CASE 5324: Application of CITIES SERVICE FOR COMPULSORY POOLING, EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

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CITIES SERVICE COMPANY

BOX 300

April 24, 1981

Energy and Minerals Department Oil Conservation Division P.O. Box 2088 Sante Fe, New Mexico 87501

Attention:

Mr. Ernest L. Padilla

RE: Tracy "B" #1

Eddy County, New Mexico

Gentlemen:

Your letter of April 15, 1981 concerning the interest of Victorio and Trinidad Rodriguez in the subject well has been forwarded to my office for reply. Due to various oversights in the accounting of this interest, we are unable to furnish all of the production figures at this time. However, this information is currently being accumulated and will be furnished as soon as possible. In the meantime, if you have any other questions, please direct them to my attention.

Very truly yours,

H. C. Bland

Manager Joint Interest Administration

Energy Resources Group

HCB:NW:ct

cc: Victorio and Trinidad Rodriguez

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Grants, New Mexico 87020

Mr. Charles O'Connell - 647 OCB



STATE OF NEW MEXICO ENERGY AND MINERALS DEPARTMENT OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

BRUCE KING GOVERNOR LARRY KEHIOE April 15, 1981

POST OFFICE BOX 2088 STATE LAND OFFICE BUILDING SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO 87501 (505) 827-2434

Mr. C. M. O'Connell Credit Services Representative Cities Service Company P. G. Box 300 Tulsa, Oklahoma 74102

Mr. D. F. Motter Engineering Manager Cities Service Company P. O. Box 1919 Midland, Texas 79702

> Re: Oil Conservation Commission Order R-4866, Case No. 5324

Gentlemen:

Oil Conservation Commission Order No. R-4866 pooled the E/2 of Section 18, Township 22 South, Range 27 East, NMPM, Eddy County, New Mexico, to be dedicated to the Tracy "B" Com Well No. 1.

The Division has received an inquiry from Mr. Victorio Rodriquez concerning the current status of the well that was drilled on the E/2 of Section 18. Mr. Rodriquez is inquiring specifically as to the minerals underlying Lot 5 in the Murray subdivision containing .349954 acres.

Mr. Rodriquez has received correspondence from Cities Service Company concerning certain hillings which had has been directed to pay. Mr. Rodriquez has, to his knowledge, never obtained an accounting as to production and payout status regarding the well.

Please furnish Mr. Rodriquez, whose address is Box 211, Grants, New Mexico 87020 with an up-to-date accounting of his interest in the above-mentioned well, and send a copy of that accounting to this office. Enclosed are copies of letters sent to Mr. Rodriquez dated January 15, 1981, and February 23, 1981, for your reference. An explanation of the necessity of these

Mr. C. M. O'Connell Mr. D. F. Motter

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April 15, 1201

billings would seem to be appropriate in light of Mr. Rodriquez' inquiries to us.

Very truly yours,

ERNEST L. PADILLA General Counsel

ELP/dr

cc: Mr. Victorio Rodriquez P. O. Box 211 Grants, New Mexico 87020

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CITIES SURVICE COMPANY

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TULSA, OKLAHOMA 74102

January 15, 1981

Victorio and Trinidad Rodriguez P. O. Box 211 Grants, RM 87020

RE: Joint Interest Account

Dear Sirs:

To date we have no record of receiving payment for the invoices as listed below. This covers expenses incurred on your percentage interest in the well as identified by owner number.

If payment has been made within the past few days, please disregard and accept our thanks. If you have any questions regarding the amount due, please let us know.

Amount \$1.02 \$.63 \$.72 \$.95

Please make payment to:

Cities Service Company P. O. Box 300 Tulsa, Oklahoma 74102

Attention Cash Operations

Very truly yours,

C. M. O'Connell

Credit Services Representative

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CITIES SERVICE COMPANY

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TULSA, OKLAHOMA 74102

February 23, 1981

Victorio & Trinidad Rodriguez P. O. Box 211 Grants, NM 87020

Re: Joint Interest Account #06071915 01

Past Due Balance \$6.99

Dear Sir & Hadam:

A review of your joint interest account reveals that we have neither received payment or a response to our previous letters concerning the past due balance.

We would appreciate your giving this matter your prompt attention and remitting payment so that we may bring the account back to a current status. Please make payment to:

Cities Service Company P. O. Box 300 Tulsa, Oklahoma 74102

Attention Cash Operations

If you should have any questions concerning the billings on the account, please contact me immediately.

