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Application, Transcript,
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# OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION STATE OF NEW MEXICO

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Transcript of Hearing CASE NO. 337

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January 22, 1952

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Case 337: In the matter of the application of R. S. Magruder to unitize for prevation and production and operation purposes, lots 1 and 2, Section 33, with the NE/4 NW/4 and SE/4 NW/4 of the same section in Township 24 South, Range 38 East, NNPM, Lea County, New Mexico.

#### R. S. MAGRUDER,

after first having been duly sworm, testified as follows:

MR. MAGRUINER: I'm am individual operator and  $\bar{I}$  have two forty (40) acre tracts and I would ---

MR. SPURRIER: Will you speak up a little louder, please?

MR. MAGRUDER: These two lets are inside the forty(40) acre

tracts which are leased to Gulf on the west. In order for them to

continue with the drilling of the well and to increase the allew
able on these two forty acre tracts.

MR. GRAHAM: Have you made application to the State Land Office?

MR. MAGRUTER: No, not the State Land Office. These two lots are seven and one-half acres each but there is State Land a little to the west and north.

MR. GRAHAM: My question was - had you made application to the

State Land Office - - -

MR. MAGRUMER: No. The State Land belongs to Gulf and I didn't think that was necessary and to increase the allowable, I thought we came to the Commission.

NR. SPURRIER: Mr. Campbell, are you representing the Gulf Oil Company?

MR. CAMPBELL: Yes, sir.

MR. SPURRIER: In this case?

MR. CAMPBELL: Yes, sir.

MR. SPURRIER: You have some comment?

MR. CAMPBELL: If I understood - - I couldn't hear Mr. Magrader very well - I understood that he is asking for an increase in the acreage allowable for the additional tracts to be unitised. I have no statement them.

MR. SPURRIER: Mr. Morrell, do you have any comment in this case?

MR. MORREIL: If the Commission please, I think it would be well to have the record show that the unitization of the narrow lets adjoin the Texas State Line. These lets for which Mr. Magrader has made application under case 337 are only a few of many. In Mr. Magrader's case, there are already producing wells in Texas Six hundred and sixty (660) feet from New Mexico's State Line. Drainage from the State of New Mexico is occurring. Mr. Magrader is the leases from the Federal Government of two leases or two lets,

Lots 1 and 2, Section 33, Township 24 South, Range 38 East. We concur in his application to save steel, that these lets be communitized with the adjoining 40 acre tract from the State Line to the west. Those two lots having the specific acreage of - Lot 1, has 7.21 acres - Lot 2 has 7.24 acres according to surveys in the General Land Office, now the Bureau of Land Nanagement. To be fair and equitable, to communitize the tracts comprising 47.21 acres and 47.24 acres should have an allowable adjustable to the actual acreage, possibly the nearest acre as compared to the allowable for a normal forty.

MR. GRAMAM: Thank you, Mr. Morrell.

MR. SPURRIER: Does anyone else - - -

MR. GRANAM: Mr. Magrader, have you contacted the Gulf people on the matter?

MR. MAGRUMER: Yes. They say that they will be willing to unitize the two forty (40) acre tracts that adjoin to the west. They have indicated that they would be agreeable.

MR. GRAHAM: Illustrate what would happen if that seven acre tract of yours was consolidated with the forty (40) acre tract of Gulf's.

MR. NAGRUDER: Well, in that case they would drilltheir forty

(40) acre tract ---

MR. GRAHAM: To secure what allowable?

MR. MACMUTER: To secure an allewable based on to say, forty

seven (47) acres over forty (40).

NR. GRAHAM: And then where would you come out?

MR. MAGRUTAR: Well, I would participate in drilling that well or would make a deal with them whereby they would take over the lease. I don't knew what that would be.

MR. GRAHAM: They are hopeful of getting that seven acre lease?

MR. MAGRUDER: Yes.

MR. SPURRIER: Does anyone else have any questions of Mr.

Magruder? If there are no further questions of this witness, the
witness will be excused. The case will be taken under advisement.

STATE OF NEW MEXICO )
COUNTY OF LOS ALAMOS)

I hereby sertify that the foregoing and attached transcript of hearing in Case 337 before the Oil Conservation Commission on January 22, 1952, at Santa Fe is a true record of the same to the best of my knowledge, skill and ability.

DATED at Los Alamos, this 24th day of January, 1952.

Andrey M. Henrickson

My commission expires September 20, 1955.

#### CONSUMETINATION AGREEMANT

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THIS AGRESS AT rade and entered into this lith day of April, 1952, by and between the undersigned Gulf Oil Corporation, James H. Snowden and vife, Frances Gardner Snowden, Fred J.

Brotherton and wife, Harion S. Brotherton, Leelie B. Gardner and wife, Antoinette W. Gardner, Elmer L. Lockwood and wife, Florence Lockwood, H. E. Irvin and wife, Helen Irvin, George A. Neihaus, Jr. and wife, Hargaret Helhaus, and Que Layton and wife, Delight Layton, hereinafter referred to as "Lessees", The Fort Worth Hational Bank, Executor and Trustee Ender the Will of R. S. Magruder, Deseased, and Helen Magruder, widow of H. S. Magruder, hereinafter referred to as "Override Owners", and L. E. Hults and wife, Mabel Hults, hereinafter referred to as "Oil Faynant Owners".

