

BEFORE THE  
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SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

IN THE MATTER OF:

CASE 1644

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CASE 1644 Application of J. E. Bedingfield for an ex-  
ception to Rule 104 (c) of the Commission :  
Rules and Regulations. Applicant, in the :  
above-styled cause, seeks an exception to :  
Rule 104 (c) so that he may re-enter a well :  
located 1980 feet from the South and East :  
lines of Section 32, Township 17 South, :  
Range 28 East, Eddy County, New Mexico, :  
said well being located closer than 660 :  
feet to a producing well. :  
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BEFORE:

Daniel S. Nutter, Examiner.

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MR. NUTTER: We will take next Case 1644.

MR. PAYNE: Case 1644. Application of J. E. Beding-  
field for an exception to Rule 104 (c) of the Commission Rules and  
Regulations.

MR. PAYNE: Mr. Bedingfield, do you intend to repre-  
sent yourself and be the sole witness?

MR. BEDINGFIELD: I've got to represent myself and  
associates of mine.

(Witness sworn)

J. E. BEDINGFIELD,

called as a witness, having been first duly sworn on oath, testified as follows:

DIRECT EXAMINATION

BY MR. PAYNE:

Q Will the witness please --

A My hearing is just a little bad, and sometimes --

Q Will the witness please state his name and what he is seeking in this application?

A Sir?

Q Your name, please.

A Bedingfield, J. E. Bedingfield.

Q And what do you seek in this application, Mr. Bedingfield?

A Well, the proposal --

Q Yes, sir.

A -- would be to open up an abandoned well in the center of the NW of the SE of Section 32, Township 17 South, Range 28 East; open that up and try to produce it.

Q And that well is located closer than 660 feet to another producing well, is that right?

A Yes, sir.

Q Now, the producing well that you are crowding, is that also yours?

A Yes, sir.

Q You are crowding No. 1 also?

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A No, we are not crowding anyone else; same ownership.

Q Do you have anything further you would like to offer to the Examiner to explain what you desire here?

A Well, nothing more than the fact that this old well was drilled in there, and our understanding is that we had some showing in this well; the fact that we got a bad cement job, perhaps, in our 11,320 and didn't get a proper frac job. We would like to open up this old hole and see if we can increase the production on the lease, please.

Q Do you think that if you open up this old hole there is a possibility that you will get more oil ultimately?

A I think so, yes, sir.

MR. PAYNE: I have no further questions.

#### CROSS EXAMINATION

BY MR. NUTTER:

Q Mr. Bedingfield, how many wells are presently completed on this same 40-acre tract?

A Just the one.

Q And what is the location of that well in that 40?

A The location is 1650 feet from the East and 1650 feet from the South line of the section.

Q Do you have a plat that shows the locations?

A I've just got a little plat. I didn't bring anything with me. I just drew it from memory.

Q Do you want to offer that as Exhibit No. 1 in this case?

A Well, I believe so.

MR. NUTTER: We will take this Exhibit as applicant's Exhibit 1 in Case 1644.

(Thereupon, Applicant's Exhibit No. 1 was marked for identification and offered in evidence.)

Q (By Mr. Nutter) Mr. Bedingford, you understand that if you obtain production in this well, that the total allowable for the 40-acre unit will apply to both wells?

A Yes, sir.

MR. NUTTER: Anything further in Case 1644?

Q (By Mr. Nutter) What is the presently existing well capable of producing?

A About five barrels per day, flowing about five barrels per day.

MR. NUTTER: Is there anything further in Case 1644? If not, the witness may be excused, and we will take the case under advisement.

(Witness excused)

