, and no Notice of Intention to Drill or drilling permit shall be approved, unless

- (a) such well be located on a designated drilling unit of not less than one hundred sixty (160) acres of land, more or less, according to legal subdivisions of the United States Land Surveys, in which unit all the interests are consolidated by pooling agreement or otherwise and on which no other well is completed, or approved for completion, in the pool;
- (b) such drilling unit be in the shape of a square except for normal variations in legal subdivisions of the United States Lands Surveys; and
- (c) such well be located on its drilling unit at a distance from the unit boundaries of not less than nine hundred ninety feet (990); provided, if such proposed new well is to be an offset to any then producing gas well completed in the pool, or the drilling of which has authorized prior to the effective date of this order, located on an adjoining unit in which the interests are not identical with those in the unit proposed to be drilled, such proposed well may be located and drilled offsetting the existing well and as close to the common unit boundary line as the well to be so offset.

Section 2. Any provision herein to the contrary notwithstanding, the Commission may, and in proper cases will, on petition or on its own motion, by order entered after notice and hearing to the extent required by law, grant exceptions and permit drilling locations to become effective, thereby authorizing the drilling or completion of wells in the pool not conforming to the requirements of Section 1 above if the Commission shall find that the property sought to be drilled would be deprived of an opportunity to produce gas from the pool in the absence of such exception, and shall also find one or more of the following conditions to exist:

- (a) that consolidation or pooling of the property sought to be drilled with necessary adjoining land, notwithstanding diligent efforts made in good faith, is impossible or impractical;
- (b) that the property sought to be drilled is located within a then developed portion of the pool and its non-conforming size or shape is due to the adjoining developed properties in the pool;
- (c) that because of the nature of the terrain, location of the proposed well at a lesser distance from one of the outer boundaries of its drilling unit should be permitted; or

- (d) that by reason of the location of the property to be drilled along the southwest or northeast flank of the developed portion of the area, it appears improbable that gas can be produced in paying quantities if the well conforms to Section 1, in which case the Commission may modify the requirements of Section 1 as to such well to the extent it deems necessary.

Irrespective of such findings, if the Commission shall find that by reason of all circumstances an exception is proper in the prevention of waste, or undue drainage between properties, or otherwise in the exercise by the Commission of its jurisdiction over the spacing of wells or its other powers conferred by law, express or implied.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that, in accordance with recommendations of the Northwestern New Mexico Nomenclature Committee approved and adopted by this Commission, the Pictured Cliff gas producing pool in the Kats Canyon-Fulcher Basin area, to which this order applies, is defined to include the following described land in San Juan County, New Mexico:

Township 27 North, Range 10 West
 Sec. 3 W/2
 Secs. 4 & 5 All

Township 28 North, Range 10 West
 Secs. 7 & 8 All
 Sec. 15 W/2
 Secs. 16, 17, 18, 19
 20, 21 All
 Sec. 22 W/2
 Sec. 27 W/2
 Secs. 28, 29, 30, 31,
 32, 33 All
 Sec. 34 W/2

Township 28 North, Range 11 West
 Secs. 9, 10, 11, 12, 13
 14, 15, 16, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26 All

Township 29 North, Range 11 West
 Secs. 6, 7, 8, 16, 17, 18,
 19, 20, 21, 22, 26, 27, 28,
 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35,
 36 All

Township 29 North, Range 12 West
 Secs. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7,
 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 23,
 24, 25 All

Township 29 North, Range 13 West
 Sec. 1 All

Township 30 North, Range 12 West
 Sec. 19 All
 Sec. 20 W/2
 Secs. 26, 27, 28, 29,
 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35,
 36 All

Township 30 North, Range 13 West
 Secs. 24, 25, 26 All

All additional lands located within one-half (1/2) mile of any land in the pool as defined or as it may be extended shall conform to these rules and regulations; provided, however, that such pool shall in no event be extended so as to include any lands now or hereafter included by the Commission in some other producing area formally designated as an oil or gas pool in the

Pictured Cliffs, provided, further; by order of this Commission the pool may be redesignated from time to time so as to embrace other lands in the vicinity which are believed, on the basis of additional developments, to be capable of producing gas from the Kuts Canyon-Fulcher Basin pool, whether or not such other lands shall have been at one time included in another designated field or pool producing from the Pictured Cliffs.

Entered and adopted by the Oil Conservation Commission this 22 day of June 1948.