WITHERSETH: THAT.

THEREAS, Gulf Oil derporation is the present owner of that certain oil and gas leave executed by Commissioner of Public Lands of the State of New Mexico as Lessor under date of February 29, 1933, and bearing Lease No. 3-1732 embracing among other lands the following described lands in Lea County, New Mexico Lands and the following described lands in Lea County, New Mexico Lands and County Lands and Cou

RENNE of Section 33, Township 24 South, Range 38 East, containing 40 acres more or less; and

BREERAS, by assignments, James H. Snowden, Fred J. Brotherton, Leslie B. Gardner, Elmer L. Lookwood, W. E. Irvin, George A. Meihaus, Jr. and Gus Layton are the present owners and holders of United States Gil and Gas Lesse LC-069752 executed in favor of R. S. Magruder as Lessee under date of June 1, 1951, by the United States of America as Lessor, embracing among other lands the following described lands in Les County, New Mexico:

Not 1, Section 33, Township 24 South, Nange 38 East, containing 7.21 acres more or less; and

Executor and Trustee Under the Will of R. S. Kapruder, are the present owners and holders of an evertiding royalty under the above described pertion of Pederal Dil and Gas Lease 10-069752 of five (5%) percent of the value, based upon the field market price at the well, of oil and/or gas produced, gaved and marketed from each lease.

whereas, L. E. Halts is the present owner and holder of an oil payment under the described portion of Federal Oil and Gas Lease LO-069752 of 1/32 of 7/8 of the first oil, gas or easinghead gas produced from the above described property, until he shall have received precede therefrom equal to \$1,000.00 for each mineral acre, and

WREREAS, said overriding repaity interest and said oil payment constitute all overriding repaity interest or oil payments existing on the hereinabove described leases and acreage; and

WHEREAS, the parties hereto desire to communitize their respective interests in the above described oil and gas leases in order to form one tract or unit described as follows:

NEAHT and lot 1 of Section 33, Township 24 South, Range 38 East, containing 47.21 Acres more or less; and

Genmission of New Mexico by its Order No. R-144, a copy of which is attached hereto and marked Exhibit "A", communitized the two above described tracts into one tract and provided for an allowable of 47/40 of the top unit allowable to eaid tract now located by order of the Oil Conservation Commission of New Mexico within the West Dellarbide Pool, Lea County, New Mexico; and

whereas, in order to be consistent with the rules and regulations covering well spacing and production allowables, Lessens desire to operate the communitized unit for the purpose and intention of developing and producing oil, gas and casinghead gas in accordance with the terms and provisions of this agreement;

HOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the premises and mutual advantages offered by this agreement, it is mutually covenanted and agreed by and between the parties herete as follows:

1. The land subject to this agreement shall be developed and operated for oil, gas and casinghed gas producible from all

formations as an entirety, with the understanding that such oil; gas or easinghead gas produced from the communitized tract shall be allocated between the leaseholds comprising said tract in the propertion that the agreeme interest of each leasthold bears to the entire screage interest consisted hereto. Each party hereto reserves the right to take its allocated proportion of the communitized production in hind. The royalties and overriding regulties payable on the production so allocated to the lands comprising the leaseholds and the restals provided for in said leages shall be determined and paid on the basis respectively prescribed in the individual leases. There shall be no obligation on the lebeston to essabt any producting well or wells on separate compensus tracts into which said communitized tract is now or may hereafter be divided, nor shall said Leasees be required to separately measure oil, gas or easinghead gas by reason of the diverse ownership of said substances wind under said treet, but lesses shall not be released from their obligation to protect said communities tracts from drainings of oil, gas and easinghed gas from any well or wells which may be drilled offsetting said troot. Payment of rentale water the terms of the lauses hereinabove mentioned and described shall not be affected by this agreenext, except as provided for under the terms and provisions of said leases or as may herein be otherwise provided.

- 2. Except as herein medified and changed said oil and gas leases hereinabeve described shall remain in full force and effect as originally drawn.
- The commencement, completion, continued operation or production of a well or wells on the communities tract shall be construed and considered as the commencement, completion, continued operation or production from each and all of the lands within and comprising said communitied tract, and operations or production pursuant to this agreement shall to deemed to be operations or production under each lease committed heroto.

- this agreement shall be subject to all applicable Pederal and State laws or executive orders, rules and regulations which effect person of executive orders, rules and regulations which effect performance of any of the previsions of this agreement shall be rules and regulations which effect performance of any of the previsions of this agreement and no party hereto shall suffer a ferfeiture or be liable in damages for failure to comply with any of the previsions of this agreement if such compliance is prevented by, or if such failure results from, compliance with any such laws, orders, rules and regulations.
- 5. Oulf Oil Corporation shall be the Operator of said communitized tract and all matters of operation shall be governed by the Operator.
- hereof upon approval by the Director of the Geological Survey and by the Commissioner of Public Lands of the State of New Mexico and shall remain in ferce and effect for a period of 2 years after its effective date and so long thereafter as eil, gas or easinghead gas is produced from any part of said communitized tract in paying quantities, provided that prior to production in paying quantities from said communitized tract and upon fulfillment of all requirements with respect to any dry hole or abandoned well, this agreement way be terminated at any time by mutual agreement of the parties hereto.
- 7. Operator of said communitized tract hereby agrees to furnish the Commissioner of Public Lands of the State of New Moxico and the Secretary of the Interior or his duly authorized representatives with the leg and history of any well or wells; sonthly report of operations; statement of oil and gas runs and royalties, together with such other reports as are decaded necessary to compute monthly the revelty due the State of New Mexico and the

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United States, as specified in the applicable oil and gas operating regulations for any well within the communitized tract.

