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MR. STAMETS: Case 4854. Application of Dugan
2 Production Corporation to commingle gas production prior to
 metering, San Juan County, New Mexico. Call for appearances
  in this case.
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MR. DUGAN: Thomas A. Dugan, owner of Dugan Production Corporation. 6

MR. STAMETS: Mr. Dugan, you were sworn in a previous Let the record show Mr. Dugan was sworn in the previous case and is still sworn.

MR, DUGAN: I have two exhibits. Exhibit 1 is just a map showing the layout of the Raven area of pipeline and Exhibit 2 is a plot of the wells on the Pet, Inc. lease. Referring to Exhibit 1, El Paso's gathering system ends in Section 35 of Township 28 North, 14 West, and a private line was laid from that point on to connect three wells in 1967. Two of these wells have since been abandoned, and there is one well currently producing through this system. 17

MR. STAMETS: Which well is that?

MR. DUGAN: That's the Gallup well in the Northwest of Section 26,28,15 which is called the Pet, Inc. #1. Since that time, we have developed some shallow production from the pictured-cliff formation at a depth ranging from 550 to 700 feet and we are desirous to connect these wells to our gathering 23 system and install compression so that they may be produced. Referring to Exhibit #2, these wells of the I.P.'s are

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1 indicated on Exhibit 2 where they range from 667 mcf per day
2 calculated absolute open flow down to 55 mcf per day.
3 shut-in pressures range from 98 psi to 130 psi. We plan to
4 install a two-stage compressor and produce with a small amount
5 of gases in this shallow reservoir, and we are requesting that
  we not be required to meter gas from each individual well, each
  individual pictured-cliff well. We will meter the gas from the
   Gallup well that is still currently producing and the total gas
   will be metered by El Paso at the exchange point in Section 35,
   28 North, 14 West. That's the reason for it is the Commission
    involved and the small amount of gas and the cost of metering,
    of purchasing and maintaining metering equipment.
              MR. STAMETS: How much gas do you anticipate being
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produced from these four wells?

MR. DUGAN: Well, I'm anticipating that there is 50 million under each 160 acre tract there, which is roughly \$15,000 worth of gas. That would be gross value of the gas; and when you subtract royalties, operating costs, and completion costs, why it brings it down to a fairly low net production, net profits from the operation. 20

MR. STAMETS: How long did you figure it would take you to produce reserves under these wells?

MR. DUGAN: Well, I hope that the wells will produce at a fairly good rate; and by installing two-stage compression, I plan to bring the pressures down to 10 lbs. or so, the well

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to the system. That's the one in the Northeast corner of 26.
  The other wells I plan to connect to the system.
             MR. STAMETS: What does a meter run cost?
             MR. DUGAN: A meter run and meter temperature recorder
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   costs in the neighborhood of $4,000.00.
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             MR. STAMETS: And you are calculating the gross value
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   of the gas at $50,000?
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             MR. DUGAN: Yes.
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             MR. STAMETS: So if you had to buy meters and had no
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  recovery to the value, the meters would be more than the value
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   of the gas?
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             MR. DUGAN: Well, it's getting close, and then there
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   are some operating costs involved in operating the meters.
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             MR. STAMETS: You would have to operate these meters
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  yourself?
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             MR. DUGAN: Oh, yes. El Paso has refused to connect
  the wells, which is obvious. They couldn't afford to lay out
   there. Total gas, of course, is metered by El Paso at the
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exchange point in Section 35, 28,14.

1 head pressures; and I estimate three to four years.

is that correct?

we'll have, well, \$60,000 worth of gas, \$70,000 worth total.

MR. STAMETS: You have five wells in this little pool,

MR. DUGAN: Well, actually there are six wells.

Pet, Inc. #4 is a pretty poor well. I doubt if I'll connect it

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MR. STAMETS: What is the ownership of the land that

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MR. DUGAN: It's one basic lease that I own 100% at
  this point, and it's all to the Navajo Reservation, which is
  common royalty.
            MR. STAMETS: So that's common Navajo?
            MR. DUGAN: Yes.
            MR. STAMETS: How will you estimate the gas coming
  from each of the individual wells?
            MR. DUGAN: I plan to have a portable meter of some
  type that I can go around and periodically check the production
  on a 24-hour basis from each well.
            MR. STAMETS: How often do you propose to do this?
            MR. DUGAN: Not very often. Once a year unless I have,
15 you know, unless there is some obvious problems out there, why,
  I plan to do it just once a year.
            MR. STAMETS: Will you be in the field often enough to
  determine that all of the wells are producing in order to allocate
  the monthly production?
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these wells were located on?