STATE OF NEW MEXICO
OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

CHAIRMAN

MEMBER

SECRETARY

BEFORE THE OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO

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

729)
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CASES: 860) Consolidated
941)
ORDER NO. R-565-C

THE APPLICATION OF THE OIL
CONSERVATION COMMISSION UPON
ITS OWN MOTION FOR AN ORDER
REVISING ORDER R-565 AFFECTING
AND CONCERNING THE FULCHER KUTZ-
PICTURED CLIFFS, THE AZTEC-PICTURED
CLIFFS, AND THE SOUTH BLANCO-PICTURED
CLIFFS GAS POOLS IN SAN JUAN AND RIO
ARRIBA COUNTIES, NEW MEXICO.

BEFORE EXAMINER UTZ	
OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION	
<i>Green</i>	EXHIBIT NO. <i>B</i>
CASE NO. <i>1461</i>	

ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

BY THE COMMISSION:

This cause came on for hearing at 9 o'clock a. m. on June 16, 1954, and was thereupon continued to October 14, 1954, March 16, 1955 and August 17, 1955, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before the Oil Conservation Commission, hereinafter referred to as the "Commission".

NOW, on this 13th day of October, 1955, the Commission, a quorum being present, having considered the records and testimony 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 there is need for the revision of Orders R-565, R-565-A, R-565-B, R-614, R-620 and their consolidation into this order, due to the revision of Order R-333-B.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

That special pool rules applicable to the Fulcher Kutz-Pictured Cliffs Gas Pool, the Aztec-Pictured Cliffs Gas Pool and the South Blanco Pictured Cliffs Gas Pool, be and the same hereby are promulgated, as follows:

SPECIAL RULES AND REGULATIONS
FOR THE FULCHER KUTZ-PICTURED CLIFFS
GAS POOL

Well Spacing and Acreage Requirements for Drilling Tracts:

RULE 1: Any well drilled a distance of one mile or more from the outer boundary of the Fulcher Kutz-Pictured Cliffs Gas Pool shall be classified as a wildcat well. Any well drilled less than one mile from the outer boundary of said pool shall be spaced, drilled, operated and prorated in accordance with the regulations in effect in the Fulcher Kutz-Pictured Cliffs Gas Pool.

RULE 2: Each well drilled or recompleted within the Fulcher Kutz-Pictured Cliffs Gas Pool shall be located on a tract consisting of not less than a quarter section of approximately 160 surface contiguous acres substantially in the form of a square which shall be a legal subdivision (quarter section) of the U. S. Public Land Surveys.

RULE 3: Any well drilled within the defined limits of the Fulcher Kutz-Pictured Cliffs Gas Pool shall be located on a designated drilling tract consisting of not less than a quarter section which is a legal subdivision of the U. S. Public Lands Survey, such quarter section to contain approximately 160 contiguous acres and to be substantially in the form of a square. Such well shall be located at least 990 feet from the outer boundary of said quarter section, provided, however, that a tolerance of 200 feet is permissible.

RULE 4: The Secretary-Director of the Commission shall have authority to grant exception to the requirements of Rules 2 and 3 where application has been filed in due form and such exception is required because of conditions resulting from previously drilled wells in the area or, in the case of Rule 3, the necessity for exception is based upon topographic conditions.

Applicants shall furnish all operators of leases offsetting the lease containing subject well, a copy of the application to the Commission, and applicant shall include with his application a list of names and addresses of all such operators, together with a written statement that all such operators have been properly notified by registered mail. The Secretary-Director of the Commission shall wait at least 20 days before approving any such exception, and shall approve such exception only in the absence of objection of any offset operators. In the event an operator objects to the exception, the Commission shall consider the matter only after proper notice and hearing.

RULE 5: The provision of Statewide Rule 104, Paragraph (k), shall not apply to the Fulcher Kutz-Pictured Cliffs Gas Pool.

Gas Proration and Allocation:

RULE 6: (A) The acreage allocated to a gas well for proration purposes shall be known as the gas proration unit for that well. For the purpose of gas allocation in the Fulcher Kutz-Pictured Cliffs Gas Pool, a standard proration unit shall consist of approximately 160 surface contiguous acres substantially in the form of a square which shall be a legal subdivision (quarter-section) of the U. S. Public Land Survey; provided, however, that a non-standard proration unit may be formed after notice and hearing by the Commission or under the provisions of Paragraph (B) of this rule.