- shall have the right of supervision ever all operations upon redered lands within the communitized tract and the Commissioner of Public Lands of the State of New Mexico shall have the right of supervision over all operations upon state lands to the extent and degree as previded in the respective oil and gas leases.
- 9. Operator, in its operations herounder, shall not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of rase, event, color or national origin and an identical provision shall be incorporated in all subcontracts.
- envenants running with the land with respect to the communitied interests of the parties hereto and their successors in interest until this agreement terminates, and any grant, transfer, or conveyance of any such land or interest subject hereto, whether voluntary or not, shall be and hereby is conditioned upon the assumption of all obligations hereunder by the grantee, transferse or other successor in interest, and as to Federal land shall be subject to approval by the femissioner of Public Lands shall be subject to approval by the Gemissioner of Public Lands of the State of New Mexice.
- 11. It is specifically understood that the term foil, gas and easingheed gas! where used in this agreement is intended to and shall include all other hydrogarbon substances.
- 12. This agreement shall be binding upon the parties herete and shall extend to and be binding upon their hours, executors, administrators, successors and agains.
- 13. This agreement may be executed in one or more counterparts by the parties hereto and all nounterparts so executed shall be taken as a single agreement and shall have the

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same force and effect as if all parties had in fact executed but a single instrument.

IN MITHESS WHEREOF, the parties herete have executed this agreement effective as of the day and year first above written.

**ATTEST!** H. M. CRAIG

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personally appeared F. J. ADAMS /to me personally known, who, being by me duly evers did say that he is the vice President Oulf Oil Corporation and that the modifications to the foregot instrument is the corporate seal of said corporation and that said instrument was signed and sealed in behalf of said corporation tion by authority of the mand of Phrostates, and said 7. J. Abans saknowledged said instrument to be the free act and deed of said corporation.

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on this And of Andrew and FRANCES GARDNER SNOWDEN, personally appeared JAMES M. SNOWDEN and FRANCES GARDNER SNOWDEN, his wife, to me known to be the persons described in and who executed the foregoing instrument, and schooledged that they executed the same as their free age and deed.

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Notary Fiblus RUTH RAGON MAYO Notary Public, Tarrent County, Texas STATE OF TEXAS COUNTY OF TARRANT

personally known, who, affixed to the foregoing instrument is the corporate seal of said corporation and that said instrument was signed and sealed in become of said corporation by authority of its Board of Sirectors, half of said corporation by authority of its Board of Sirectors, and said 7. 8. Straiges adminished paid instrument to be the free act and deed of said corporation in its especity as message and freetoe Under the Vill of R. S. Magnette, homeway.

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on this 2/ day of May 1953, before me personally appeared FRER 5. RROTHERTON and HARION 8. PROTHERTON, his wife, to me known to be the persons described in and who executed the foregoing instrument, and achievledged that they executed the same as their free act and deed.

IN WITHESE WHERROF, I have hereunte set my hand and affixed my official seal, the day and year in this certificate first above written.

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My Commission expires: My COMM. EXPIRES MARCH 23, 1954

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on this Ath day of Many 1953, before me personally appeared LESLIE B. SARBURY and ANTOINETTE W. SARBURE, his wife, to me known to be the persons described in and who executed the foregoing instrument, and asknowledged that they executed the same as their free set and deed.

IN WITHERS THERBOY, I have hereunte set my hand and affined my official seal, the day and year in this certificate first above written.

My Commission expires:

June 1-1953

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On this of day of 1953, before me personally appeared ELMER L. 100x word and FLORENCE LOCKWOOD, his wife, to me known to be the persons described in and who executed the foregoing instrument, and acknowledged that they executed the same as their free act and deed.

IN WITHES WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my official seal, the day and year in this certificate first above written.

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on this day of M. 1953, before me personally appeared V. E. IRVIN and MELEN IRVIN, his wife, to me known to be the persons described in and who executed the foregoing instrument, and acknowledged that they executed the same as their free act and deed.

IN WITHERS WHEREOF, I have hereunto est my hand and affixed my efficial seal, the day and year in this certificate first above written.

My Commission expires:

/ Notary

STATE OF TEXAS

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on this day of May . 1953, before me personally appeared Games A. MEIHAUS, JR. and MARGARET HEIHAUS, his wife, to me known to be the persons described in and who executed the foregoing instrument, and acknowledged that they executed the same as their free act and deed.

IN WITHESS WHERKOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my official seal, the day and year in this certificate first above written.

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on this of day of me personally appeared GUS LAYTON and MALICHI LAYTON, his wife, to me known to be the persona described in and who executed the foregoing instrument, and acknowledged that they executed the same of their free act and deed.