MR. DUGAN: Well, of course, the only real check we'll 21 have is what we are actually producing and selling to El Paso; 22 and if that varies by a great amount, then we'll start doing some 23 checking; but if it doesn't, why we won't. Of course, we'll have 24 to take some tests at the outstart to determine ratio between the

25 wells so that we can allocate the gas from the start.

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MR. STAMETS: And you would have no objection to submitting copies of your portable meter tests to the Commission when you got these things?

MR. DUGAN: No, sir.

MR. STAMETS: If your application were denied and you would have to meter these wells individually, what would the outcome of this be?

MR. DUGAN: Well, I know that I couldn't buy any equipment, so I'd start looking around for some second-hand stuff; and then if I can find that at a low enough cost, I'd probably go ahead. So I'm not going to buy new equipment.

MR. STAMETS: Have you priced second-hand equipment as yet?

MR. DUGAN: No, I haven't.

MR. STAMETS: Is this pool fully developed at this

MR. DUGAN: Well, probably not. I think there is some other locations on my lease and possibly a few, one or two, on off-set leases, but I doubt that they'd ever be drilled.

MR. STAMETS: Have you potentialled any of these wells 21 to see what they would make at this 10 lb. pressure?

MR. DUGAN: I produced the #2 well for about two weeks 23 and it looks like it would probably make 50 or 60 mcf a day. 24 That's the one in the Northeast quarter of 46, you know, for 25 extended rate.

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MR. STAMETS: Is that about average? MR. DUGAN: No, I think some of the other wells will be better than that. MR. STAMETS: What do you expect the most to be, a hundred mcf per day? MR. DUGAN: Yes. I hope to make a half million a day from all the wells. That's the way I've sized the compressor. MR. STAMETS: Is this pool named? MR. DUGAN: No. 10 MR. STAMETS: Would you propose a name for it if -11 MR. DUGAN: No, I haven't proposed one. I don't know whether the State has or not. 13 MR. STAMETS: Do you have a rame that you think should 14 be put on there? 15 MR. DUGAN: How about "Poorboy Fissure"? 16 MR. STAMETS: Poorboy Fissure. Are there any other 17 questions of this witness? You may be excused. Any statements 18 in this case? Case 4054 will be taken under advisement. 19 20 21

STATE OF NEW MEXICO ) SS. 2 COUNTY OF BERNALILLO) 3 I, JANET RUSSELL, a Court Reporter, in and for the County 5 6 7 8 proceedings to the best of my knowledge, skill and ability. 9 10 Janes Russell JOURT REPORTER 11 12 209 SIMMS BLDG. P.O. BOX 1092 - PHONE 243-1091 - ALBUQUERQUE. NEW MEXICO 87108 1210 FIRST NATIONAL BANK BLDG. EAST - ALBUQUERQUE, NEW MEXICO 87108 13 14 15 16 17 19 19 20 21 22 23 richard 1 24

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# BEFORE THE NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION CONFERENCE ROOM, STATE LAND OFFICE BUILDING SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO Wednesday, November 1, 1972

# EXAMINER HEARING

#### IN THE MATTER OF:

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Application of Dugan Production Corporation to commingle gas production prior to metering, San Juan County, New Mexico.

Case No. 4854

BEFORE: Elvis A. Utz,

Examiner

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MR. UTZ: Case 4854, the application of Dugan Production Corporation to commingle gas production prior to metering, San Juan County, New Mexico. I had a telephone call from Mr. Dugan this morning and he got stuck out in the field last night too late to get here and so he asked for a continuance and it will be continued to November 29th, 1972.

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF BERNALILLO

I, JOHN DE LA ROSA, Court Reporter, in and for the County of Bernalillo, State of New Mexico, do hereby certify that the foregoing and attached Transcript of Hearing before the New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission was reported by me; and that the same is a true and correct record of the said proceedings to the best of my knowledge, skill and ability.

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	Re:	Case No.	4854
Mr. Thomas A. Dugan Dugan Production Corporation	¥	Order No.	R-4453
Post Office Box 234 Farmington, New Mexico 87401	7 .	Applicant:	
		Dugan Produc	ction Corp.