The allowable production from any non-standard gas proration unit as compared with the allowable production therefrom if such tract were a standard unit shall be in the ratio which the area of the non-standard proration unit bears to a standard proration unit of 160 acres, subject to the provisions of Rule 9 of this order. Any gas proration unit containing between 158 and 162 acres shall be considered to contain 160 acres for the purpose of computing allowables.

(B) The Secretary of the Commission shall have authority to grant an exception to Rule 6 (A) without Notice and Hearing where application has been filed in due form and where the following facts exist and the following provisions are complied with;

1. The proposed non-standard proration unit consists of less than 160 acres or where the unorthodox size or shape of the tract is due to a variation in legal subdivision of the U. S. Public Land Surveys.
2. The non-standard gas proration unit consists of contiguous quarter-quarter sections and/or lots.
3. The non-standard gas proration unit lies wholly within a single governmental section.
4. The entire non-standard gas proration unit may reasonably be presumed to be productive of gas.
5. The applicant presents written consent in the form of waivers from:
 - (a) All operators owning interests in the section in which any part of the non-standard gas proration unit is situated and which acreage is not included in said non-standard gas proration unit.
 - (b) All operators owning interests in acreage offsetting the non-standard unit.
6. In lieu of paragraph 5 of this rule, the applicant may furnish proof of the fact that said offset operators were notified by registered mail of his intent to form such non-standard gas proration unit. The Secretary of the Commission may approve the application if, after a period of 30 days following the mailing of said notice, no operator has made objection to formation of such non-standard gas proration unit.

RULE 7: At least 30 days prior to the beginning of each gas proration period, the Commission shall hold a hearing after due notice has been given. The Commission shall cause to be submitted by each gas purchaser "Preliminary Nomina-

tions" of that quantity of gas which each purchaser in good faith actually desires to purchase within the ensuing proration period, by months, from the Fulcher Kutz-Pictured Cliffs Gas Pool. The Commission shall consider the "Preliminary Nominations" of purchasers, actual production, and such other factors as may be deemed applicable in determining the amount of gas that may be produced without waste from said pool within the ensuing proration period. "Preliminary Nominations" shall be submitted on Form C-121-A as prescribed by the Commission.

RULE 8: In the event a gas purchaser's market shall have increased or decreased, purchaser may file with the Commission prior to the 10th day of the month a "Supplemental Nomination" showing the amount of gas the purchaser actually in good faith desires to purchase during the ensuing proration month from the Fulcher Kutz-Pictured Cliffs Gas Pool. The Commission shall hold a public hearing between the 13th and 20th days of each month to determine the reasonable market demand for gas from said pool for the ensuing proration month, and shall issue a proration schedule setting out the amount of gas which each well may produce during the ensuing proration month. "Supplemental Nominations" shall be submitted on Form C-121-A as prescribed by the Commission.

Included in the monthly proration schedule shall be (a) a summary of the total pool allocation for that month showing nominations, and adjustments made for underage or overage applied from a previous month, (b) a tabulation of the net allowable and production for the second preceding month together with a cumulative overage or underage computation, (c) a tabulation of the current and net allowables for the preceding month, (d) a tabulation of current monthly allowable for the ensuing proration month, and (e) a tabulation of the acreage and deliverabilities assigned each well, and the factors assigned each well for use in calculating individual well allowables. The Commission shall include in the proration schedule the gas wells in the Fulcher Kutz-Pictured Cliffs Pool delivering to a gas transportation facility, or lease gathering system, and shall include in the proration schedule of said pool any well which the Commission finds is being unreasonably discriminated against through denial of access to a gas transportation facility which is reasonably capable of handling the type of gas produced by such well. The total allowable to be allocated to said pool each month shall be equal to the sum of the preliminary or supplemental nominations, whichever is applicable, together with any adjustment which the Commission deems advisable.

If, during a proration month, the acreage assigned a well is increased, the operator shall notify the Secretary-Director in writing of such increase. The increased allowable assigned the gas proration unit for the well shall become effective on the first day of the month following receipt of the notification by the Director. All communications shall be mailed to the Director, at Box 871, Santa Fe, New Mexico.

RULE 9: The monthly gas allocation to the Fulcher Kutz-Pictured Cliffs Gas Pool shall be divided and allocated among the wells connected to a gas transportation facility in the following manner:

The product obtained by multiplying each well's acreage factor by the calculated deliverability (expressed as MCF per day) for that well shall be known as the "AD" factor for that well. The acreage factor shall be determined to the nearest hundredth of a unit by dividing the acreage within the proration unit by 160. The "AD" factor shall be computed to the nearest whole unit.