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## APPROVAL - GERTIFICATION - DETERMINATION

Pursuant to the authority vested in the Secretary of the Interior under the act approved February 25, 1920, hi stat.

197, 36 U.S.C. sees. 181 et seq., as amended by the act of August 1946, 60 Stat. 950, and delegated to the Director of the Goological Survey, pursuant to Departmental Order No. 2365 of October 1967, 43 C.F.R. sec. 4.618, 12 C.F.R. 6784, I do hereby:

- A. Approve the attached communitiestion agreement covering the NEWHAR and Lot 1, Sec. 33, Two. 26 S., R. 38 E., Les County, New Mexico, in the lest pollarhide rool as to all oil, gas and cosinghed gas produced therefrom.
- potermine that the portion of the Federal leasehold committed to the attached agreement cannot be independently developed and operated in conformity with the accepted well-spacing pattern for the fest pollarhide Pool and that consumpation of the agreement will be in the public interest.
- rental, minimum royalty, and royalty requirements of the Pederal leass committed to said agreement are hereby established, altered, changed, or revoked to conform with the terms and conditions of the agreement.

It is understood that this amproval of the for moting instrument does not constitute approval of any assignment, over-riding rejulty or all payment not heretofore or her after a providing the Bursau of Land Management.

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#### EXHIBIT A

### BEFORE THE OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO

IN THE MATTER OF THE HEARING CALLED BY THE OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONSIDERING:

CASE NO. 337 ORDER NO. R-144 ď.

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THE APPLICATION OF R. S. MAGRUDER TO UNITIZE FOR PRORATION AND PROJUCTION AND OPERATION PURPOSES LOT 1 AND 2, SECTION 33, WITH THE NEXT NW/4 AND SEXT NW/4 OF THE SAME SECTION IN TOWNSHIP 24 SOUTH, RANGE 38 EAST, NMPM, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

#### ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

#### BY THE COMMISSION:

This matter came on for hearing at Santa Fe, New Mexico, at 10:00 a.m., January 22, 1952 before the 0il Conservation Commission of New Mexico, hereinafter referred to as the "Commission".

NOW, on this 11th day of April 1952, the Commission, a quorum being present, having considered the testimony adduced and the exhibits received at said hearing, and being otherwise fully advised in the pre-ises,

#### FINDE:

- (1) That due notice having been given as required by law, the Commission has jurisdiction of this cause and the subject matter thereof.
- (2) That the NE/4 of Section 33, Township 24 South, Range 38 East, NAPA, Lea County, New Mexico, is composed of Lots 1 and 2, Lot 1 containing 7.21 acres and Lot 2 containing 7.24 acres.
- (3) That the lots in question are near the defined limits of the West Dollarhide pool.
- (4) That wells drilled on the lots in question would be entitled to only approximately 7/40 of the allowable assigned to a full 40 acre unit.
- (5) That Gulf Gil Corporation holds by production State Oil and Gas Lease No. B-1732-1 covering, with other lands, the NE/4 NW/4 and the SE/4 NW/4, abutting said Lots 1 and 2, respectively, in said section; that by communitizing Lot 1 with the NE/4 NW/4 and Lot 2 with the SE/4 NW/4 two units approximating square quarter-quarter sections of 47.21 acres and 47.24 acres, respectively, could be had; that by such communitation waste could be prevented and correlative rights protected.

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- (7) That Lot 2 Section 33, Township 24 South, Range 38 East, NEPE, Lea County, New Mexico, because of its small size should be unitized for the purpose of production and proration of oil with the normal drilling unit to the west, being the SE/4 NW/4 Section 33, Township 24 South, Range 37 East, NMPM.

#### IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

- (1) That Lot 1 and the NE/4 NM/4 (comprising one unit of 47.21 acres) and Lot 2 and the SE/4 NW/4 (comprising one unit of 47.24 acres), Section 33, Township 24 South, Range 38 fast, be, and the same hereby are respectively communitized for development and production of oil and gas, provided, however;
- (a) That such communitization shall not become effective until and unless the applicant herein, or his successors in ownership, shall have filed in this office an agreement duly executed by himself and/or successors and the Gulf Oil Corporation, duly approved in writing by the Director of the U. S. Geological Survey and the Commissioner of Public Lands of the State of New Mexico.
- (b) That upon production being had upon either or both communitized tracts, the same shall be given allowable of 47/40 of the current top allowable assigned.

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

STATE OF NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION CONSTRESION

EDMIN L. MECHEA, Chairman GUY SHEPARD, Melber R. R. SPURRIER, Secretary

# R. S. MAGRUDER 601 SINGLAIR BLOB. :: PHONE FANNIN 1487 FORT WORTH 2, TEXAS

December 17th, 1951.

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Oil Conservation Commission, Santa Fe, New Mexico.,

Gentlemen: -

Att'n Mr. Jason Kellahin, Attorney
RE: Unitization of Lots 1 & 2, 245-38E (Sec 33)

Reference is made to Mr. Kellahin's letter of November 26, above subject:

I am hereby applying for a hearing in Jenuary, for the unitization of the above numbered Lots, 1 & 2, Sec 33, 24S, Range 38E, with the owner of the two 40 acre tracts of state lease immediately to the west, viz., NEINWI & SEINWI of the same section, which is owned by Gulf Oil Corporation.

