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THE MERCHANT LIVESTOCK COMPANY

SAN SIMON RANCH — LEA COUNTY

STOCK RAISERS

CARLSBAD, NEW MEXICO

September 12, 1968

Oil Conservation Commission of New Mexico
P. O. Box 2088
Santa Fe, New Mexico

Attention: Mr. A. L. Porter, Jr., Secretary-Director

Gentlemen:

This letter refers to the application of Wilson Oil Company for an exception to the no-pit Order No. R-3221 of the Oil Conservation Commission. In this application we understand that Wilson Oil Company seeks authority to continue to dispose of produced water in its seven unlined surface pits located in Sections 13, 23 and 24, Township 21 South, Range 34 East, and Sections 7 and 8, Township 21 South, Range 35 East, Lea County, New Mexico. We understand that this case has been docketed as No. 3859 and set for hearing on September 18, 1968, before the Oil Conservation Commission.

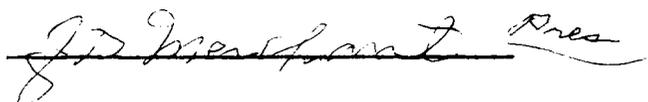
We are the owners of the San Simon Ranch, comprising approximately ~~260~~¹⁸⁰ sections of land in Lea County, New Mexico. The above mentioned seven unlined surface pits are all located within the boundaries of our ranch.

We know that Wilson Oil Company has been disposing of its produced water in these pits for the past 15 or 20 years. We do not believe that the disposal of water produced by Wilson Oil Company, in conjunction with the production of oil from its wells in the Wilson-Yates Seven Rivers Pool, Lea County, New Mexico, constitutes a hazard to the fresh water wells in the area and all located on our ranch. Accordingly, you are advised that we have no objection to the proposed application of Wilson Oil Company for permission to continue to dispose of its produced water in the above mentioned seven unlined pits.

Respectfully submitted,

THE MERCHANT LIVESTOCK COMPANY

By

 *J. D. Merchant* Pres

GOVERNOR
DAVID F. CARGO
CHAIRMAN

State of New Mexico
Oil Conservation Commission



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SECRETARY - DIRECTOR

P. O. BOX 2088
SANTA FE

October 4, 1968

Mr. A. J. Losee
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Re: Case No. 3859
Order No. R-3517
Applicant:
Wilson Oil Company

Dear Sir:

Enclosed herewith are two copies of the above-referenced Commission order recently entered in the subject case.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "A. L. Porter, Jr.".

A. L. PORTER, Jr.
Secretary-Director

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Carbon copy of order also sent to:

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Artesia OCC _____

Aztec OCC _____

Other Mr. Finis Heidel, Mr. J. D. Merchant