

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.