Dear Sir:

Enclosed herewith are two copies of the above-referenced Commission order recently entered in the subject case.

A. L. PORTER, Jr.
Secretary-Director

# 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. 4854 Order No. R-4453

APPLICATION OF DUGAN PRODUCTION CORPORATION TO COMMINGLE GAS PRODUCTION PRIOR TO METERING, SAN JUAN COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

#### ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

# BY THE COMMISSION:

This cause came on for hearing at 9 a.m. on November 29, 1972, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner Richard L. Stamets

NOW, on this 19th day of December, 1972, 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 the applicant, Dugan Production Corporation, is the owner operator of the Pet. Inc. lease in Sections 25, 26, 35, and 36, Township 28 North, Range 15 West, NMPM, San Juan County, New Mexico.
- (3) That the applicant has completed 6 wells on said lease in a non-prorated undesignated Pictured Cliffs Pool, and one well in the Ojo-Gallup Pool, and is the sole operator in said pools.
- (4) That the applicant proposes to install a low pressure pipeline system to gather the production from said wells, and to compress the production for sale into a high pressure pipeline.
- (5) That the applicant seeks authority to commingle the gas produced from the aforesaid Pictured Cliffs gas wells, to meter the Gallup gas production, and to combine it with the Pictured Cliffs production for sale through a single sales meter, determining the total Pictured Cliffs gas production by means of subtraction, with allocation to the individual wells on the basis of periodic well tests.

-2-Case No. 4854 Order No. R-4453

- (6) That gas reserves under the Pet. Inc. lease in the aforesaid Pictured Cliffs gas pool are of a low marginal nature and that to require metering of the production from the Pictured Cliffs wells could seriously affect the practicability of the proposed project.
- (7) That the ownership of all wells in each of the aforesaid two gas pools is common throughout, including working interest, royalty interest, and overriding royalty interest.
- (8) That approval of the application will permit the production of gas which might not otherwise be recovered and will not harm correlative rights nor cause waste.

## IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

- (1) That the applicant, Dugan Production Corporation, is hereby authorized to commingle, prior to measurement, the Pictured Cliffs gas production from its wells on the Pet. Inc. lease, in Sections 25, 26, 35, and 36, Township 28 North, Range 15 West, NMPM, San Juan County, New Mexico.
- (2) That the applicant is further authorized to commingle the production of its Pet. Inc. lease Well No. 1 located in Unit D of Section 26 of said Township and Range, Ojo-Gallup Pool, San Juan County, New Mexico, after metering, with the commingled Pictured Cliffs Pool production.
- (3) That the commingled production shall be metered, the metered production from the Ojo-Gallup Pool subtracted, and the remainder allocated to the individual wells in accordance with the most recent well tests required under (4) below.
- (4) That within 30 days after the date of connection of any Pictured Cliffs Pool well to the applicant's Pet. Inc. lease commingled gathering system, and during the months of April and October, thereafter, the operator shall conduct a productivity test on said well. The test shall be conducted in a manner approved by the supervisor of the Commission's Aztec district office and shall be under conditions closely approximating normal production conditions.

PROVIDED HOWEVER, that the Secretary-Director of the Commission may approve an extension of the test period when an application for the same has been received and the evidence indicates that such extension is warranted.

(5) Copies of all productivity tests required under (4) above shall be submitted to the Commission's Aztec district office.

Case No. 4854 Order No. R-4453

(6) That jurisdiction of this cause is retained for the entry of such further orders as the Commission may deem necessary.

DONE at Santa Fe, New Mexico, on the day and year herein-

STATE OF NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

BRUCE KING, Chairman

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#### DOCKET: EXAMINER HEARING - WEDNESDAY - NOVEMBER 29, 1972

9 A.M. - OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION CONFERENCE ROOM, STATE LAND OFFICE BUILDING, SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

The following cases will be heard before Richard L. Stamets, Examiner, or Elvis A. Utz, Alternate Examiner:

# CASE 4854: (Continued from the November 1, 1972 Examiner Hearing)

Application of Dugan Production Corporation to commingle gas production prior to metering, San Juan County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks authority to commingle gas produced from wells located in Sections 25, 26, 35, and 36. Township 28 North, Range 15 West, undesignated Pictured Cliffs gas pool, San Juan County, New Mexico, prior to metering said gas, as an exception to Rule 403 of the Commission Rules and Regulations.

