

STATE OF NEW MEXICO
ENERGY AND MINERALS DEPARTMENT
OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

CASE NO. 8491
Order No. R-7849

IN THE MATTER OF THE HEARING CALLED BY THE OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION ON ITS OWN MOTION TO PERMIT BASIN COMPANY AND ALL OTHER INTERESTED PARTIES TO APPEAR AND SHOW CAUSE WHY THE TED WHITE WELL NO. 78 LOCATED 1850 FEET FROM THE NORTH LINE AND 790 FEET FROM THE EAST LINE (UNIT H) OF SECTION 18, TOWNSHIP 29 NORTH, RANGE 13 WEST, SAN JUAN COUNTY, SHOULD NOT BE PLUGGED AND ABANDONED IN ACCORDANCE WITH A DIVISION-APPROVED PLUGGING PROGRAM.

ORDER OF THE DIVISION

BY THE DIVISION:

This cause came on for hearing at 8 a.m. on February 27, 1985, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner Michael E. Stogner.

NOW, on this 12th day of March, 1985, the Division Director, having considered the testimony, the record, and the recommendations of the Examiner, and being fully advised in the premises,

FINDS THAT:

(1) Due public notice having been given as required by law, the Division has jurisdiction of this cause and the subject matter thereof.

(2) Basin Company was the last known owner and operator of the Ted White Well No. 78, located 1850 feet from the North line and 790 feet from the East line (Unit H) of Section 18, Township 29 North, Range 13 West, NMPM, Farmington City Limits, San Juan County, New Mexico.

(3) At this time the subject well is not covered by a plugging bond.

(4) The current condition of said well could be such that a hazardous situation exists, waste may occur, correlative rights may be violated, and/or fresh water may be contaminated if action is not taken to properly plug and abandon the well.

(5) Basin Company should be ordered to plug and abandon said Ted White Well No. 78 in accordance with a program approved by the Aztec District Office of the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division on or before April 15, 1985.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:

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(1) Basin Company is hereby ordered to plug and abandon the Ted White Well No. 78, located 1850 feet from the North line and 790 feet from the East line (Unit H) of Section 18, Township 29 North, Range 13 West, NMPM, Farmington City Limits, San Juan County, New Mexico, on or before April 15, 1985.

(2) Basin Company, prior to plugging and abandoning the above-described well, shall obtain from the Aztec office of the Division, a Division-approved program for said plugging and abandoning, and shall notify said Aztec office of the date and hour said work is to be commenced whereupon the Division may, at its option, witness such work.

(3) Jurisdiction of this cause is retained for the entry of such further orders as the Division may deem necessary.

DONE at Santa Fe, New Mexico, on the day and year hereinabove designated.

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R. L. STAMETS,
Director

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