Plat in triplicate is shown, and the addresses of the adjoining Companies for Cities Service Oil Company is Nartlesville, Okla., Gulf Oil Corporation, Ft. Worth, Texas., and Skelly Oil Company, Tulsa, 2. Okla.,

I hope that the enclosurers are sufficient and I should like to be advised, that if and when the hearing is held, whether it will be necessary for me to be present.

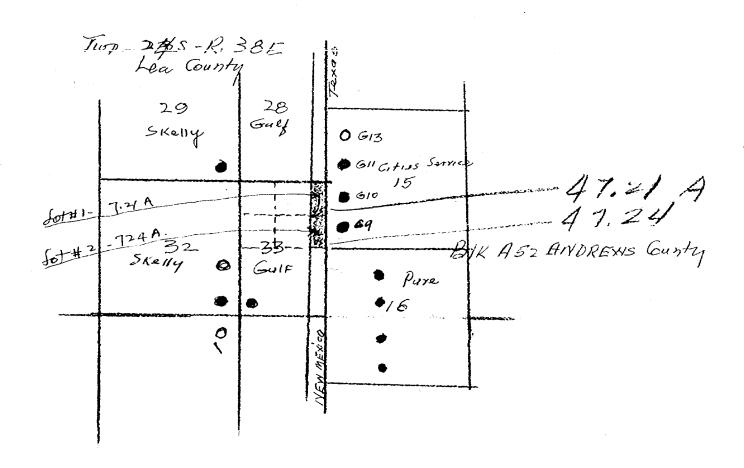
I believe I have already written the reason for this hearing for an increased allowable., etc., namely the scarcity of pipe, the prevention of drilling unnecessary wells, etc.,

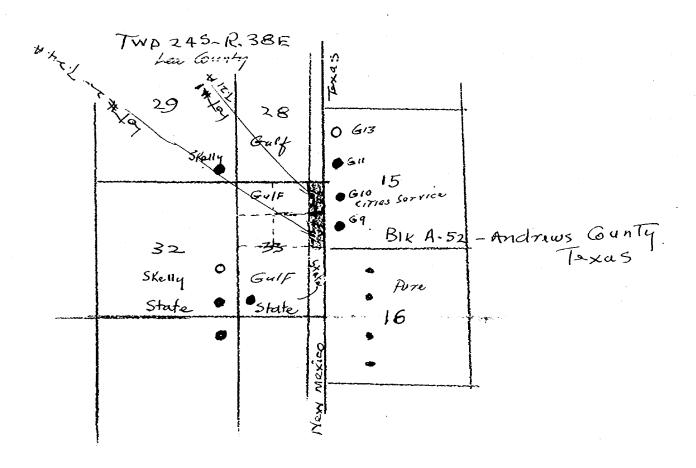
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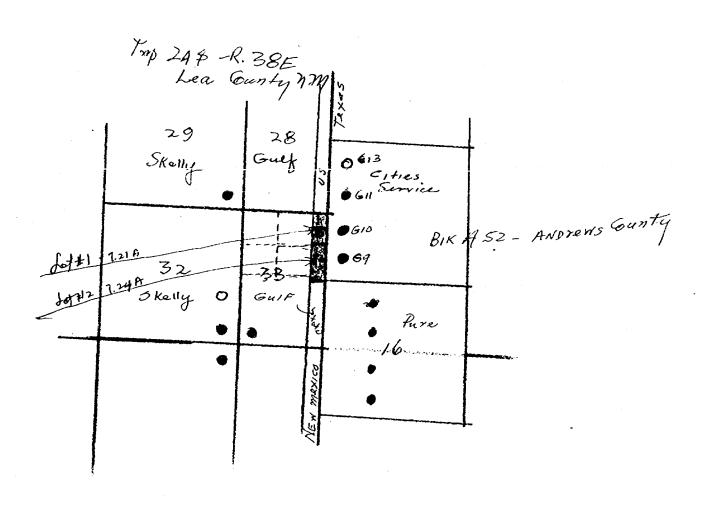
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(7) That Lot 2 section 33, Township 24 South, Range 38 East, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico, because of its small size should be unitized for the purpose of production and proration of oil with the normal drilling unit to the west, being the SE/4 NW/4 section 33, Township 24 South, Range 38 East, NMPM

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STATE OF NEW MEXICO
OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

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GUY SHEPARD, Member

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R. R. SPURRIER, Secretar

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## OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION P. O. BOX 871

SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

October 6, 1952

Mr. W. H. Slay, jr. 1202 Oil and Gas Building Ft. Worth, Texas

Dear Sirs

Reference is made to our telephone conversation of today concerning the allowable to be assigned the Gulf Oil Corp., No. 15, Leonard 'A' Well, Sect. 33, Tw. 24 S, R. 38 B, West Dollarhide - Devonian Pool, Lee County, N. M.

