BEFORE THE OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF MOBIL OIL CORPORATION FOR AUTHORITY TO INSTITUTE A WATERFLOOD PROJECT IN THE LANGLIE-MATTIX POOL, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

Case No. 4202

APPLICATION

Applicant, Mobil Oil Corporation, whose address is Post Office Box 633, Midland, Texas 79701, hereby requests the Commission to authorize the institution of a waterflood project by the injection of water into the Queen Sand in the Langlie-Mattix Pool, Lea County, New Mexico, and in support of its request states:

1. Injection will be into the Queen Sand through 17 wells located in Sections 10, 11, 14, 15, 22 and 23, Township 23 South, Range 37 East, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico.

2. Four of the seventeen (17) wells will be located at unorthodox locations.

Applicant further seeks an administrative procedure whereby said project could be expanded to include additional lands and injection wells in the area of the said project as may be necessary in order to complete an efficient injection pattern; that said administrative procedure should provide for administrative approval for conversion to water injection in exception to the well response requirements of Rule 701 E-5 of the Commission Rules and Regulations.

WHEREFORE, applicant requests that this matter be set for hearing as provided by law and that following hearing the Commission issue its order granting authority to institute said waterflood project.

Respectfully submitted,

MOBIL OIL CORPORATION

By:

Ira B. Stitt
Division Operations Engineer

Midland Division

Mobil Oil Corporation

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Date 8-15-69

BEFORE THE OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF MOBIL OIL CORPORATION FOR APPROVAL OF THE LANGLIE-MATTIX QUEEN UNIT AGREEMENT IN THE LANGLIE-MATTIX POOL, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

Case No. 4201

APPLICATION

Applicant, Mobil Oil Corporation, whose address is Post Office Box 633, Midland, Texas 79701, hereby requests Commission approval of the Langlie-Mattix Queen Unit Agreement in the Langlie-Mattix Pool, Lea County, New Mexico, and in support of its request states:

The proposed Langlie-Mattix Queen Unit is comprised of 1120 acres, more or less, of Federal and Fee lands described as follows:

Lea County, New Mexico

Township 25 South, Range 37 East, NMPM

Section 10: S/2 S/2

Section 11: W/2 SW/4

Section 14: W/2 W/2

Section 15: E/2 & E/2 NW/4

Section 22: NE/4

Section 23: W/2 NW/4

WHEREFORE, applicant requests that this matter be set for hearing as provided by law and that following hearing the Commission issue its order approving said Unit Agreement.

Respectfully submitted,

MOBIL OIL CORPORATION

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Ira B. Stitt
Division Operations Engineer
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P.O. BOX 633 MIDLAND, TEXAS 79701

Augus 7, 1969

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. New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission P. O. Box 2088
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87501

Att: Mr. A. L. Porter

APPLICATIONS OF MOBIL OIL CORPORATION FOR A <u>UNIT AGREEMENT</u> AND WATERFLOOD PROJECT - LANGLIE-MATTIX QUEEN UNIT, LANGLIE-MATTIX POOL, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

Dear Mr. Porter:

Enclosed herewith please find above-referenced applications which we would appreciate your filing and docketing for the August 27, 1969 Examiner's Hearing.

This matter was discussed by Messrs. George Hatch and C. R. Kreuz by telephone on August 7, 1969.

Very truly yours,

Ira B. Stitt

Division Operations Engineer

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Mr. A. L. Porter, Jr. Secretary-Director New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission P. O. Box 2088 Santa Fe, New Mexico 87501

Case No. / 4202 - Application of Mobil Oil Corporation

Dear Pete:

Enclosed is application of Mobil for hearing on the drilling of an injection well within the approved waterflood unit area. We are asking that this case be reopened under the retained jurisdiction of the Commission for the purpose of considering the granting of permission to drill the well. I assume that the filing of the application will be in time to be placed on the docket for the January 7, 1970, hearing.