## CASE 4860: (Continued from the November 14, 1972 Examiner Hearing)

Application of Craig Folson for an unorthodox oil well location, Chaves County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks authority to drill a well to test the Queen formation at an unorthodox oil well location 1340 feet from the South line and 1300 feet from the East line of Section 12, Township 13 South, Range 31 East, Caprock-Queen Pool, Chaves County, New Mexico.

# CASE 4857: (Continued to November 29, 1972 Examiner Hearing)

Application of Perry R. Bass for an unorthodox location, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for an unorthodox gas well location for his Big Eddy Well No. 7 located 660 feet from the South line and 1980 feet from the East line of Section 19, Township 20 South, Range 31 East, Maroon Cliffs-Morrow Gas Pool, Eddy County, New Mexico, with the E/2 of said Section 19 to be dedicated to the well.

- CASE 4866: Application of Roger C. Hanks for salt water disposal, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks authority to dispose of produced salt water in the Devonian formation through perforations between 13,000 to 13,300 feet in his Graham Well No. 1 located in Unit F of Section 29, Township 16 South, Range 36 East, East Shoe Bar-Devonian Pool, Lea County, New Mexico.
- CASE 4867: Application of Superior Oil Company for compulsory pooling, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests in the Pennsylvanian formation underlying the S/2 of Section 7, Township 23 South, Range 27 East, South Carlsbad Field, Eddy County, New Mexico, to be dedicated to a

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well to be drilled 810 feet from the South line and 1980 feet from the West line of said Section 7. Also to be considered will be the costs of drilling said well, a charge for the risk involved, a provision for the allocation of actual operating costs, and the establishment of charges for supervision of said well.

- CASE 4868: Application of The Wiser Oil Company for a waterflood project, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks authority to institute a waterflood project by the injection of water into the Drinkard formation through its Downes "D" Well No. 1 located in Unit K of Section 32, Township 21 South, Range 37 East, Drinkard Pool, Lea County, New Mexico.
- CASE 4869: Application of Claude C. Kennedy for the amendment of Order Mo. R-4263 and for the revocation of Commission Order NSL-586, McKinley County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks the amendment of Order No. R-4263 to require that all wells drilled within the Lone Pine Dakota "D" Unit be drilled on locations no closer than 330 feet from the boundary of the quarter-quarter section in which any such well is located, and to prohibit the transfer of allowable to any well located closer than 1320 feet from the outer boundary of the unit area. Applicant further requests the revocation of Commission Order No. NSL-586 dated November 1, 1972, which order authorized Tenneco Oil Company to drill its proposed Lone Pine Dakota "D" Unit No. 29 well at a location 2300 feet from the South line and 1450 feet from the West line of Section 8, Township 17 North, Range 8 West, Lone Pine-Dakota "D" Oil Pool, McKinley County, New Mexico.

## CASE 4835: (Continued and readvertised)

Application of Texas Oil & Gas Corporation for compulsory pooling, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests from the surface of the ground down to and including the Pennsylvanian formation underlying the S/2 of Section 13, Township 22 South, Range 26 East, South Carlsbad Field area, Eddy County, New Mexico, to be dedicated to a well to be drilled 660 feet from the South line and 1980 feet from the East line of said Section 13. Also to be considered will be the costs of drilling said well, a charge for the risk involved, a provision for the allocation of actual operating costs, and the establishment of charges for supervision of said well.

CASE 4870: Application of Sun Oil Company for an unorthodox location, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks authority to drill its proposed U. D. Sawyer Well No. 10 at an unorthodox location 986 feet from the South line and 1000.5 feet from the East line of Section 27, Township 9 South, Range 36 East, Crossroads-Devonian Pool, Lea County, New Mexico.

Examiner Hearing - Wednesday - November 29, 1972

- CASE 4871: Application of Samedan Oil Corporation for a unit agreement, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval of the Langlie-Mattix "B-4" Penrose (Queen) Unit Area, comprising 240 acres, more or less, of Federal lands in Sections 17 and 18, Township 23 South, Range 37 East, Lea County, New Mexico.
- CASE 4872: Application of Samedan Oil Corporation for a waterflood project,
  Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks
  authority to institute a waterflood project by the injection of water
  into the Queen formation through two wells in its Langlie-Mattix
  "B-4" Unit Area, Langlie-Mattix Pool, Lea County, New Mexico.