Very truly yours,

C. M. O'Connell

Credit Services Representative

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CITIES SERVICE COMPANY BOX 300 TUESA, OKLAHOMA 74102

January 15, 1981

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Owner #	Date	Invoice #	Amount
06071915-01	05/31/80	9535	\$1.02
06071915-01	06/30/80	1938	\$.63
06071915-01	07/31/80	4355	\$.72
06071915-01	08/31/80	6835	\$.95
06071915-01	09/30/80	9412	\$.80

Please make payment to:

Cities Service Company P. O. Box 300 Tulsa, Oklahoma 74102

Attention Cash Operations

Very truly yours,

C. M. O' Connell

Credit Services Representative

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BEFORE THE NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION Santa Fe, New Mexico September 18, 1974

EXAMINER HEARING

IN THE MATTER OF:

Application of Cities Service Oil Company for compulsory pooling, Eddy County, New Mexico.

and

IN THE MATTER OF:

Application of Cities Service Oil Company for directional drilling, Eddy County, New Mexico. Case No. 5324

Case No. 5325

BEFORE: Richard L. Stamets, Examiner

TRANSCRIPT OF HEARING

APPEARANCES

For the New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission:

William Carr, Esq.
Legal Counsel for the
Commission

State Land Office Building Santa Fe, New Mexico

For the Applicant: (Cities Service)

W. Thomas Kellahin, Esq. KELLAHIN & FOX 500 Don Gaspar Santa Fe, New Mexico

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APPEARANCES (Continued):

For Michael and Corrine Grace:

Nick Franklin, Esq.
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LINES, P.A.
500 Second Street, N. W.
Albuquerque, New Mexico

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MR. STAMETS: Case 5324.

MR. CARR: Case 5324. Application of Cities Service Oil Company for compulsory pooling, Eddy County, New Mexico.

MR. KELLAHIN: If the Examiner please, I would like to consolidate Cases 5324 and 5325.

MR. STAMETS: Is there any objections to consolidation of these two cases?

If the attorney will call Case 5325, we will then consolidate them for the purposes of testimony.

MR. CARR: Case 5325. Application of Cities

Service Oil Company for directional drilling, Eddy County,

New Mexico.

MR. STAMETS: We call for appearances in Case 5321 and Case 5325.

MR. KELLAHIN: In the Examiner please, Tom
Kellahin, Kellahin and Fox, appearing on behalf of Cities
Service Oil Company. We have two altheses to be sworn.

MR. FRACKEIN: If the Examiner please, Nick Franchin, a paring for Corrine and Michael Grace.

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MR. KELLAHIN: If the Examiner please, I would like the record to reflect that I have the same two witnesses, Mr. Tom Heller and Mr. Gene Motter in these two consolidated cases as Case No. 5323, and I would move that their previous qualifications be accepted in this case.

MR. STAMETS: Any objections? The qualifications will be included in the record in these two cases.

TOM HELLER

called as a witness, having been first duly sworn, was examined and testified as follows:

DIRECT EXAMINATION

BY MR. KELLAHIN:

- Q Mr. Heller, let me direct your attention to what has been marked as Applicant's Exhibit No. 1 and have you identify that for us, please?
- A This is a map that I personally made myself of the proposed unit under the Tracy B No. 1.
- Q Would you identify for us what color code you have used?
- A The yellow acreage is Cities Service acreage.

 The red is Mr. Bob Bennett's acreage. The purple is

 Mr. Michael Grace's acreage. The gray, the majority of

 it which is in the southeast quarter is Belco's. The

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marron, I guess it is, is Mr. Barton and E. L. Latham, Jr. And brown, of which there are only two lots up in the north, is Mr. Dan Haffens and Joe Don Cook.

- Q Is this a plat of the entire ownership concerning the east half of Section 18, Township 22 South, Range 27 East, Eddy County, New Mexico?
 - A Yes, it is.
- Q In connection with Exhibit No. 1, would you now refer to what has been marked as Exhibit 2 and identify it?
- A This is a tabulation that I have made concerning the working interest owners and unleased mineral owners under the east half of Section 18.
- Q Mr. Heller, attached to the Application when it was filed for Cities Service Oil Company is an Exhibit A. Is the current Exhibit 2 a correction and amplification or an addition to that exhibit?
- A This is an amplification, a more correct copy, if not an exactly correct copy, that I have made on record check myself.
- Q May we now disregard what has been marked as Exhibit A for the Application?
 - A Yes.
 - Q Directing your attention now to Exhibit 2, the

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first column indicates that Cities Service Oil Company controls 184.28 plus acres, is that correct?

