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File: PEH-456-986.510.1

Case 17340

Subject: Exception to Statewide "No Pit" Order
Pan American's Smernoff Federal and
LaRue Federal Leases, Sulimar-Queen
Field, Chaves County, New Mexico

New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission (3)
Post Office Box 871
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87501

Gentlemen:

Pan American Petroleum Corporation respectfully requests that a hearing be docketed to consider our application for an exception to Rule R-3221, which prohibits disposal of oilfield brines on the ground surface. We are requesting this exception for our LaRue Federal Well No. 1 and Smernoff Federal Well No. 1 in the Sulimar Queen Field, Chaves County, New Mexico.

The LaRue Federal Well No. 1 is currently being completed in the Queen, and based on current testing, we estimate this well will produce something in the neighborhood of 80 BWPD. The Smernoff Federal Well No. 1 is currently a Queen producer and produces water free. We are, however, requesting an exception for this well in the event water production does occur.

These wells and the pits which would serve them are located as follows:

LaRue Federal Well No. 1 - Unit D, Section 25 T15S R29E
Smernoff Federal No. 1 - Unit B, Section 24 T15S R29E

By your order No. R-3784, Jack L. McClellan was granted approval to dispose of disposed water from the Queen on the surface into unlined pits located in Sections 13 and 24 of T15S R29E, Sulimar Queen Pool, Chaves County, New Mexico.

Yours very truly,

D.L. Ray

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DOCKET MARKED

Date 10-9-69

BEFORE THE OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

STATE OF NEW MEXICO

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF)
PAN AMERICAN PETROLEUM CORPORATION)
FOR AN EXCEPTION TO ORDER NO. R-3221,) No. 4240
AS AMENDED, CHAVES COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.)

ENTRY OF APPEARANCE

The undersigned, Atwood, Malone, Mann & Cooter of Roswell,
New Mexico, hereby enters its appearance in this case as New Mexico
counsel for Pan American Petroleum Corporation.

Dated this 20th day of October, 1969.

ATWOOD, MALONE, MANN & COOTER

By 

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