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Very truly yours,

W. B. Macey Chief Engineer

A. L. Porter, jr. 2045

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# OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION P. O. BOX 871 SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

October 6, 1952

Mr. W. H. Slay, jr.
1202 Oil and Gas Building
Ft. Worth, Texas

Dear Sir:

- Reference is made to our telephone conversation of today concerning the allowable to be assigned the Gulf Oil Corp., No. 15, Leonard 'A' Well, Sect. 33, Tw. 24 S, R. 38 E, West Dollarhide Devonian Pool, Lea County, N. H.
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W. B. Macey Chief Engineer

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cc: Mr. A. L. Porter, jr. Box 2045
Hobbs, N. M.

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IN THE MATTHE OF THE HEARTHG CALLED BY THE OIL CONSERVATION COLLESSION OF THE STATE OF NEW HEXICO FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONSIDERING:

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CASE NO. 337 ORDER NO. R-

THE APPLICATION OF R.S. MAGRUDER TO UNITIZE FOR PROPARTION AND PRODUCTION AND OPERATION PURPOSES, LOT 1 AND 2, SECTION 33, WITH THE NE/ANW/4 and SE/4 NW/4 of the SAME SECTION IN TOWNSHIP 24 SOUTH, RANGE 38 EAST, NMPM, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

#### ORDER OF THE CONSTSSION

#### BY THE COMMISSION

This matter came on for hearing at Santa Fe, N w Mexico, at 10:00 A.M., January 22, 1952before the Oil Conservation Commission of New Mexico, hereinafter referred to as the "Commission".

NOW, on this \_\_\_\_\_ day of March 1952, the Commission, a quorum being present, having considered the testimony adduced and the exhibits received at said hearing, and being otherwise fully advised in the premises,

- FINDS: (1) That due notice having been given as required by law, the Commission has jurisdiction of this cause and the subject matter thereof.
- (2) That the NE/4 of Section 33, Township 24 South, Range 38 East, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico is composed of Lots 1 and 2, Lot 1 containing 7.21 acres and Lot 2 containing 7.24 acres. (Lifett Land)
- (3) That the lots in question are near the defined limits of the West Dollarhide Pool.
- (4) That wells drilled on the lots in question would be entitled to only approximately 7/40 of the allowable assigned to a full 40 acre unit.

(6) That waste would result from drilling on 7.21 and 7.24 acre tracts, Inch bit Corporation Rosed State 0-2, 1732 - 1 (6) That Inch but after lands the New, and Set hart abouting sound continue, with after land section.

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IT IS THE FORE ORDERED

- (6) That Lot 1, Section 33, Township 24 South, Range 38 East, MAPM, Lea County, New Mexico, because of its small size, should be unitized, for the purposes of production and proration of oil, with the normal drilling unit to the west, being the NE/4NW/4 Section 33, Township 24 South, Range 38 East, NAPM, Remarks wants
- (7) That Lot 2. Section 33, Township 24 South, Range 38 East, M.PM, Lea County, New Mexico, because of its small size should be unitized, for the purpose of production and proration of oil, with the normal drilling unit to the west, being the SE/4 NV/4 Section 33, Township 24 South, Range 38 East, NNPM.

#### IT IS THEREORE ORDERED

(1) That the unitization of Lot 1, Section 33, Township New Mexico, with the NE/4 NN/4 Section 33, Township 24 South, Range 38 for production and proration purposes, be and the same hereby is approved.

(2) That the unitization of Lot 2, Section 33, Township 24 South, Range 38 Mast, MMPM, Lea County, New Mexico, with the SE/4 NW/4 Section 33, Township 24 South, Range 38 East, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico for that production and proration purposes, be and the same hereby is

Mr. Grahem's suggestion.

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#### R. S. MAGRUDER

601 BINCLAIR BLOB. .: PHONE FANNIN 1487
FORT WORTH 2. TEXAS

October 29, 1951.

Oil Conservation Commission, Santa Fe, New Mexico., US Oil & Gas Lease LC 069752 Lots 1 & 2, Twp 245 Range 38E 14.45 acres, Lea County, N.M..

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M. H. Sayster, District Engineer, U. S. G. S., Hobs, New Mexico, his
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understanding that such communutization would allow for the drilling of
two wells on the state acreage and protect the U S acreage from drainage
and also prevent the drilling of unneccessary wells.

I am sending to the Gulf Oil Corporation, Roswell, New Mexico, owner of the aforesaid NEANWA & SEANWA Sec 33, 245-38E copy of this letter and also copy to Mr. Soyster of the U.S.G.S. at Hobbs, New Mexico.,

Yours very truly,

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The above is a copy of letter addressed to Oil Conservation Commission, Hobbs, New Mexico, as I was under the impression that the office was at Hobbs, and am duplicating it herewith in case it has not been forwarded to  $SantaF_{\rm e}$ 

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OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION Hobbs-Office

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October 29, 1951.