- A That is correct.
- Q What percentage is that?
- A Approximately 57 percent.
- Q In the last column of this page and subsequent page is the term, "Status." Below that column are different entries. Are all those entries correct and corresponding to the individuals names on the left margin?
 - A Yes, they are.
- Q Are there any current additions or corrections to this exhibit?
 - A Not to my knowledge.
- Q Would you please refer to what has been marked as Exhibit 3 and identify it?
- A Those are letters that I had written to Mr. Orace and various other parties in the proposed unit, asking them to join. Of course, copies of their return receipts are on these letters. I might add -- this is a copy of Mr. Grace's here -- I might add I did call their office three times and visited their office once in an attempt to get an answer from them.
 - Wr. Weller, as of this date, Wr. Grace has not

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agreed to pool his interest, has he?

- A No.
- Q I show you what has been marked as Exhibit 4. Would you identify it?
- A This is the correspondence, much of it is similar to that of Mr. Grace, written to Mr. Roy G. Barton, Jr., asking him to participate in the proposed test.
- Q And as of this date, has Mr. Barton agreed to pool his interest?
- A There is a letter in here in which Mr. Barton indicates he does not wish to join in the test.
- Q Please refer to what has been marked as Exhibit No. 5 and identify it?
- A This is the information I have written to

 Mr. Joe Don Cook, requesting him to join. A letter from

 Mr. Cook requesting an A.F.E. on this acreage which I did

 to him, and of course, the second copy does have that.
- Q As of this date, has Mr. Cook voluntarily committed his acreage to the unit?
 - A He has not.
 - Q Please identify what is marked as Fxhibit 6?
- A This is approximately exactly the same thing as written to Mr. Cook. This is written to Mr. Haffens,

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- Q As of this date has Mr. Haffens joined?
- A No.
- Q Please refer to what is marked as Exhibit 7?
- A This is a portion of the correspondence that I had with the attorney, Mr. Jerome D. Matkins, for the Carlsbad Municipal School District regarding their participation of the proposed test.
- Q What if any response do you have from the school district?
 - A They elect not to participate.
- Q Were Exhibits 1 through 7 either compiled or corresponded with you directly or through someone under your direction and control?
 - A Directly to me.

MR. KELLAHIN: I move the introduction of Exhibits 1 through 7.

MR. STAMETS: Without objections, Exhibits 1 through 7 --

MR. FRANKLIN: (Interrupting) If the Examiner please, we would reserve objections strictly on the basis of acceptance of the acreage figures and so forth, otherwise we would not object to the admission of the Exhibits.

MR. STAMETS: You are referring to the acreage shown on Exhibit 1 and the exact percentages and totals?

MR. FRANKLIN: Right.

MR. STAMETS: With those reservations being noted, the exhibits will be admitted into evidence.

(Whereupon, Applicant's Exhibits Nos. 1 through 7 were marked for identification, and were admitted into evidence.)

MR. KELLAHIN: That concludes my examination of this witness.

MR. STAMETS: Are there questions of this witness?

MR. FRANKLIN: No questions.

MR. STAMETS: I do have some questions.

CROSS EXAMINATION

BY MR. STAMETS:

Q Mr. Heller, your Exhibit No. 2 indicates a status, and on the first page you have the major interest owners listed?

A Yes.

Q And they keep getting smaller and smaller. In all of these where you say, "Letter, visits, letter, phone," that is an indication that you have made some attempt to contact these owners?

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- A That is correct. That is my mode of contact.
- Q And since there is nothing else there, I would assume that your responses have either been negative or no response?

A The majority of them -- of course, when I did first complete this list in May or a little later than that, in fact, there were a lot more visits in there. Since then, leases are coming in. They are coming in. They have come in, many of these that I have personally visited. The majority of those that I have written a letter to included a lease and a draft and no response was ever heard, and in many cases, I have written them twice.

- Q What was the date of your last correspondence?
- A I will say it would be Tuesday -- Monday -- it would be Monday.

MR. KELLAHIN: Of this week?

THE WITNESS: Of this week. I might add, I have sent out so many leases and drafts that they do come in one or two -- sometimes two a week, sometimes one a week -- but we do usually pick up 1.2 acres per week.

BY MR. STAMETS:

Q And this would still provide these persons plenty of opportunity to voluntarily agree prior to the date that

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they would be compulsorily pooled?

