

**CASE 4928: Application of UNION
OIL CO. OF CALIFORNIA FOR
COMPULSORY POOLING, EDDY COUNTY,**

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CASE No.
4928

Application,
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BEFORE THE
NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION
OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION CONFERENCE ROOM
STATE LAND OFFICE BUILDING
SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO
May 9, 1973

EXAMINER HEARING

IN THE MATTER OF:

Application of Union Oil Company of
California for compulsory pooling,
Eddy County, New Mexico.

Case No. 4928

BEFORE: Daniel S. Nutter
Examiner

TRANSCRIPT OF HEARING

1 MR. NUTTER: We will call for Case 4928 at this time.

2 MR. CARR: Case 4928, Application of Union Oil Company
3 of California for compulsory pooling, Eddy County, New Mexico.

4 MR. NUTTER: No one is present for Case 4928. We will
5 call the case again later in the day.

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7 MR. NUTTER: We will call again Case No. 4928.

8 MR. CARR: Case 4928, Application of Union Oil Company
9 of California for compulsory pooling, Eddy County, New Mexico.

10 MR. NUTTER: With respect to Case No. 4928, I would like
11 to read into the record the letter we received from Clarence
12 Hinkle regarding Case No. 4932, which applied to the same
13 acreage. The letter from Clarence Hinkle in that case,
14 addressed to the Oil Conservation Commission, dated May 7, 1973,
15 reads:

16 "Gentlemen,

17 We represent Atlantic Richfield in connection with the
18 captioned case which is an application for approval of
19 a non-standard gas proration unit comprising the
20 west half of Section 11, Township 21 South, Range 25
21 East, and the Catclaw Draw-Morrow Gas Field, Eddy
22 County. This is a companion case to Case No. 4928 filed
23 by Union Oil Company of California for compulsory pooling
24 involving said Section 11. Atlantic Richfield and Union
25 have reached an agreement concerning this matter and

1 you may consider this as a motion on behalf of Atlantic
2 Richfield to dismiss Case No. 4932. We understand that
3 Union Oil Company will dismiss Case No. 4928."

4 We have received no request from Union Oil Company to
5 dismiss 4928; but, in view of the statements contained in the
6 other case and no appearance at this hearing by Union Oil
7 Company, we will dismiss Case No. 4928 with prejudice.

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1 STATE OF NEW MEXICO)
2) ss.
3 COUNTY OF BERNALILLO)

4 I, JOHN DE LA ROSA, a Certified Shorthand Reporter, do
5 hereby certify that the foregoing and attached Transcript of
6 Hearing before the New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission was
7 reported by me; and that the same is a true and correct record
8 of the said proceedings, to the best of my knowledge, skill and
9 ability.

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11 CERTIFIED SHORTHAND REPORTER

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I do hereby certify that the foregoing is
a complete record of the proceedings in
the Examiner hearing of Case No. 4928
heard by me on 5/9, 1973.


Examiner
New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission

BEFORE THE
NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION
OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION CONFERENCE ROOM
STATE LAND OFFICE BUILDING
SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO
Wednesday, April 11, 1973

EXAMINER HEARING

IN THE MATTER OF:

Application of Union Oil Company of
California for compulsory pooling,
Eddy County, New Mexico.

Case No. 4928

BEFORE: Elvis A. Utz

TRANSCRIPT OF HEARING


1 MR. UTZ: First we will take up the continued cases,
2 of which we have several, like about four. First I'll
3 call case 4928.

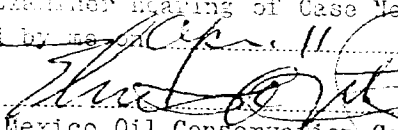
4 MR. CARR: Case 4928, application of Union Oil
5 Company of California for compulsory pooling, Eddy County,
6 New Mexico.

7 MR. UTZ: We have a request for continuance of this
8 case to the May 9 hearing, 1973. The case will be
9 continued.

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11 STATE OF NEW MEXICO)
12) ss.
13 COUNTY OF BERNALILLO)

14 I, JANET RUSSELL, A Notary Public, in and for the
15 County of Bernalillo, State of New Mexico do hereby certify
16 that the foregoing and attached Transcript of Hearing before
17 the New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission was reported by
18 me; and that the same is a true and correct record of the
19 said proceedings to the best of my knowledge, skill and
20 ability.

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22 NOTARY PUBLIC

23 I do hereby certify that the foregoing is
24 a complete record of the proceedings in
25 the Examiner hearing of Case No. 4928,
heard by me on April 11, 1973.