Oil Conservation Commission, Hobbs, New Mexico.,

US 011 & Gas Lease LC 069752 Lots 1 & 2, Sec 33, 248-38E 14.45 acres, Lea County, N.M.,

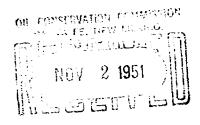
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Yours very truly,

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#### P. O. Box 1838 Hobbs, New Mexico

October 15, 1951

Mr. R. S. Magruder 601 Sinclair Building Fort Worth 2, Texas

Re: Las Cruces 069752

Dear Sir:

The records of this office show that you are the owner of the above described Federal lease embracing Lots 1 and 2, section 33, T. 24S, R. 38E, 14.45 acres in Lea County, New Mexico and that these lands are now subject to drainage of oil by dually completed oil wells No. G-9 and G-10 Cowden of Cities Service Oil Company located in the SW4 SW4 and NW4SW4, section 15, Block A-52, P.S.L. Survey, Andrews County, Texas. Well No. G-9 is reported to have been completed April 29, 1951 in the Devonian formation for an initial production of 810 barrels of oil per day from the interval 7890-7935' and on May 13, 1951 in the Clearfork formation for an initial production of 468 barrels of oil per day from the interval 6535-6690'. Well No. G-10 is reported to have been completed July 9, 1951 in the Clearfork formation for an initial production of 864 barrels of oil per day from the interval 6608-6754', and on July 10, 1951 in the Devonian formation for an initial production of 1104 barrels of oil per day from the interval 8000-8035'.

Please inform this office within 15 days of the receipt of this latter of your intentions as to compliance with the provisions of the above numbered oil and gas lease and with the Oil and Gas Operating Regulations regarding protection of the leasehold from drainage.

In view of the smallness of the tracts involved, drilling of wells thereon may not be permitted in the absence of an acceptable showing that the Federal interests could not be adequately protected by communitizing the lots with the two 40-acre tracts immediately to the west. In the interest of the conservation of steel during the present emergency, such action would prevent the drilling of unnecessary wells.

It is suggested that you make application to the New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission for a hearing to provide for an increased allowable based on the acreage of such communitized tract compared to a normal 40-acre tract. This increased allowable would be the interest that you as leasee of Las Cruces 069752 would have in the two wells needed to be drilled in the E NW4, sec. 33 to protect that land as well as the subject lease from drainage by wells on the Cities Service Oil Company, Cowden lease.

日本 15 1951 ) 11 1951 ) 11 1951 ) Communitization agreements in general should be limited to single drilling units, that is a 40-acre tract plus a small additional lot. However, if you prefer, this Department has no objection to receiving and submitting to Washington for consideration a single agreement including two such drilling units involving normal 40-acre tracts in the same legal quarter section plus the adjoining lots if both units are considered proven acreage and include land in the same Federal lease.

Very truly yours,

(Orig. Sgd.) M. H. Soyster

M. H. SOYSTER District Engineer

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cc. Roswell Office
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#### P. O. Box 997 Roswell, New Mexico

August 31, 1951

New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission Santa Fe, New Mexico

Texas Railroad Commission Austin, Texas

Gentlemen:

The United States of America owns the mineral rights to many lots as delineated by Public Lend Surveys along the eastern portion of the State of New Mexico adjoining the state line between New Mexico and Texas. These lots extend usually one-fourth  $(\frac{1}{4})$  mile north to south and vary in width from 58 feet to 1,759 feet east to west. The lots vary in size from as little as 2.12 acres to more than 55.00 acres. Federal oil and gas leases have been issued for most of these lots under the Mineral Leasing Act of February 25, 1920 (41 Stat. 437), as amended.

In the interest of conservation of oil and gas, and of limitation in use of steel during the present emergency, it is desirable that satisfactory arrangements be initiated to avoid drilling of unnecessary wells, and at the same time protect correlative rights and equities involved.

This subject was previously reviewed during an informal conference with members of the two State regulatory bodies in Midland, Texas, several years ago but no decisions were reached. As recent discoveries of oil and gas have been made in Texas at locations 660 feet or less from the state line, some of which locations offset Federal oil and gas leases, it is desirable that definite plans be formulated to cover drilling and proration matters affecting these Federal leases at the earliest practical date.

As a practical approach to this subject, it appears to this office that the Federal leases in New Mexico should be operated and developed consistent with the general practices of the industry within New Mexico, and so far as possible consistent with the rules and regulations of the New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission. To this end it would seem best that the smaller lots be communitized with the adjoining full 40-acre tracts to the west. Where the lots are of medium size, possibly from 20 to 30 acres, it may be desirable to communitize two of such lots for a drilling and proration unit that would not such lots for a drilling and proration unit that would not such lots for a drilling and proration unit that would not such lots for a drilling and proration unit that would not such lots for a drilling and proration unit that would not such lots for a drilling and proration unit that would not such lots for a drilling and proration unit that would not such lots for a drilling and proration unit that would not such lots for a drilling and proration unit that would not such lots are of meaning to the lots are of me

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approximate a normal 40-acre unit rather than to communitize such lots with the adjoining 40 acres and have an excessive amount of acreage comprise a drilling and proration unit. The larger lots could be considered as acceptable units for drilling purposes.

In all cases involving individual lots or communitized lots, it would seem proper that the proration allowable in New Mexico should be based on a factor being the ratio of the acreage of the lot or communitized tract to 40 acres, applied to the normal 40-acre allowable for the particular pool.