A I would say the majority of those letters have been written in the last two months, and of course, this last correspondence Monday, if a person did indicate that they wished to lease, I did send them a lease and a draft.

Q You said most of these people that you have listed here on the 2nd, 3rd and 4th pages of Exhibit No. 2 are familiar or unfamiliar with the workings of leasing oil and gas operations?

A Very unfamiliar.

MR. STAMETS: Are there any other questions of this witness?

MR. KELLAHIN: No, sir.

MR. STAMETS: You may be excused.

(Witness dismissed.)

E. F. MOTTER

called as a witness, having been first duly sworn, was examined and testified as follows:

DIRECT EXAMINATION BY MR. KELLAHIN:

Q Mr. Motter, would you please refer to what has been marked as Exhibit No. 8, identify it and state briefly what Cities Service is seeking here?

A Yes. That is a plat. Actually, it is a surveyor's

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plat of surface locations of the proposed Tracy B No. 1 and the proposed bottomhole location in the Morrow. Mr. Kellahin, before I go any further, I would like to make a few remarks about the fact that this is in the City of Carlsbad. It is not the first well that has been drilled in the City, however, it is the first well, to my knowledge, that has been applied or an attempt made to drill since the adoption of the Carlsbad City Ordinance 748 which was on the 12th day of July of this year. There are several of us in here, Mr. Grace, myself and others that attended several meetings that the Commission had down there. We worked with them and we tried to help them in any possible. They have what I consider one of the most rigid ordinances in the United States, however, we feel we can drill this particular well and still stay within the confines of that ordinance. There are certain things in the wording that are perhaps not entirely clear. Thio matter, I will explain a little later, and perhaps some of it may mean some additional time which is also money in the drilling of a well. I think that Cities Service, if we are allowed to drill this well in the City of Carlsbad, we will both gain some experience in operating in the City down there.

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MR. STAMETS: I take it from your statement,
Mr. Motter, that Cities Service intends to fully comply
with the new City drilling regulations?

THE WITNESS: Yes, we most certainly do, and I might also advise you that we hand-delivered on September 10th our application to the City of Carlsbad. I have a copy with me. We do not intend to make it a part of the record, but I understand that it will be acted upon soon. As of right now, to my knowledge, they have not acted on it.

PY MR. KELLAHIN:

Q What was the reason, Mr. Motter, for the preparation of Exhibit 8?

that you cannot drill within 500 feet of any surface building, structure, et cetera, and this mainly shows that we are 500 feet from the Big Sky Drive-In fence. We are 500 feet from an abandoned building with the concrete slabs still there. We are 503 feet from the curb of the highway, and I think the only other specific thing I would like to point out is that there was some consideration and fear shown at the hearings on this ordinance about schools, churches, hospitals. We are 940 feet from the

school building, 1190 feet from the church, 1103 feet from some residences. If you will note on this deal, with our proposed bottomhole location, we could not meet these requirements at that particular location. That is the purpose of deviating the hole.

Q Were there any other locations within the east half of Section 18 in which you could have complied with the surface location requirements of the ordinance?

A Well, I think perhaps there could have been if we moved clear over here to the southwest of this. You can see a blank spot down here on the southwest portion of this plat, but that would have meant we would deviate the whole — the exploration people feel we would have a better chance of establishing production at this particular location, and so that is the reason we want to go — the bottom of the well north of this present location.

Q Please refer to what has been marked as Exhibit No. 9, and identify it?

A Okay. If I may, let's take a look at both and 10 concurrently. One of those is a vertical displacement of the deviated hole. The other is the surface displacement of the deviated hole. It is our plan

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to deviate this hole approximately 1144 feet to the north. It will fall within a regular orthodox location for the Morrow formation or Pennsylvanian. For that reason. as you are aware, there is a little 330-foot square that makes it orthodox, so we have chosen a target radius of 165 feet. Our plans are to kick off at 7500 feet. We will use a hook-up of a Dynadrill with a Monel collar. We will drill, probably 60 feet, and this will be monitored at the surface through an electric wire line until we get oriented in the proper direction and get our angle built properly. After making about 60 feet, we will probably pull our wellbore out of the hole and go back in and remove the Dynadrill and go back in with a somewhat more regular assembly, although it will be a directional assembly, and we will resume rotating the drill pipe. For those of you who may not be familiar with a Dynadrill, it is a mud pump that is driven by the hydrostatic heads going through it and pump down the drill pipe. The drill pipe is not oriented. It does not rotate. These things are quite errory. Von sines they work when you get on the hotton and sometimes they don't. We have estimated -- our best estimace if everything goes right, we will exclude the this is adviat itself about

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four days, and the rent on one of these is between \$90 and \$100 an hour while it is being used.