Examiner
New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission

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BEFORE THE
NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION
STATE LAND OFFICE BUILDING
SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO
March 28, 1973

EXAMINER HEARING

IN THE MATTER OF:

Application of Union Oil Company of
California for compulsory pooling,
Eddy County, New Mexico

Case No. 4928

BEFORE: Daniel S. Nutter
Examiner

TRANSCRIPT OF HEARING

1 MR. NUTTER: Case 4928: Application of Union Oil Company of
2 California for compulsory pooling, Eddy County, New Mexico.

3 At the request of the Applicant, this case will be continued to
4 the Examiner Hearing scheduled at this same place at 9:00 o'clock A.M. on
5 April 11th, 1973.

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1 STATE OF NEW MEXICO)
2)ss
COUNTY OF BERNALILLO)

3 I, RICHARD E. McCORMICK, a Certified Shorthand Reporter, do hereby
4 certify that the foregoing and attached Transcript of Hearing before the
5 New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission was reported by me; and that the
6 same is a true and correct record of the said proceedings, to the best of
7 my knowledge, skill and ability.

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9 Richard E. McCormick
Certified Shorthand Reporter

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I do hereby certify that the foregoing is
a complete record of the proceedings in
the Examiner hearing of Case No. 4928
heard by me on 2/2/73, 1973.
David L. Dumas Examiner
New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission



OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

STATE OF NEW MEXICO

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A. L. PORTER, JR.
SECRETARY - DIRECTOR**

May 21, 1973

Mr. S. B. Christy
Jennings, Christy & Copple
Attorneys at Law
Post Office Box 1180
Roswell, New Mexico 88201

Re: Case No. 4928
Order No. R-4526
Applicant:

Union Oil Co. of California

Dear Sir:

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

Very truly yours,

A. L. Porter

A. L. PORTER, Jr.
Secretary-Director

ALP/ir

Copy of order also sent to:

Hobbs OCC **x**

Artesia OCC **x**

Aztec OCC

Other _____

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. 4928
Order No. R-4526

APPLICATION OF UNION OIL COMPANY
OF CALIFORNIA FOR COMPULSORY
POOLING, EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

BY THE COMMISSION:

This cause came on for hearing at 9 a.m. on May 9, 1973,
at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner Daniel S. Nutter.

NOW, on this 17th day of May, 1973, the Commission,
a quorum being present, having considered the record and the
recommendations of the Examiner, and being fully advised in
the premises,

FINDS:

That the applicant's request for dismissal should be granted.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

That Case No. 4928 is hereby dismissed.

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

STATE OF NEW MEXICO
OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION



I. R. Trujillo
I. R. TRUJILLO, Chairman

Alex J. Armijo
ALEX J. ARMILLO, Member

A. L. Porter, Jr.
A. L. PORTER, Jr., Member & Secretary

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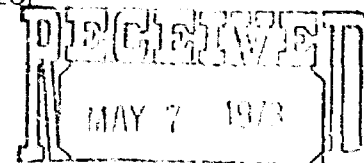
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May 4, 1973



New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission
P. O. Box 2088
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OIL CONSERVATION COMM
Santa Fe

Attention: Mr. A. L. Porter

Re: Case 4928
May 9, 1973 Docket

File

Gentlemen:

On behalf of our client Union Oil Company of California, we request dismissal of Case 4928, set for examiner hearing May 9, 1973.

Insofar as we know the only other interested party is Atlantic Richfield Company, represented by Mr. Clarence Hinkle, who has consented to the dismissal.

Respectfully,

JENNINGS, CHRISTY & COPPLE

BY

[Signature]
S. B. Christy IV

SBC:jy

cc: Mr. Clarence Hinkle
cc: Union Oil Company of California (Mr. Petmecky-Midland)

DOCKET: EXAMINER HEARING - WEDNESDAY - MAY 9, 1973

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:

- ALLOWABLE: (1) Consideration of the allowable production of gas for June, 1973, from seventeen prorated pools in Lea, Eddy, Roosevelt and Chaves Counties, New Mexico;
- (2) Consideration of the allowable production of gas from nine prorated pools in San Juan, Rio Arriba, and Sandoval Counties, New Mexico, for June, 1973.

CASE 4943: (Continued from the April 11, 1973 Examiner Hearing)

Application of M. W. Staples for an unorthodox oil well location, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks authority to produce oil from his Vanderventer Well No. 2 located 1310 feet from the North line and 1330 feet from the East line of Section 20, Township 18 South, Range 28 East, Artesia Pool, Eddy County, New Mexico. Said well was drilled as an injection well at said location pursuant to authority granted by Order No. R-3341.

