

LION OIL COMPANY  
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A DIVISION OF MONSANTO CHEMICAL COMPANY  
EL DORADO, ARKANSAS

March 24, 1958

West Texas District  
Box 492  
Snyder, Texas

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New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission  
Santa Fe, New Mexico

Attention: Mr. A. L. Porter

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Dear Sir:

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Monsanto Chemical Company is making application to the New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission to drill their NWP No. 1, a wildcat well, located 2075 feet from the south line, 1850 feet from the west line of Section 23, T-30-N, R-12-W, NMPM, San Juan County, New Mexico. This is a proposed Dakota Sand test, and, if commercial production is obtained, it will probably be gas. Because of the Animus River, it is impractical to locate the well to conform with the standard gas well spacing requirements. The river runs northeast to southwest through the central portion of the NE/4 of the SW/4 of Section 23 approximately 100' south of the location described above, as shown on the attached plat.

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Monsanto is the operator and only owner in the dedicated acreage and also in all additional acreage in Section 23.

The necessity for the unorthodox location is based on topographical conditions, and the ownership of all oil and gas leases within a radius of 660' of the proposed location is common with the ownership of the oil and gas leases under the proposed location; therefore, Monsanto requests that the Oil Conservation Commission grant an exception to the standard gas well spacing requirements.

We are this date submitting the required copies of forms C-101 and C-128 to the Oil Conservation Commission office in Aztec, New Mexico.

Yours very truly,

*E. H. Muhlbach*

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District Superintendent

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cc: New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission  
Aztec, New Mexico