We will continue drilling, then, building an angle at about 2 degrees per hundred until we reach an angle of 17.33 degrees and then it would be our plan to use a packed hole assembly and maintain this angle until we reach TD. We will stop in there, and we should have our angle built before we reach this, and set casing 7 and 5/8, 8850 which is required in the City Ordinance, and then pursue this angle until we get to TD.

I have shown one thing in there, and also part of this request is for an unorthodox location in the event there is production established in the Strawn.

And as you will note, on the vertical displacement, that is only 648 feet from the wellbore which makes it an orthodox location for the 320-acre spaced unit. We had considered kicking this well at a much steeper angle and letting it drift back to vertical so that both of these would be orthodox, but quite frankly, with the extreme limitations of the availability of drill pipe and so on, most contractors don't like to have a double dogleg in their hole if they can keep from it, so we ask you to give us consideration — if we establish production in the

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Strawn to give us an unorthodox location for Strawn production in the event it is established.

I really don't know much more I can tell you on those two. I would be glad to answer any questions either now or later.

Q Please refer to what has been marked as Exhibit 11 and identify it?

(Whereupon, a discussion was held off the record.)

estimate on this well is \$610,653. I would like to point out that we have a little bit stronger casing program. It is, I would say, stronger than most casing being used as required by the City Ordinance, and higher cost because of directional drilling. Because of drilling in the City, they do require a \$5 million insurance policy and \$50,000 bond. And for provisions for an inspector, you pay initially \$2000 and then — and this is one of the things that I mentioned earlier — if he deems it necessary to spend more time out there than what he feels is covered by the \$2000, he can bill us for more. It is an open end, so we don't know. Another thing, the Ordinance requires firefighting apparatus. I am not sure exactly what will

be acceptable. The blow-out equipment that is necessary, Carlsbad did change some of their earlier requirements. but it still is not what is normal in that particular area. We are going to have to rent some additional equipment. We will have to use larger accumulator equipment to operate the blow-out equipment. The mud monitoring equipment has to be more than is normal. They require a 24-hour watchman. They require a fence around the drill site while you are drilling and even a more rigid fence after you establish production. The wording on keeping the hole full on trips will require the use of trip tanks. Not too many rigs in this area have one available, so we will probably have to make one or rent one. They also require the use of steel tanks all the way through. This includes the reserve pit as well as the tank to put your cuttings in. Again, this will have to be over and above what is normally furnished by the rig. They have required what we feel is a little bit higher than necessary and weight, so there is an expense here poing higher, and also, this could be a source of problems. You may while circular break and have lost erroutarion break down to the formation. also require two tube basis and this below 8500 feet. to, basically, cont is ein mason our clo extra higher

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cost on this particular well.

- Q Would you please refer to Exhibit 12 and identify that?
- A Yes. This is a portion of the exhibit that was submitted along with the Application to the City of Carlsbad. It specifically shows the hole size to be drilled, the casing to be set, the cement. The only thing that I would point out that might be a little bit different and this is in the Ordinance on the lefthand side down below, 8850, where it says we use brine water from 8850 to 9900 and then we will increase the hydrostatic to 6200 because it says we must have that much prior to drilling below 10,000 feet. Other than that, I think it is straight forward.
- Q Are you aware of any other wells in the area in which a deviation has been attempted?
- A Not to my knowledge unless somebody deviated around junk, and this would be an intentional deviation, but not in direction. They usually just cut a whip-stop-go which ever way the well -- and this normally doesn't involve time and effort as it is required to deviate in a particular direction.
 - Q Would you please state briefly the potential

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risk involved in deviation of a well in this manner?

A Well there is quite a bit of risk. The drill pipe, of course, has to flex more often, and I might point out on the exhibit -- I believe you called it 8 -- we don't have any contract footage in there. The people we have discussed this with due to this matter of drilling a directional hole, they want to do day work all the way down, so that puts us on 63 days.

There is times, as I told you, that the Dynadrill is not going to work when you get on the bottom so that means a trip out and either replacement, clean-up and run them back. There are twist-offs with these things that happen quite frequently. Fortunately, we are not going to have to set a plug or anything to kick off. We just kick off from the bottom and we can use some regular bits. This wouldn't be exactly the type you would use in drilling because the mud pump turns at a much higher speed. We generally use diamond bits, but we don't plan to use any in this particular hole so we can keep the cost down a little bit.