A tentative allocation shall be made by dividing seventy-five percent (75%) of the pool allocation among the wells in the proportion that each well's "AD" factor

bears to the sum of the "AD" factors of all wells in the pool.

The remaining twenty-five percent (25%) of the pool allocation shall be divided among wells in the proportion that each well's acreage factor bears to the sum of the acreage factors of all wells in the pool.

When the tentative allowable received by a well is in excess of its known producing ability, the well shall be classed as a marginal well and its allowable limited to its known producing ability. The sum of the difference between the tentative allowables and the limited allowables of all marginal wells on the proration schedule shall be reallocated to the non-marginal wells by application of the same formula. If such reallocation shall result in placing any other well within the marginal classification, the difference between the tentative allowable and the limited allowable of such marginal well shall be redistributed by application of the same formula until no well has received an allowable in excess of its known producing ability.

Any well having a calculated allowable less than that of the largest allowable assigned a marginal well shall be assigned an allowable equal to the largest marginal allowable; provided that the allowable so assigned shall not be greater than the well's ability to produce. If the allowable so assigned is greater than the well's ability to produce, the well shall be limited to its ability to produce. All wells with allowables so assigned shall be classified as marginal wells.

RULE 10: The calculated deliverability at the "deliverability pressure" shall be determined in accordance with the provisions of Order R-333-C.

Balancing of Production:

RULE 11: Underproduction: The hours of 7 o'clock a. m., M. S. T. February 1, and 7 o'clock a. m., M. S. T., August 1, shall be known as balancing dates and the periods of time bound by these dates shall be known as gas proration periods. In order to effectively administer the prorationing of gas in the Fulcher Kutz-Pictured Cliffs Pool, it is advisable to have a portion of each proration period include both summer and winter months. Therefore, the first proration period shall commence on March 1, 1955, and shall continue for a period of eleven months until February 1, 1956. Future proration periods shall commence on the dates set out above. The amount of current gas allowable remaining unproduced at the end of each proration period shall be carried forward to and may be produced during the next succeeding proration period in addition to the normal gas allowable for such succeeding period; provided, however, that whatever amount thereof is not made up within the first succeeding proration period shall be cancelled.

If it appears that such continued underproduction has resulted from inability of the well to produce its allowable, it may be classified as a marginal well and its allowable reduced to the level of the well's ability to produce.

If, at the end of a proration period a marginal well has produced more than the total allowable assigned a non-marginal unit of corresponding size and deliverability, such marginal well shall be reclassified as a non-marginal well and its allowable prorated accordingly.

If, during a proration period a marginal well is reworked or recompleted in such a manner that its productive capacity is increased to an extent that said well

should be reclassified as a non-marginal well, the reclassification shall be effective on the first day of the proration month following the date of recompletion.

The Secretary-Director may reclassify a well at any time if production data or deliverability tests reflect the need for such reclassification.

RULE 12: Overproduction: A well which has produced a greater amount of gas than was allowed during a given proration period shall have its allowable for the first succeeding proration period reduced by the amount of such overproduction and such overproduction shall be made up within the first succeeding proration period. If, at any time, a well is overproduced an amount equivalent to six times its current monthly allowable, said well shall be shut-in during the current month.

The Commission may allow overproduction to be made up at a lesser rate than would be the case if the well were completely shut-in if, upon public hearing after due notice, it is shown that complete shut-in of the well would result in material damage to said well.

Granting of Allowables:

RULE 13: No gas well shall be given an allowable until Form C-104 and Form C-110 have been filed, together with a plat showing acreage attributed to said well and the locations of all wells on the lease.

RULE 14: Allowables to newly completed gas wells shall commence

- (a) on the date of connection to a gas transportation facility, such date to be determined from an affidavit furnished to the Commission (Box 697, Aztec, New Mexico) by the purchaser,
- (b) The latest filing date of Form C-104, C-110 or the above described plat, or
- (c) a date 45 days prior to the date upon which the well's initial deliverability and shut-in pressure test is reported to the Commission on Form C-122 in conformance with the provisions of R-333-C,

whichever date is the later.

No well shall be assigned an allowable unless a deliverability test, or a potential test taken in conformance with the provisions of Order R-333-C has been submitted.

Deliverability tests shall be taken and calculated in conformance with Order R-333-C, the provisions of Rule 10 of this order and the testing schedule provision of Order R-333-C.

A change in a well's deliverability due to retest or test after recompletion or workover shall become effective the first of the month following receipt and approval of Form C-122-A for such test. Such tests shall be taken in accordance with Order R-333-C.

