

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:

CASE NO. 5406  
Order No. R-4986

IN THE MATTER OF THE HEARING CALLED BY THE  
OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION ON ITS OWN MOTION  
TO PERMIT OIL EXPLORATION, INC., GENERAL CASUALTY  
COMPANY OF AMERICA AND ALL OTHER INTERESTED PARTIES  
TO APPEAR AND SHOW CAUSE WHY THE IRWIN WELL NO. 1,  
LOCATED IN UNIT D OF SECTION 29, TOWNSHIP 21 NORTH,  
RANGE 36 EAST, UNION COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, AND THE  
IRWIN "A" WELL LOCATED IN UNIT D OF SECTION 29,  
TOWNSHIP 21 NORTH, RANGE 36 EAST, UNION COUNTY,  
NEW MEXICO, SHOULD NOT BE PLUGGED AND ABANDONED  
IN ACCORDANCE WITH A COMMISSION-APPROVED PLUGGING  
PROGRAM.

ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

BY THE COMMISSION:

This cause came on for hearing at 9 a.m. on February 5,  
1975, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner Richard L.  
Stamets.

NOW, on this 25th day of March, 1975, the Commission,  
a quorum being present, having considered the testimony, the  
record, and the recommendations of the Examiner, and being  
fully advised in the premises,

FINDS:

- (1) That due public notice having been given as required  
by law, the Commission has jurisdiction of this cause and the  
subject matter thereof.
- (2) That Oil Exploration, Inc., is the owner and operator  
of the Irwin Well No. 1 and Irwin "A" Well, both located in  
Unit D of Section 29, Township 21 North, Range 36 East, NMPM,  
Union County, New Mexico.
- (3) That both of said wells were drilled and abandoned  
prior to 1960.
- (4) That the Commission records of said wells do not  
demonstrate that they were plugged and abandoned in such a  
manner as to confine any oil, gas, or water in said wells  
in the strata in which they were originally found.