## CASE 4862: (Continued and readvertised)

Application of Adobe 011 Company for a non-standard gas proration unit and an unorthodox location, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for a 520-acre non-standard gas proration unit comprising the NE/4, SE/4, E/2 SW/4, N/2 NW/4, and SE/4 NW/4 of Section 11, Township 23 South, Range 24 East, Rock Tank-Upper Morrow and Rock Tank-Lower Morrow Gas Pools, Eddy County, New Mexico, to be dedicated to a well to be drilled at an unorthodox location 660 feet from the South line and 330 feet from the East line of said Section 11.

#### CASE 4863: (Continued and readvertised)

Application of C & K Petroleum Inc. for an unorthodox well location, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for the unorthodox location of a well to be located 660 feet from the South and West lines, or in the alternative, 990 feet from the South line and 660 feet from the West line of Section 18, Township 18 South, Range 26 East, West Atoka-Morrow Gas Pool, Eddy County, New Mexico, to be dedicated to a standard proration unit comprising the S/2 of said Section 18.

CASE 4873: Application of Mountain States Petroleum Corporation for gas prorationing, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks the institution of gas prorationing in the West Atoka-Morrow Gas Pool, Eddy County, New Mexico.

#### DOCKET: EXAMINER HEARING - WEDNESDAY - NOVEMBER 1, 1972

9 A.M. - OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION CONFERENCE ROOM, STATE LAND OFFICE BUILDING, SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

The following cases will be heard before Daniel S. Nutter, Examiner, or Elvis A. Utz, Alternate Examiner:

#### CASE 4835: (Continued from the September 27, 1972, Examiner Hearing)

Application of Texas 011 & Gas Corporation for compulsory pooling, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests from the surface of the ground down to and including the Pennsylvanian formation underlying the S/2 of Section 13, Township 22 South, Range 26 East, South Carlsbad Field area, Eddy County, New Mexico, to be dedicated to a well to be drilled 1980 feet from the South and East lines of said Section 13. Also to be considered will be the costs of drilling said well, a charge for the risk involved, a provision for the allocation of actual operating costs, and the establishment of charges for supervision of said well.

- CASE 4849: Application of Harding Oil Company for pool creation, special rules therefor, and discovery allowable, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks the creation of a new pool for the production of oil from the Atoka formation for its Shipp Well No. 4 located in Unit I of Section 11, Township 17 South, Range 37 East, Lea County, New Mexico, and the promulgation of special rules therefor, including a provision for 80-acre spacing and proration units. Applicant further seeks the assignment of a discovery allowable of approximately 58,310 barrels of oil to said well.
- CASE 4850: Application of Dalport Oil Corporation for amendment of pool rules, Chaves County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks the amendment of Rule 2 (a) and Rule 7 of the special rules governing the Double L-Queen Associated Pool, Chaves County, New Mexico, to increase the size of a standard gas well proration unit from 160 acres to 320 acres and a corresponding increase in the gas allowable.

# CASE 4843: (Continued from the October 17, 1972, Examiner Hearing)

Application of Dalport Oil Corporation for designation of a special gas area and special rules therefor, Chaves County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks the designation of the Southeast Chaves Queer. Gas Area comprising all of Townships 12 and 13 South, Ranges 30 and 31 East, Township 14 South, Ranges 29, 30 and 31 East, and Township 15 South, Ranges 29 and 30 East.

Applicant further seeks the promulgation of special rules for said area including a provision for 320-acre spacing for gas

wells, location of gas wells in conformance with the Southeast New Mexico 320-acre gas well location rules, and classification of wells as gas wells at a gas-liquid ratio of 30,000 or more. Oil wells in said area would be governed by the statewide rules.