Deliverability tests taken during 1954 shall be used in calculating allowables for the proration period commencing March 1, 1955. Subsequent annual tests shall be

used in calculating allowables for proration periods commencing during the next ensuing year.

Reporting of Production:

RULE 15: The monthly gas production from each well shall be metered separately and the production therefrom shall be reported to the Commission on Form C-115, and such report shall be postmarked on or before the 24th day of the month immediately following the month in which the gas reported was produced. The operator shall show on such report the disposition of the gas produced.

Each purchaser or taker of gas in the Fulcher Kutz-Pictured Cliffs Gas Pool shall submit a report to the Commission, and such report shall be postmarked on or before the 15th day of the month immediately following the month in which the gas was purchased or taken. Such report shall be filed on either Form C-111 or Form C-114, whichever is applicable, and the wells shall be listed in approximately the same order as they are found listed on the proration schedule.

Forms C-111 and C-114 as referred to herein shall be submitted triplicate, the original being sent to the Commission at Box 871, Santa Fe, New Mexico, remaining copies will be sent to Box 697, Aztec, New Mexico and Box 2045, Hobbs, New Mexico, respectively.

Forms C-115 shall be submitted in accordance with Rule 1114 of the Commission's Rules and Regulations.

The full production of gas from each well shall be charged against the well's allowable regardless of the disposition of the gas; provided, however, that gas used in maintaining the producing ability of the well shall not be charged against the allowable.

RULE 16: The term "gas purchaser" as used in these rules, shall mean any "taker" of gas either at the wellhead or at any point on the lease where connection is made to facilitate the transportation or utilization of gas. It shall be the responsibility of said "taker" to submit a nomination in accordance with Rules 7 and 8 of this order.

RULE 17: No gas, either dry gas or casinghead gas, produced from the Fulcher Kutz-Pictured Cliffs Gas Pool, except that gas used for "drilling-in" purposes, shall be flared or vented unless specifically authorized by order of the Commission after notice and hearing.

SPECIAL RULES AND REGULATIONS
FOR THE AZTEC-PICTURED CLIFFS
GAS POOL

Well Spacing and Acreage Requirements for Drilling Tracts:

RULE 1: Any well drilled a distance of one mile or more from the outer boundary of the Aztec-Pictured Cliffs Gas Pool shall be classified as a wildcat well. Any well drilled less than one mile from the outer boundary of said pool shall be spaced, drilled, operated, and prorated in accordance with the regulations in effect in the Aztec-Pictured Cliffs Gas Pool.

RULE 2: Each well drilled or recompleted within the Aztec-Pictured Cliffs Gas Pool shall be located on a tract consisting of not less than a quarter section approximately 160 surface contiguous acres substantially in the form of a square which shall be a legal subdivision (quarter section) of the U. S. Public Land Surveys.

RULE 3: Any well drilled within the defined limits of the Aztec-Pictured Cliffs Gas Pool shall be located on a designated drilling tract consisting of not less than a quarter section which is a legal subdivision of the U. S. Public Lands Survey, such quarter section to contain approximately 160 surface contiguous acres and to be substantially in the form of a square. Such well shall be located at least 990 feet from the outer boundary of said quarter section, provided, however, that a tolerance of 200 feet is permissible.

RULE 4: The Secretary-Director of the Commission shall have authority to grant exception to the requirements of Rules 2 and 3 where application has been filed in due form and such exception is required because of conditions resulting from previously drilled wells in the area or, in the case of Rule 3, the necessity for exception is based upon topographic conditions.

Applicants shall furnish all operators of leases offsetting the lease containing subject well a copy of the application to the Commission, and applicant shall include with his application a list of names and addresses of all such operators, together with a written statement that all such operators have been properly notified by registered mail. The Secretary-Director of the Commission shall wait at least 20 days before approving any such exception, and shall approve such exception only in the absence of objection of any offset operators. In the event an operator objects to the exception, the Commission shall consider the matter only after proper notice and hearing.

RULE 5: The provision of Statewide Rule 104, Paragraph (k), shall not apply to the Aztec-Pictured Cliffs Gas Pool.

Gas Proration and Allocation:

RULE 6: (A) The acreage allocated to a gas well for proration purposes shall be known as the gas proration unit for that well. For the purpose of gas allocation in the Aztec-Pictured Cliffs Gas Pool, a standard proration unit shall consist of approximately 160 surface contiguous acres substantially in the form of a square which shall be a legal subdivision (quarter-section) of the U. S. Public Land Survey; provided, however, that a non-standard unit may be formed after notice and hearing by the Commission or under the provisions of Paragraph (B) of this Rule.