CASE 4928: (Continued from the April 11, 1973, Examiner Hearing)

Application of Union Oil Company of California for compulsory pooling, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests in the Morrow formation underlying all of Section 11, Township 21 South, Range 25 East, Catclaw Draw-Morrow Gas Pool, Eddy County, New Mexico, to be dedicated to the Atlantic Richfield Oil Company Pure-Federal Well No. 11 located in Unit K of said Section 11. Applicant further seeks a provision for the payment of proper costs to be borne by applicant for such well and the related well equipment, a provision for allocation of actual operating costs, and the establishment of charges for supervision of such well and the designation of an operator thereof; and for such other relief as proper. Also to be considered will be the risk involved in drilling the subject well.

CASE 4932: (Continued from the April 11, 1973, Examiner Hearing)

Application of Atlantic Richfield Company for a non-standard proration unit, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for a 340.94-acre non-standard gas proration unit comprising the W/2 of Section 11, Township 21 South, Range 25 East, Catclaw Draw-Morrow Gas Pool, Eddy County, New Mexico, to be dedicated to its Pure Federal Well No. 1 located in Unit K of said Section 11.

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April 6, 1973

New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission
P. O. Box 2088
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87501

Attention: Mr. Daniel S. Nutter
Chief Engineer

RE: Cases 4928 and 4932
Union-Atlantic Applications

Dear Mr. Nutter:

This letter will confirm our telephone conversation to you of April 5 wherein we requested, on behalf of our client Union Oil Company of California, with the consent of attorney Paul Eaton in behalf of Atlantic Richfield Company, to continue both of the captioned cases to the examiner hearing to be held May 9, 1973.

You are advised that our client reports that the overriding royalty ownership is common throughout all of Section 11, Township 21 South, Range 25 East, and since all of the lands involved are federal lands we do not believe there are any other interested parties to the Applications.

We appreciate your consideration in the foregoing respects.

Sincerely,

JENNINGS, CHRISTY & COPPLE

DOCKET MAILED

Date

4/26/73
for 5/9/73

BY

S. B. Christy IV

SBC/mb

cc: Mr. Paul Eaton
Union Oil Company of California (William Petmecky)

OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

P. O. BOX 2088

SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO 87501

March 14, 1973

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Atlantic Richfield Company
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DOCKET MAILED

Date 3/28/73

DOCKET MAILED

Date 4-26-73

5/9/73

Re: Cases 4928 and 4932

Gentlemen:

Case No. 4928, application of Union Oil Company of California, for compulsory pooling in Section 11, Township 21 South, Range 25 East, Catclaw Draw-Morrow Gas Pool, Eddy County, New Mexico, is presently set for hearing on March 28, 1973.

We have this date docketed Case No. 4932, application of Atlantic Richfield Company for a non-standard proration unit comprising the W/2 of said Section 11 for hearing on April 11, 1973. The aforementioned Case 4928 will be continued to April 11, and both cases will be heard on that date.

Very truly yours,

DANIEL S. NUTTER
Chief Engineer

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STATE CAPITOL BLDG SANTA FE NM 87501

ON BEHALF OF OUR CLIENT UNION OIL COMPANY OF CALIFORNIA
WE HEREBY MAKE APPLICATION FOR AN ORDER AFTER NOTICE AND
HEARING TO FORCE POOLING ALL MINERAL INTEREST IN ALL OF SECTION
11 TOWNSHIP 21 SOUTH RANGE 25 EAST EDDY COUNTY NEW
MEXICO WITHIN THE VERTICAL LIMITS OF THE CATCLAW DRAW
MORROW GAS POOL FOR THE PRODUCTION OF GAS AND ASSOCIATED
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UNDERLYING SAID SECTION 11 UNION OIL COMPANY OF CALIFORNIA
IS ONE OF THE OWNERS OF AN OIL AND GAS LEASE
COVERING THE EAST HALF OF SAID SECTION 11 AND AFTER
GOOD FAITH NEGOTIATIONS WITH ATLANTIC RICHFIELD CO
OPERATOR OF AN OIL AND GAS LEASE COVERING THE WEST HALF
OF SAID SECTION 11 IS UNABLE TO AGREE TO POOLING OF
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OBTAINED FROM ATLANTICS PURE FEDERAL #1 WELL
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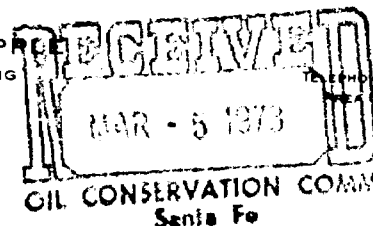
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March 1, 1973



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Case 4928

New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission
P. O. Box 2088
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87501

Attention: A. L. Porter, Jr.,
Secretary-Director

Gentlemen:

We enclose herewith in triplicate Application of Union Oil Company of California for compulsory pooling covering all of Section 11, Township 21 South, Range 25 East, as to the vertical limits of the Catclaw Draw Morrow Gas Pool, Eddy County, New Mexico.