Very truly yours,

JES: jv

Enclosures (3)

cc: Mr. Ira B. Stitt, w/encl. Mobil Oil Corporation

Date 12-24-69

BEFORE THE OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO

IN THE MATTER OF THL APPLICATION OF MOBIL OIL CORPORATION FOR A WATERFLOOD PROJECT AND UNORTHODOX INJECTION WELL LOCATIONS, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

Case No. 4202

APPLICATION

Mobil Oil Corporation nereby requests that this matter be reopened for the purpose of considering the drilling of an injection well at a location 660 feet from the north line and 1220 feet from the west line (proposed Unit Injection Well No. 14) of Section 14, Township 25 South, Range 37 East, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico, and in support of said application states:

1. This matter was heard on August 27, 1969, before Examiner Elvis A. Utz, and Commission Order No. R-3823 was issued on September 4, 1969. The Order authorized Mobil to institute a waterflood project in the Langlie-Mattix-Queen Unit Area in the Langlie-Mattix Pool by injection of water into the Queen sand formation at certain designated orthodox and unorthodox locations as specified in that Order. Order denied applicant's request to drill an injection well at the location hereinabove specified, which denial was based upon a finding to the effect that the injection of water at that location may cause waste and may violate the correlative rights of the offset operator to the east of the proposed location. The Order provided for retention of jurisdiction of the cause for the entry of such further Orders as the Commission may deem necessary. This application seeks to invoke the retained jurisdiction of the Commission and as grounds therefor states:

- A. The offset operator to the east of the proposed injection well location is Atlantic Richfield Company (Arco), operator of the Stuart "A" Well No. 1 in the NE/4 of the NW/4 of Section 14. At the hearing in Case No. 4204 held on August 27,1969, testimony was given to the effect that negotiations were in progress between Mobil and Arco which might result either in the acquisition of the Stuart "A" No. 1 Well by Mobil, or the inclusion of the acreage dedicated to the well in the unit area and with Arco to participate in production on an assigned participation factor basis. Negotiations have not been successful.
- The injection of water at a location in the vicinity of the proposed Unit Well No. 14 is essential to the success of the waterflood project. Failure to inject water in this area will result in the loss of otherwise recoverable oil approximating 200,000 barrels. Failure to permit recovery of this oil results in substantial impairment of the correlative rights of the royalty and working interest owners within the unit area. Unless an injection well is present in the approximate location of Unit Well No. 14 to provide a barrier, the injection of water in presently authorized injection wells in the unit area will result in movement of oil into the gas cap area of the reservoir where it will be lost and incapable of recovery by anyone by any method. Injection of water is presently in progress pursuant to the Commission's Order, and delay in injection at a location in the vicinity of Unit Well No. 14 will result in movement of oil with the result described above within the unit area itself.
- C. Mobil is prepared to show that the drilling of a well for injection purposes at the Unit Well No. 14 location will not impair the correlative rights of Arco and that Arco is now and will be afforded an opportunity to recover such

waterflood oil as may underlie its lease boundaries. Mobil is further prepared to show that adequate protection of the rights of Arco has been offered through the alternatives of joining in unit participation or the sale of the Arco well at a figure commensurate with its value, including its contribution to total recovery from the unit area. The Arco well has produced no oil and no gas since 1963, and has produced no oil since 1959, during which year total oil production was 116 barrels and gas production was 37,720 mcf. Gas production for 1963, the last year of any reported production, was a total of 1,235 mcf, with no oil. The well was completed in 1938.

Wherefore, Mobil requests that this case be reopened, set for nearing and that it be authorized to drill an injection well at the location proposed for Unit Well No. 14, and for this purpose invokes the retained jurisdiction of the Commission.

Respectfully submitted,
MOBIL OIL CORPORATION

BY: MODRALL, SEYMOUR, SPERLING, ROEHL & HARRIS

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Mobil Oil Corporation

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November 21, 1969

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Att: Mr. A. L. Porter

APPLICATION OF MOBIL OIL CORPORATION FOR A WATERFLOOD PROJECT EXPANSION

LANGLIE-MATTIX QUEEN UNIT

LANGLIE-MATTIX POOL LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

Dear Mr. Porter:

Enclosed herewith please find above-referenced application which we would appreciate your filing and docketing for the December 17, 1969 Examiner's Hearing.

By copy of this letter and attachments we are informing Atlantic Richfield Company of this application.

Very truly yours,

Ira B. Stitt

Date 12-24-69 Division Operations Engineer

CRKreuz/bje Enclosure

cc: Atlantic Richfield Company P. O. Box 1610

Midland, Texas 79701

BEFORE THE OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION
OF MOBIL OIL CORPORATION FOR
AUTHORITY TO EXPAND THE WATERFLOOD
PROJECT IN ITS LANGLIE-MATTIX QUEEN
UNIT IN THE LANGLIE-MATTIX POOL,
LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO BY THE
DRILLING OF AND INJECTION INTO ITS
LANGLIE-MATTIX QUEEN UNIT WELL NO. 14

Case	No.			