The allowable production from any non-standard gas proration unit as compared with the allowable production therefrom if such tract were a standard unit shall be in the ratio which the area of the non-standard proration unit bears to a standard proration unit of 160 acres, subject to the provisions of Rule 9 of this order. Any gas proration unit containing between 158 and 162 acres shall be considered to contain 160 acres for the purpose of computing allowables.

(B) The Secretary of the Commission shall have authority to grant an exception to Rule 6 (A) without Notice and Hearing where application has been filed in due form and where the following facts exist and the following provisions are complied with:

1. The proposed non-standard proration unit consists of less than 160 acres or where the unorthodox size or shape of the tract is due to a variation in legal subdivision of the U. S. Public Land Surveys.
2. The non-standard gas proration unit consists of contiguous quarter-quarter sections and/or lots.
3. The non-standard gas proration unit lies wholly within a single governmental section.
4. The entire non-standard gas proration unit may reasonably be presumed to be productive of gas.
5. The applicant presents written consent in the form of waivers from:
 - (a) All operators owning interests in the section in which any part of the non-standard gas proration unit is situated and which acreage is not included in said non-standard gas proration unit.
 - (b) All operators owning interests in acreage offsetting the non-standard unit.
6. In lieu of paragraph 5 of this rule, the applicant may furnish proof of the fact that said offset operators were notified by registered mail of his intent to form such non-standard gas proration unit. The Secretary of the Commission may approve the application if, after a period of 30 days following the mailing of said notice, no operator has made objection to formation of such non-standard gas proration unit.

RULE 7: At least 30 days prior to the beginning of each gas proration period, the Commission shall hold a hearing after due notice has been given. The Commission shall cause to be submitted by each gas purchaser "Preliminary Nominations" of that quantity of gas which each purchaser in good faith actually desires to purchase within the ensuing proration period, by months, from the Aztec-Pictured Cliffs Gas Pool. The Commission shall consider the "Preliminary Nominations" of purchasers, actual production, and such other factors as may be deemed applicable in determining the amount of gas that may be produced without waste from said pool within the ensuing proration period. "Preliminary Nominations" shall be submitted on Form C-121-A as prescribed by the Commission.

RULE 8: In the event a gas purchaser's market shall have increased or decreased, purchaser may file with the Commission prior to the 10th day of the month a "Supplemental Nomination" showing the amount of gas the purchaser actually in good faith desires to purchase during the ensuing proration month from the Aztec-Pictured Cliffs Gas Pool. The Commission shall hold a public hearing between the 13th and 20th days of each month to determine the reasonable market demand for gas from said pool for the ensuing proration month, and shall issue a proration schedule setting out the amount of gas which each well may produce during the ensuing proration month. "Supplemental Nominations" shall be submitted on Form C-121-A as prescribed by the Commission.

Included in the monthly proration schedule shall be (a) a summary of the total pool allocation for that month showing nominations, and adjustments made for underage or overage applied from a previous month, (b) a tabulation of the net allowable and production for the second preceding month together with a cumulative overage or underage computation, (c) a tabulation of the current and net allowables for the preceding month, (d) a tabulation of current monthly allowable for the ensuing proration month, and (e) a tabulation of the acreage and deliverabilities assigned each well, and the factors assigned each well for use in calculating individual well allowables. The Commission shall include in the proration schedule the gas wells in the Aztec-Pictured Cliffs Pool delivering to a gas transportation facility, or lease gathering system, and shall include in the proration schedule of said pool any well which the Commission finds is being unreasonably discriminated against through denial of access to a gas transportation facility which is reasonably capable of handling the type of gas produced by such well. The total allowable to be allocated to said pool each month shall be equal to the sum of the preliminary or supplemental nominations, whichever is applicable, together with any adjustment which the Commission deems advisable.

If, during a proration month, the acreage assigned a well is increased, the operator shall notify the Secretary-Director in writing of such increase. The increased allowable assigned the gas proration unit for the well shall become effective on the first day of the month following receipt of the notification by the Director. All communications shall be mailed to the Director, at Box 871, Santa Fe, New Mexico.