- Q How would you relate the risk involved in drilling to the Morrow as opposed to drilling to other formations?
 - A Well, I don't know if I follow you, sir.

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- Q Well, is the Morrow a risky zone in which to A (Int) If we establish production?
- Q Yes, that is what I am trying to say.
- A It does have some problems, however, we think that we will be able to overcome many of the problems that have originated out there, and I think, in general, most people are able to get away with some of the problems from experience in the past now.
- Q Do you assign any potential risk to the fact that you are dilling within the City limits of Carlsbad?
- A Yes, most certainly we have some risks because, admittedly, there are things that can go wrong, and with churches, schools and so on in the neighborhood, well, we just have to face the situation. We think that all precautions are taken to prevent a blow-out or anything like this, but I think even the best efforts, man fails once in a while, and I refer to some wells in other areas where they drilled in a densely populated area where you have to evacuate people and stuff like this. Now, we hope this never happens. I think I can safely say it probably won't, but I recognize there is a problem.
 - Q Where is your well location in relation to Belco's

John Joyce dry hole?

A It is about two locations south and one west.

Also, our Merlin C is immediately south. It is a pretty sorry well as far as the Morrow is concerned.

Q Taking into consideration those factors,

Mr. Motter, what if any opinion do you have with regard
to a risk factor to be assigned in this case?

A Well, we would like to have 200 percent, the maximum on this, mainly because it is the first well in the City and we just honestly don't know what we are going to be faced with. You can see, maybe the inspector wants to be real hard-nosed and you will have to shut down half the time. Also, we are taking into consideration some of the geology in the area. I would like to point out that the well immediately east of us, the direct east offset of Antweil's, the Bear, was given a 200 percent risk factor and it is not even in the City limits.

- Q Which well was that that had a 200 percent risk factor?
- A The Antweil Bear which is immediately east of this proposed location.
 - Q Was that drilled in the Morrow?
 - A It hasn't been drilled yet. I think it is

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being spudded today. We are a partner in that well.

- Q Do you have an opinion with regard to a monthly charge, fixed rate for supervision?
- A Yes, without going into a lot of detail, I just suggest that the came procedures we are asking for the Tracy C be adopted in this case. The figures will be the same.
 - Q And that figure was \$206 per month?
 - A \$216.
- Q I am sorry. \$216. With regard to the charge to be assessed while drilling, what is that figure?
 - A \$1536, I believe.
- Q And Cities Services desires to be designated the operator?
 - A Yes, we do.
- Q Because this well is to be drilled within the City limits, do you anticipate being able to comply with the normal Commission requirements of commencing drilling the well within 90 days and having it completed within an additional 120 days?
- A If everything goes as planned and the Commission rules that this well can be drilled, we have a rig available to move in there approximately November 1st.

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Q How long will it take you to obtain the City of Carlsbad approval?

A Well, the Ordinance says that they have to give approval within 30 days, I believe, or else give us a 10-day notice and set it for hearing. They have had it since the 10th and this is the 18th. They have had 8 days to —actually, it was reviewed when it was handed to these people and it was indicated that they thought we had covered all requests.

- Q Were Exhibits 8 through 12 either prepared by you directly or under your direction and supervision?
 - A Yes, they were.
- Q In your opinion, Mr. Motter, will approval of this application be in the best interest of conservation and prevention of waste and the protection of correlative rights?
 - A Yes, it will.

MR. KELLAHIN: If the Examiner please, we move the introduction of Exhibits 8 through 12.

MR. STAMETS: Are there any objections to these exhibits? They will be so admitted.

(Whereupon, Applicant's Exhibits Nos. 8 through 12 were marked for identification, and were admitted into evidence.)

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MR. KELLAHIN: That concludes our direct examination.

MR. STAMETS: Are there any questions of this witness?

MR. FRANKLIN: Yes, we have a couple of questions.

MR. STAMETS: Mr. Franklin?

CROSS EXAMINATION

BY MR. FRANKLIN:

Q How much would you estimate the municipal ordinance has increased the cost?

A Sir, I hate to really go out on a limb. I have a figure in mind and I would be happy to give it and it is as of this date. If you recall, you don't acquire the insurance and bond until you get the permit, but we have roughly figured it is going to cost us an additional \$50,000.