APPLICATION

Applicant, Mobil Oil Corporation, whose address is Post Office Box 633, Midland, Texas 79701, hereby requests the Commission to authorize the expansion of the waterflood project on its Langlie-Mattix Queen Unit by the drilling of its Langlie-Mattix Queen Unit Well No. 14 and by injecting water into the Queen Sand through said Well No. 14 and in support of its request states:

- The proposed location of Well No. 14 is 660' FNL and 1220' FWL of Section 14 (Unit D), T-25-S, R-37-E, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico.
- 2. Attached hereto and made a part hereof is:
 - A. A plat showing all wells within a two mile radius of Well No. 14
 - B. A plat of the Langlie-Mattix Queen Unit
 - C. A diagrammatic sketch of Well No. 14
- Authority to institute a waterflood project in the Langlie-Mattix Queen Unit was granted by Commission Order No. R-3823 issued September 4, 1969.
- 4. The granting of this Application will result in the prevention of waste and will protect correlative rights in the project area.

WHEREFORE, applicant requests that this matter be set for hearing as provided by law and that following hearing the Commission issue its order approving said expansion.

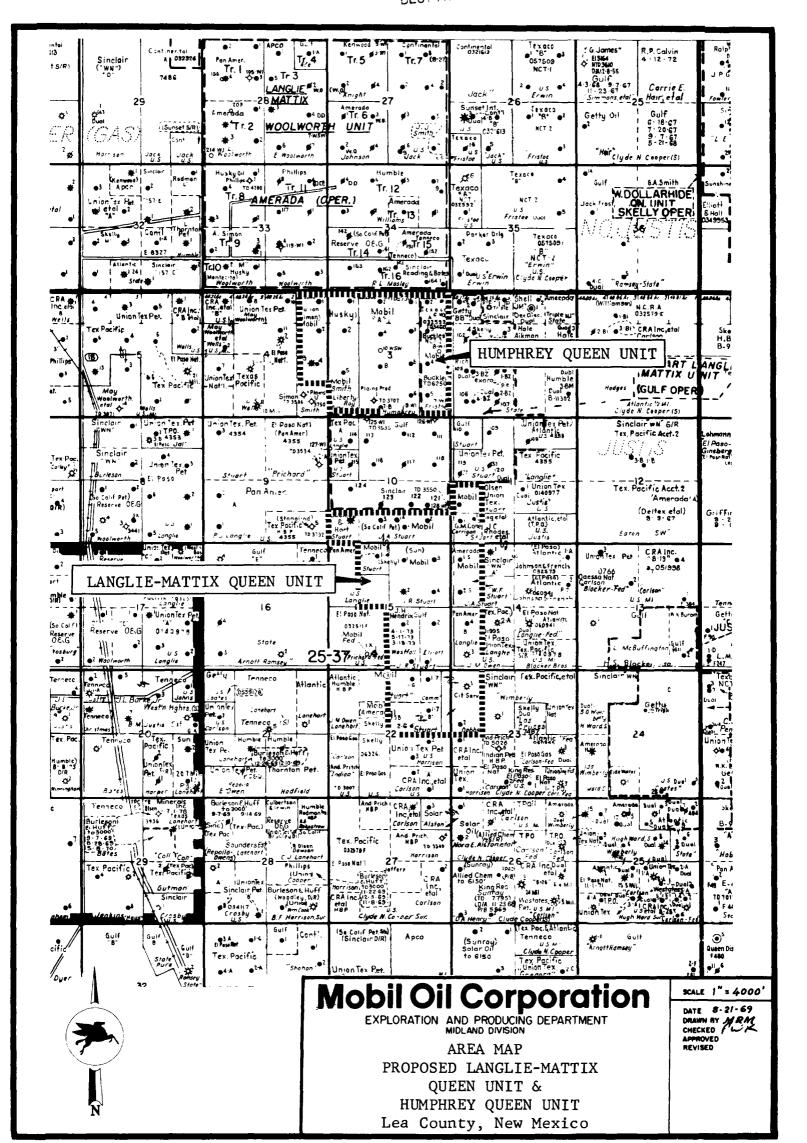
Respectfully submitted,

MOBIL OIL CORPORATION

By:

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