RULE 9: The monthly gas allocation to the Aztec-Pictured Cliffs Gas Pool shall be divided and allocated among the wells connected to a gas transportation facility in the following manner:

The Product obtained by multiplying each well's acreage factor by the calculated deliverability (expressed as MCF per day) for that well shall be known as the "AD" factor for that well. The acreage factor shall be determined to the nearest hundredth of a unit by dividing the acreage within the proration unit by 160. The "AD" factor shall be computed to the nearest whole unit.

A tentative allocation shall be made by dividing seventy-five percent (75%) of the pool allocation among the wells in the proportion that each well's "AD" factor bears to the sum of the "AD" factors of all wells in the pool.

The remaining twenty-five percent (25%) of the pool allocation shall be divided among wells in the proportion that each well's acreage factor bears to the sum of the acreage factors of all wells in the pool.

When the tentative allowable received by a well is in excess of its known producing ability, the well shall be classed as a marginal well and its allowable limited to its known producing ability. The sum of the difference between the tentative allowables and the limited allowables of all marginal wells on the proration schedule shall be reallocated to the non-marginal wells by application of the same formula. If such reallocation shall result in placing any other well within the marginal classification, the difference between the tentative allowable and the limited allowable of such marginal well shall be redistributed by application of the same formula until no well has received an allowable in excess of its known producing ability.

Any well having a calculated allowable less than that of the largest allowable assigned a marginal well shall be assigned an allowable equal to the largest marginal allowable; provided that the allowable so assigned shall not be greater than the well's ability to produce. If the allowable so assigned is greater than the well's ability to

produce, the well shall be limited to its ability to produce. All wells with allowables so assigned shall be classified as marginal wells.

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If it appears that such continued underproduction has resulted from inability of the well to produce its allowable, it may be classified as a marginal well and its allowable reduced to the level of the well's ability to produce.

If, at the end of a proration period a marginal well has produced more than the total allowable assigned a non-marginal unit of corresponding size and deliverability, such marginal well shall be reclassified as a non-marginal well and its allowable prorated accordingly.

If, during a proration period a marginal well is reworked or recompleted in such a manner that its productive capacity is increased to an extent that said well should be reclassified as a non-marginal well, the reclassification shall be effective on the first day of the proration month following the date of recompletion.

The Secretary-Director may reclassify a well at any time if production data or deliverability tests reflect the need for such reclassification.

RULE 12: Overproduction: A well which has produced a greater amount of gas than was allowed during a given proration period shall have its allowable for the first succeeding proration period reduced by the amount of such overproduction and such overproduction shall be made up within the first succeeding proration period. If, at any time, a well is overproduced an amount equivalent to six times its current monthly allowable, said well shall be shut-in during the current month.

The Commission may allow overproduction to be made up at a lesser rate than would be the case if the well were completely shut-in if, upon public hearing after due notice, it is shown that complete shut-in of the well would result in material damage to said well.

Granting of Allowables:

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Form C-110 have been filed, together with a plat showing acreage attributed to said well and the locations of all wells on the lease.

RULE 14: Allowables to newly completed gas wells shall commence

- (a) on the date of connection to a gas transportation facility, such date to be determined from an affidavit furnished to the Commission (Box 697, Aztec, New Mexico) by the purchaser.
- (b) the latest filing date of Form C-104, C-110 or the above described plat, or
- (c) a date 45 days prior to the date upon which the well's initial deliverability and shut-in pressure test is reported to the Commission on Form C-122-A in conformance with the provisions of R-333-C,

whichever date is the later.

No well shall be assigned an allowable unless a deliverability test, taken in conformance with the provisions of Order R-333-C has been submitted.

Deliverability tests shall be taken and calculated in conformance with Order R-333-C, the provisions of Rule 10 of this order and the testing schedule provisions of Order R-333-C.

A change in a wells deliverability due to retest or test after recompletion or workover shall become effective the first of the month following receipt and approval of Form C-122-A for such test. Such tests shall be taken in accordance with Order R-333-C.

Deliverability tests taken during 1954 shall be used in calculating allowables for the proration period commencing March 1, 1955. Subsequent annual tests shall be used in calculating allowables for proration periods commencing during the next ensuing year.

Reporting of Production:

RULE 15: The monthly gas production from each well shall be metered separately and the production therefrom shall be reported to the Commission on Form C-115, and such report shall be postmarked on or before the 24th day of the month immediately following the month in which the gas reported was produced. The operator shall show on such report the disposition of the gas produced.