- CASE 4851: Application of Texaco Inc. for a unit agreement, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval of a unit area comprising 1400 acres, more or less, of state lands in Sections 1, 2, 11, and 12, Township 18 South, Range 34 East, Lea County, New Mexico.
- CASE 4852: Application of Texaco Inc. for a pressure maintenance project and special rules therefor, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks to institute a pressure maintenance project in the Vacuum Grayburg-San Andres Pool by the injection of water through 8 wells at orthodox and unorthodox locations in Sections 1 and 2, Township 18 South, Range 34 East, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant further seeks authority to drill 8 producing wells within the boundaries of said project at unorthodox locations and the assignment of a bonus allowable to said project.
- CASE 4853: Application of El Paso Natural Gas Company for amendment of gas well testing procedures, San Juan Basin, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks the amendment of the gas well testing procedures for the San Juan Basin, New Mexico, promulgated by Order No. R-333-F, as amended, to remove the requirement for annual deliverability and shut-in pressure tests for marginal wells.

CASE 4854:

Application of Dugan Production Corporation to commingle gas production prior to metering, San Juan County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks authority to commingle gas produced from wells located in Sections 25, 26, 35, and 36, Township 28 North, Range 15 West, undesignated Pictured Cliffs gas pool, San Juan County, New Mexico, prior to metering said gas, as an exception to Rule 403 of the Commission Rules and Regulations.

Drawer 1857 Roswell, New Mexico 88201



October 10, 1972

Pugan Production Corporation P. O. Box 234 Farmington, New Mexico 87401

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Re: Navajo Tribal lease 14-20-603-2015

#### Gentlemen:

Your letter of September 26, 1972 requests approval to commingle all gas from lease Navajo tribal 14-20-603-2015 in secs. 25, 26, 35, and 36, T. 28 N., R. 15 W., San Juan County, New Mexico.

As set forth in your letter, all wells would be produced into your Raven Area Pipeline, a compressor set and the gas transported to El Paso's pipeline in the NW2 sec. 35, T. 28 N., R. 14 W. where all gas would be metered. Gas that is metered at the one Gallup well would be subtracted from the total and the remainder allocated back to the Pictured Cliffs wells based on individual tests.

Your request is hereby approved subject to like approval by the New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission.