The difference in proration methods between the State of New Mexico and the State of Texas presents an additional problem. If legal and subject to reasonable administration, it would appear that a common oil and gas reservoir or pool embracing lands in the two states should be subject to the same proration rules and regulational. It has been suggested that if the pool or field is first discovered and developed in the State of New Mexico, that the extension into the State of Texas might be governed by the New Mexico proration schedules as adopted for that pool or field by the Texas Railroad Commission. Likewise, for a pool or field first discovered in the State of Texas and later extended into New Mexico, the New Mexico portion might be governed by applicable proration rules and regulations of the Texas Railroad Commission to be adopted by the New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission for that particular pool or field.

As we must take appropriate action to protect the Federal interests involved, this office suggests that the matter be given your earnest and early consideration, and that we be advised of your findings.

It may be desirable that the two State regulatory bodies hold a joint open hearing on the subject. Some informal discussions might also be informative and helpful. To this end I shall be glad to discuss the subject with representatives of both Commissions at any convenient place, having in mind either Santa Fe or Roswell, New Mexico, Midland or Austin, Texas.

Very truly yours,

FOSTER MORREIL
Oil and Gas Supervisor
Southwestern Region

cc: Hobbs
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## DIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

November 26, 1951

Mr. R. S. Magruder 601 Sinclair Building Ft. Worth 2 - Texas

Dear Mr. Magruder: RE: Unitisation of Lots 1 and 2, Sec. 33, Two. 24 South. Range 38 East. Lee County

Your letter of October 29, 1951, requesting a hearing on unitieation of the above-numbered lots was referred to me to prepare an advertishment for hearing at our regular December meeting. It is not clear from your letter as to which of the lots would be unitised with which 40-acre tract. Although we could probably correct this deficiency here, and would be glad to do so, the petition has not been prepared in the form required by the Commission, and some essential information is missing.

We invite your attention to Commission Rule 104, sub-section (e), which provides that an application for an exception to a normal drilling unit shall be accompanied by a plat drawn to scale accurately showing the property on which the exception is sought, all completed wells on that and adjoining property, and the names and addresses of all adjoining lessees shall be shown in the application,

Your application should be prepared in the form of a petition and submitted in triplicate with the accompanying plat, as provided for by this rule. If received prior to our December 20 hearing, it will be possible to set this case for hearing in January.

Yours very truly,

Jason Kellahin, Attorney

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#### STATE OF NEW MEXICO OFFICE OF STATE GEOLOGIST SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

January 2, 1952

Mr. R. S. Magrader 601 Sinclair Building Ft. Worth 2 - Texas

RE: Unitimation of Lots 1 and 2, Sec. 33, Typ. 24 South. Renew 38 East. Lee County Dear Mr. Magruders

We wish to advise that the above matter, as set out in your application of December 17, 1951, has been set for hearing before the Oil Commission at 10 a.m. January 22, 1952, Habry Hall (State Capitol), Santa Fe, New Maxico.

It has been designated as Case 337, and legally advertised for the described hearing.

Very truly yours,

R. R. Spurrier Secretary - Director

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#### OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

P. O. BOX 871 SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

April 23, 1952

Mr. R. S. Magruder 60% Sinclair Building Ft. Worth 2 - Texas

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Dear Mr. Magruder:

We enclose signed copy of Oil Conservation Commission

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In line with information furnished by you in your letter of February 2, 1952, copy of the order is also being sent to the present holder of the lease involved, Mr. J. H. Snowden, 750 West 5th Street, Fort Worth, Texas, to whose attention we call Paragraph 1-a under the clause IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED.

Order R-144 issued in Case 337, which you initiated.

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Very truly yours,

W. B. Macey Chief Engineer

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co: Mr. J. H. Snowden

Case 337

R. S. MAGRUDER
601 SINCLAIR BLDG. :: PHONE FANNIN 1487
FORT WORTH 2, TEXAS

February 2, 1952.

Oil Comservation Commission, Santa Fe, New Mexico., US Lease LC 069752 Case #337, January 22nd, hearing Lots 1 & 2, Sec 33, 248-38E Lea County, New Mexico.

Gentlemen: -

In connection with the above, this is to advise you, I have assigned the above lease to J. H. Snowden, 750 W 5th St, Fort Worth, Texas,, and have furnished Mr. Snowden with all correspondence from your Commission and from the U.S.G.S., in connection with the case.

I feel sure that Mr. Snowden will cooperate with you fully in any future matters that may come up concerning the case.

Yours very truly,

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JEFF D. ATWOOD ROSS L. MALONE, JR. JACK M. CAMPBELL

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Mr. W. B. Macy, Chief Engineer, Oil Conservation Commission, Santa Fe, New Mexico.

Dear Bill:

I am returning the composed order in Case No. 337. There is only one suggestion, which is certainly a minor one. In connection with the last paragraph you referred to the approval of the communitization by the Oil and Gas Supervisor of the U.S.C.S. This approval should technically be by the Director and it may be that you will want to change the words "Oil and Gas Supervisor" to "Director". Otherwise, I think the order is well drawn and will adequately cover the situation.

I am in the process of preparing a communitization agreement at this time and I will appreciate the early issuance of this order if such is practical.

Thanking you for your assistance, and with kindest personal regards,  $\boldsymbol{I}$  am

very truly cours, all Campbell

JMC:hl

Encl.