Each purchaser or taker of gas in the Aztec Pictured Cliffs Gas Pool shall submit a report to the Commission, and such report shall be postmarked on or before the 15th day of the month immediately following the month in which the gas was purchased or taken. Such report shall be filed on Form C-111 or Form C-114, whichever is applicable, and the wells shall be listed in approximately the same order as they are found listed on the proration schedule.

Forms C-111 and C-114 as referred to herein shall be submitted in triplicate, the original being sent to the Commission at Box 871, Santa Fe, New Mexico, remaining copies will be sent to Box 697, Aztec, New Mexico and Box 2045, Hobbs, New Mexico, respectively.

Forms C-115 shall be submitted in accordance with Rule 1114 of the Commission's Rules and Regulations.

The full production of gas from each well shall be charged against the well's allowable regardless of the disposition of the gas; provided, however, that gas used in maintaining the producing ability of the well shall not be charged against the allowable.

RULE 16: The term "gas purchaser" as used in these rules, shall mean any "taker" of gas either at the wellhead or at any point on the lease where connection is made to facilitate the transportation or utilization of gas. It shall be the responsibility of said "taker" to submit a nomination in accordance with Rules 7 and 8 of this order.

RULE 17: No gas, either dry gas or casinghead gas, produced from the Aztec-Pictured Cliffs Gas Pool, except that gas used for "drilling-in" purposes, shall be flared or vented unless specifically authorized by Order of the Commission after notice and hearing.

**SPECIAL RULES AND REGULATIONS
FOR THE SOUTH BLANCO-PICTURED CLIFFS
GAS POOL**

Well Spacing and Acreage Requirements for Drilling Tracts:

RULE 1: Any well drilled a distance of one mile or more from the outer boundary of the South Blanco-Pictured Cliffs Gas Pool shall be classified as a wildcat well. Any well drilled less than one mile from the outer boundary of said pool shall be spaced, drilled, operated and prorated in accordance with the regulations in effect in the South Blanco-Pictured Cliffs Gas Pool.

RULE 2: Each well drilled or recompleted within the South Blanco-Pictured Cliffs Gas Pool shall be located on a tract consisting of not less than a quarter section of approximately 160 surface contiguous acres substantially in the form of a square which shall be a legal subdivision (quarter section) of the U. S. Public Land Surveys.

RULE 3: "Any well drilled within the defined limits of the South Blanco-Pictured Cliffs Gas Pool shall be located on a designated drilling tract consisting of not less than a quarter section which is a legal subdivision of the U. S. Public Lands Survey, such quarter section to contain approximately 160 surface contiguous acres and to be substantially in the form of a square. Such well shall be located at least 990 feet from the outer boundary of said quarter section, provided, however, that a tolerance of 200 feet is permissible."

RULE 4: The Secretary-Director of the Commission shall have authority to grant exception to the requirements of Rules 2 and 3 where application has been filed in due form and such exception is required because of conditions resulting from previously drilled wells in the area or, in the case of Rule 3, the necessity for exception is based upon topographic conditions.

Applicants shall furnish all operators of leases offsetting the lease containing subject well a copy of the application to the Commission, and applicant shall include with his application a list of names and addresses of all such operators, together with a written statement that all such operators have been properly notified by registered mail. The Secretary-Director of the Commission shall wait at least 20 days before approving any such exception, and shall approve such exception only in the absence of

objection of any offset operators. In the event an operator objects to the exception, the Commission shall consider the matter only after proper notice and hearing.

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Gas Proration and Allocation:

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The following provisions shall apply to the Aztec Pictured Cliffs Gas Pool, the Fulcher Kutz-Pictured Cliffs Gas Pool and the South Blanco-Pictured Cliffs Gas Pool.

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strictly comply with the applicable provisions of Rule 104 (b). Accompanying the above form shall be a plat of the acreage contained in the proration unit, together with a complete list of all working interest owners designating the acreage they hold within the communitized area dedicated to the well.

PROVIDED FURTHER, That failure to comply with the provisions of this order or the rules contained herein shall result in the cancellation of allowable assigned to the affected well. No further allowable shall be assigned to the affected well until all rules and regulations are complied with. The Secretary-Director shall notify the operator of the well and the purchaser, in writing, of the date of allowable cancellation and the reason therefor.

PROVIDED FURTHER, That all transporters of gas or users of gas shall furnish connection notices to the Commission in accordance with the provisions of Rule 14, as soon as possible after the date of connection.

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

STATE OF NEW MEXICO
OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

JOHN F. SIMMS, Chairman

E. S. WALKER, Member

W. B. MACEY, Member and Secretary

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