You have indicated on your Exhibit No. 6 that the cost had been increased because of the City Ordinance. Is this \$50,000 figure the one you had in mind?

A You will not find it as such in there, but I can point out the items where we have included some extra money for that particular -- now, this is not for bonds, so this is everything that we think could increase the

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cost because, as an example, I am going to show you here under DST -- do you have that item? The Ordinance says that they will have an inspector every time we run a drill stem test. so we increased the mone, in there for that. Going on down, we've got contract laborers. We have added some money in there because they say 24-hour supervision and also the pushers after you reach 8850 feet. Going on down to rental of miscellaneous equipment, we put \$35,000. Some of this equipment that I described, monitoring of mud, the blow-out preventers, mud tanks and all this is included in there. This is required by the Ordinance. Miscellaneous incidentals is where I have to tell you that probably our insurance and bonding will come from there.

- Q So insurance and bonding basically is in this figure?
- A Yes, but I honestly can't tell you what it is going to be. We will find out soon, I guess.
- Q Will you provide the Commission with the name of the insurer?
- A We are bound by the Ordinance to utilize a

 New Mexico insurance agent and furnish insurance through
 this group. I don't know that we are required to furnish
 it to the Oil Commission, but if they so desire, we would

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have no question or no problem there.

- Q We would request, perhaps, and hope that the findings of the Commission would further request, since we are up against a new City Ordinance, I would very strongly request the name of the insurer be provided to the Commission.
 - A Okay.
- Q Referring to the same Exhibit, I notice that your Tracy B-1 and Tracy C cost is about a \$140,000 difference?
 - A Right.
- Q Now, is part of that increase also due to directional drilling?
- A Yes. About \$60,000 and some for directional drilling and about \$50,000 for drilling in the City.
 - © 60 and 50 is 110, and you had \$140,000.
- A I might also point out one other item here under separators, heater treater --
 - Q (Interrupting) Yes.
- A We have \$44,000 where we had \$22,000 on the Tracy B, and that is an anticipation of perhaps a dual completion, and we don't have a dual in the Tracy C.
- Q On the Tracy C, the contract drilling, combining the contract drilling, the rotary work and the rig work

and so forth, the Tracy C is \$10,000 lower than on the Tracy B-1?

A I think I can explain that. As you will note on the contract drilling, that is on a footage basis for \$12.25 a foot, and in the case of the Tracy B, it is all on regular day work, 63 days, at \$200 a day, but then you will have the directional drilling over and above that.

Q You did say that you would have to go to another kind of rig because of the Ordinance and its stricter requirements?

A No, sir. We don't have to go to another type of rig. Some of the container equipment will have to be stronger where it will stand more pressure than normally used in the area.

MR. FRANKLIN: Our client would want us to make a statement on the record that he felt the risk factor was well proven this time.

(Whereupon, a discussion was held off the record.)

MR. STAMETS: That concludes your examination,
Mr. Franklin?

MR. FRANKLIN: Yes, sir.

CROSS EXAMINATION

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BY MR. STAMETS:

Q Mr. Motter, do you anticipate that you might need an administrative procedure to extend the start date on this particular well at least once over the 90 days because of the City problems?

A Yes. There is a possibility of that, however, we think that we have all this taken into account. I don't know whether you are familiar with what we call a "first diagram," but I have one on this particular well and the critical path is marked along the top and shows a spud date of November 1st, and all these other little lines are the things we have to do like getting the City's permission and all that.

MR. KELLAHIN: Regardless of that fact,
Mr. Examiner, we would appreciate an administrative proceeding whereby we can obtain at least one continuance of the 90-day drilling date upon written application.

MR. STAMETS: I would suggest that such an application be at one of the regular Commission meetings held on Tucsday of each week and representatives of Cities Service, such as their attorney, make the application orally to avoid having to notify each of the individuals here.

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MR. KELLAHIN: That would be satisfactory.

THE WITNESS: If I could enter a word, I think
this is an excellent idea because this is programmed on
the fact that we would have no problem with the rig that
is coming from another well and they might be on this well
longer than anticipated. This is programmed for everything
to go just as we planned.

BY MR. STAMETS:

Now, Mr. Motter, I notice from Exhibit No. 2 and Exhibit No. 1 that there is City land, school land, a lot of privately owned acreage in here and we have discussed that people are unsophisticated so far as the oil and gas industry goes. Do you think it appropriate to apply a 200 percent risk factor to people who don't really understand the situation and are not properly able to make up their minds as to whether they want to risk their capital in this venture?