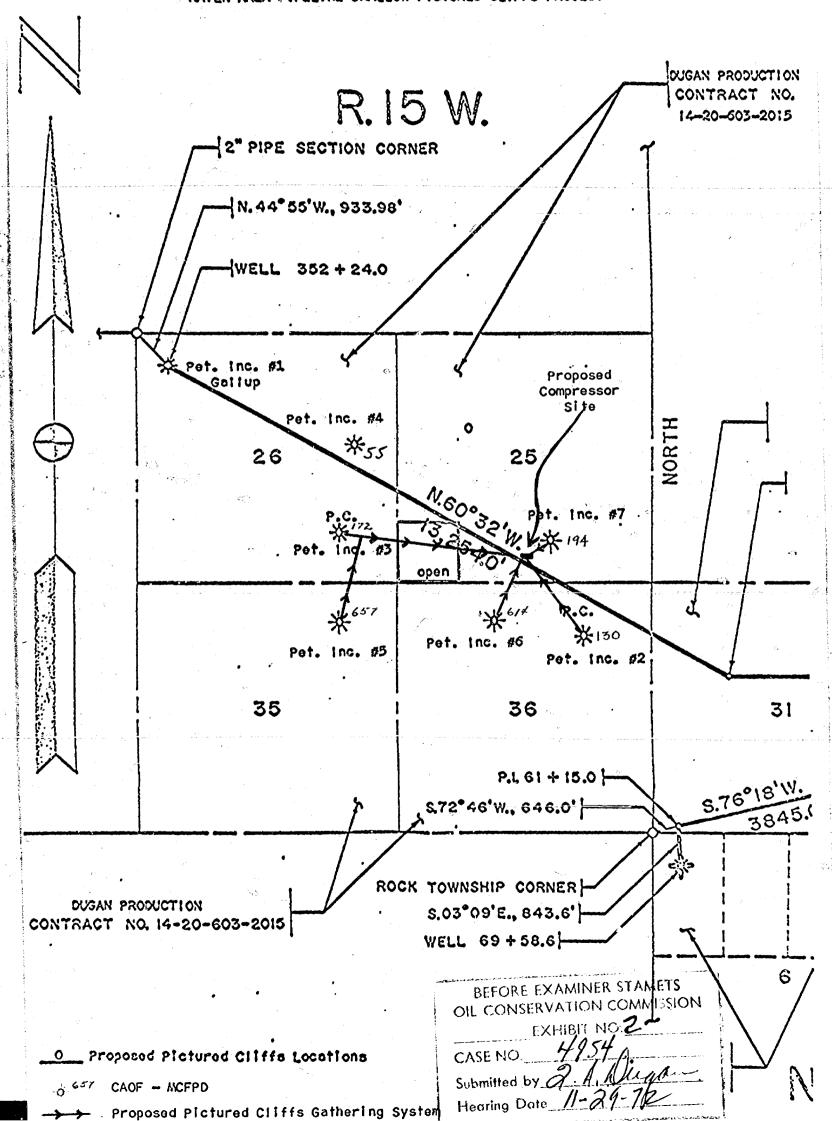
Sincerely yours,

N. O. FREDERICK Area Oil and Gas Supervisor

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September 26, 1972

Mr. Emery Arnold Oil Conservation Commission 1000 Rio Brazos Road Aztec, New Mexico 87410

Case 4854

Dear Emery:

We have developed a shallow Pictured Cliffs gas sand on our Pet. Inc. lease, which comprises most of Sections 25, 26, 35, and 36 in Township 28 North, Range 15 West, San Juan County, New Mexico. The producing sand in the Pictured Cliffs formation is thin - 10' to 15' thick, at a depth of 575' to 650' - and the wellhead shut-in surface pressure is 131 psig. The wells should produce 25 to 100 MCF/day against 35 psi backpressure.

We presently have two wells completed in the sand and propose to drill an amitional four or five wells, set a compressor, and deplete the gas that is in this Pictured Cliffs reservoir. We are enclosing a plat showing the present wells and the proposed wells.

El Paso Natural Gas Company will not connect the wells to their system because of the small reserves. Because of the low bottom-hole pressure and the small amount of net sand, the recoverable gas will be much less than other Pictured Cliffs reservoirs, so it will be imperative that we develop this prospect with the lowest possible investment.

We are asking permission to produce the wells into our Raven Area Pipeline without metering the gas from the individual wells. The cost of metering the wells individually would jeopardize the economics of this project. We will meter the gas from Pet. Inc. #1, which is a Gallup completion, and the total gas will be metered where we sell it to El Paso, five miles from lease in the NW/4 Section 35, Township 28 North, Range 14 West. We will be able to allocate total Pictured Cliffs gas back to the lease and divide it among the wells by individual well tests that could be run annually.

Sincerely,

Thomas A. Dugan

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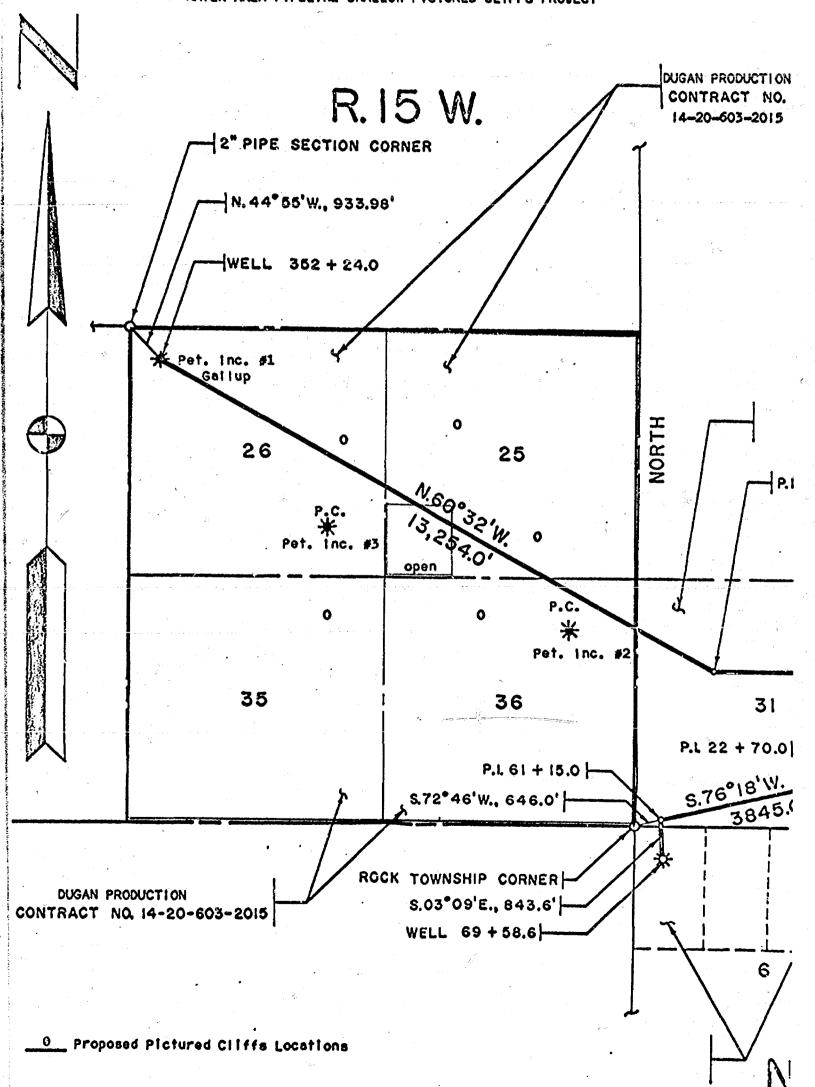
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## RAVEN AREA PIPELINE SHALLOW PICTURED CLIFFS PROJECT