We would appreciate your placing the matter on the earliest examiner's docket. Copy of the Application has been forwarded to the principal opposing party, Atlantic Richfield Oil Company.

Respectfully,

JENNINGS, CHRISTY & COPPLE

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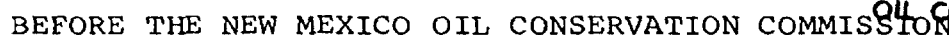
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Encl.

cc: Union Oil Company of California
(Mr. Bill Petmecky)

DOCKET MAILED

Date *4-26-73*



APPLICATION OF UNION OIL COMPANY
OF CALIFORNIA FOR COMPULSORY POOLING
OF ALL MINERAL INTEREST IN ALL OF
SECTION 11, TOWNSHIP 21 SOUTH,
RANGE 25 EAST, N.M.P.M., EDDY COUNTY,
NEW MEXICO.

Case No.

COMES NOW Union Oil Company of California acting through its undersigned attorneys and hereby makes application for compulsory pooling of all mineral interest in all of Section 11, Township 21 South, Range 25 East, N.M.P.M., Eddy County, New Mexico, within the vertical limits of the Catclaw Draw Morrow Gas Pool, said acreage to be dedicated to Atlantic Richfield Oil Company's Pure-Federal No. 1 Well located in Unit K of said Section 11, and for grounds thereof states:

1. Applicant is the owner of an interest in an oil and gas lease covering the E $\frac{1}{2}$ of said Section 11.

2. All of said Section 11 is within the horizontal limits of the Catclaw Draw Morrow Gas Pool which provides, among other things, for 640 acre spacing.

3. Atlantic Richfield Oil Company is the operator of the
Date _____
Pure-Federal No. 1 Well located in Unit K of said Section 11, and
is the present owner of all oil and gas operating rights under an
oil and gas lease covering the W½ of said Section 11.

4. Applicant has negotiated in good faith with Atlantic Richfield Oil Company in an effort to obtain pooling of production within the vertical limits of the Catclaw Draw Morrow Gas Pool

underlying said Section 11, but that the parties have been unable to agree to pool their interests.

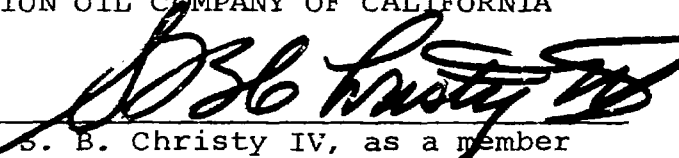
5. That the formation of a standard spacing unit consisting of all of said Section 11 as provided by the Special Rules for the Catclaw Draw Morrow Gas Pool will avoid the drilling of unnecessary wells, protect the correlative rights of the interested parties, and avoid waste.

6. That all of said Section 11 should be dedicated to Atlantic Richfield's Pure-Federal No. 1 Well located in Unit K of said Section 11, and Applicant offers to pay its proper cost of such well and well equipment.

WHEREFORE, Applicant prays, after notice and hearing, that the Commission enter an Order pooling all mineral interest whatever they may be in Section 11, Township 21 South, Range 25 East, N.M.P.M., within the vertical limits of the Catclaw Draw Morrow Gas Pool, and dedicating all of said Section 11 to Atlantic Richfield's Pure-Federal No. 1 Well located in Unit K of said Section 11; that such Order should provide for the payment of proper costs to be borne by Applicant for such well and the related well equipment, a provision for allocation of actual operating costs, and the establishment of charges for supervision of such well and the designation of an operator thereof; and for ^{such other} ~~all proper~~ relief as proper

UNION OIL COMPANY OF CALIFORNIA

By


S. B. Christy IV, as a member
of the firm of Jennings, Christy
& Copple, P. O. Box 1180, Roswell,
New Mexico 88201 (505) 622-8432

CERTIFICATE

The undersigned attorney does hereby certify that he did on the 1st day of March, 1973, mail a true and correct copy of the above and foregoing Application to Atlantic Richfield Oil Company, P. O. Box 2819, Dallas, Texas 75201.


S. B. Christy IV

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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:

CASE No. 4928

Order No. R- 4526

APPLICATION OF UNION OIL COMPANY
OF CALIFORNIA FOR COMPULSORY
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ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

BY THE COMMISSION:

This cause came on for hearing at 9 a.m. on May 9, 1973,
at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner Daniel S. Nutter.

NOW, on this _____ day of May, 1973, the Commission,
a quorum being present, having considered the record and the recom-
mendations of the Examiner, and being fully advised in the premises,

FINDS:

That the applicant's request for dismissal should be
granted.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

That Case No. 4928 is hereby dismissed.

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