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#### 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:

> 4854 CASE NO.

Order No. R-44

APPLICATION OF DUGAN PRODUCTION CORPORATION TO COMMINGLE GAS PRODUCTION PRIOR TO METERING, SAN JUAN COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

#### ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

#### BY THE COMMISSION:

This cause came on for hearing at 9 a.m. on November 29 at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner Richard L. Stamets

NOW, on this \_\_\_\_\_ day of December , 1972, 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 the applicant, Dugan Production Corporation, is the owner operator of the Pet. Inc. lease in Sections 25, 26, 35, and 36, Township 28 North, Range 15 West, NMPM, San Juan County, New Mexico.

- (3) That the applicant has completed 6 wells on said lease and one willin the Odo Gallup Pool in a non-prorated undesignated Pictured Cliffs Pool, and is the sole operator in said pools.
- (4) That the applicant proposes to install a low pressure pipeline system to gather the production from said wells, and to compress the production for sale into a high pressure pipeline.
- (5) That the applicant speks enthority to commingle the gas produced from the aforesaid Pictural Cliffs gas wells, to meter the Gallup gas production, and to combine it with the Pictured Cliffs production for sale through a single sales meter, determining the total Pictured Cliffs gas production by means of subtraction, with allocation to the individual wells on the besis of periodic well tosts.

(6) That gas reserves under the Pet. Inc. lease in said
Pictured Cliffs gas Pool are of a low marginal nature and that
to require metering of the production from the Pictured Cliffs
wells could seriously affect the practicability of the proposed
project.

That the ownership of all wells in each of the aforesaid two gas pools
is common throughout, including working interest, regardly interest, and over
That approval of the application will permit the produc-

tion of gas which might not otherwise be recovered and will not harm correlative rights nor cause waste.

#### IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

(1) That the applicant, Dugan Production Corporation, is Pictured Cliffs qus hereby authorized to commingle, prior to measurement, the production from its wells on the Pet. Inc. lease, in Sections 25, 26, 35, and 36. Township 28 North, Range 15 West, NMPM, Undesignated.

(3)(2) That the commingled production shall be metered, and from the ojo Gullup pool subtracted, and the remainder allocated to the individual wells in accordance with the most recent well tests required under (A) below.

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That the (2) Applicant is further authorized to commingle and Reserved to production of its Pet. Inc. lease Well No I focuted in unit Das section 26 of said township and runge, O jo- Grallap Pool attended Sun Juan Country, New Mexico, after metering, with the commingled Pictured Cliffs Pool production,

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That within 30 days after the date of connection of any Profund Cliffs | well to the applicant's Pet. Inc. lease commingled gathering system, and during the months of April and October, thereafter, the operator shall conduct a productivity test on said well. The test shall be conducted in a manner approved by the supervisor of the Commission's Aztec district office and shall be under conditions closely approximating normal production conditions.

> PROVIDED HOWEVER, that the Secretary-Director of the Commission may approve an extension of the test period when an application for the same has been received and the evidence indicate that such extension is warranted.

- (A) Copies of all productivity tests required under (3) above shall be submitted to the Commission's Aztec district office.
- (5) That jurisdiction of this cause is retained for the entry of such further orders as the Commission may deem necessary.

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

CASE 4855: APPLICATION OF GULF OIL FOR DOWNHOLE COMMINGLING, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.