A Mr. Examiner, I am in agreement with you. I don't know how to educate these people, whether to gather them up — I honestly don't know. I talked to you recently about some things we have been involved in, and I think we know what is going on, but there have been some things get by us which we didn't particularly like.

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Q Also the schools and the City, do you think they would really be able to get the money to participate if they even wanted to?

A Well, that, I really can't tell you on that particular item. Sure, they are probably on a budget and things of this nature would have to be budgeted. I am going to make a little bit of a facetious statement right now, but the School Board met and conisdered this, and we did not attend the School Board meeting, but we do have a copy of the papers that a writer or reporter attended the meeting, and reported in the Carlsbad paper that they preferred to wait and see whether we got a well to make up their mind whether they wanted to participate or not.

Now, I wish that opportunity was afforded all of us in this rcom.

Q There might be some necessity in this case to balance the risk which you testified to against, as I said, the sophisitication and situation of the various small interest owners in the tract?

MR. KELLAHIN: I would prefer to keep the risk factor at 200 percent assessed against all individuals regardless of how complicated this kind of matter is. I can relate it to my own situation. The I.R.S. doesn't give

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me this kind of consideration, and I don't understand the I.R.S. regulations. The City of Carlsbad and the schools apparently have counsel. There is a letter from an attorney. If he doesn't know the law or doesn't understand it, he is in a position where I think he can find somebody that does, but I think it is appropriate to assess it on an equal basis against everyone.

THE WITNESS: If I may state -- I don't mean to talk against my attorney, but my personal opinion on this is where do you start discrimination?

BY MR. STAMETS:

- Q You mentioned the Antweil Bear Well is one with a 200 percent risk factor that was assessed. To your knowledge, were all the working interests in there familiar with oil and gas operations?
- A Yes, I think I know them all and I think they were.
 - Q Is there any reason you left the Atoka out?
- A Yes, mainly because I don't think, or our geologists don't think there is any Atoka in this particular area or location.

MR. STAMETS: Are there any other questions of this witness? He may be excused.

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(Witness dismissed.)

MR. STAMETS: Is there anything further in this case?

MR. KELLAHIN: No, sir.

MR. STAMETS: If there is nothing further, we will take the case under advisement.

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STATE OF NEW MEXICO)
) SS.
COUNTY OF SANTA FE)

I, RICHARD L. NYE, Court Reporter, do hereby certify that the foregoing and attached Transcript of Hearing before the New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission was reported by me, and the same is a true and correct record of the said proceedings, to the best of my knowledge, skill and ability.

COLUMN DEPONDED

I do hereby certify that the foregoing is a complete record of the proceedings in the Examiner hearing of Case No.

New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission

Carlshad, new mexico Sept. 2, 1977

Dear Ser!

after tolking to you on the Telephone
a Few Days ago, and you advise me to
Write and send you all the Information
about the well.
Being a working Interest owner the
last Letter, along with the Drilling
well estimate, They sent me July 22,
1975, is about all the Information I
have, so I enclose a copy of each.
looking to hear From you soon
Very Truly yours

Trustees of Church of god in Christ
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July 22, 1975

Case 5324

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3. Directional Drilling

It was extremely difficult to maintain the desired angle to bottom the hole in the "target area". This required considerably more Dynadrill runs, rotary time, supervision and equipment rental. The major directional costs were:

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4. Drilling Under Restriction of City of Carlsbad Ordinance No. 748

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The entire location was fenced with a chain link fence complete with locked gates but did not provide adequate security. A security guard was used on a 24 hour basis after the rotary was moved, which was not included in the original estimate.

This explanation for overrun of the original Detailed Well Estimate could be explained in more detail; therefore, if you have any further questions on this matter, please advise.

Very truly yours,

E. F. Motter
Engineering Manager
Southwest Region
E & P Division

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DETAILED WELL ESTIMATE

WELL NUMBER 1	LEASETracy-B
CONTRACTOR	LOCATION 2180' FSL, 520' FEL
July 8, 1975	SECTION 18, T-22-S, R-27-E
I. O. NO DEPTH	COUNTY RIGHT STATE New Mexico

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10-3/4" 40.5# K-55 ST&C	A		1,255		12,428	12,428		7,63
7-5/8" 26.4# N-80 LTGC	A		3,422		50,000	5,500		21,5.
7-5/8" 29.7# N-80 LTGC	Α		3,029		29,500	15,000		59,31
7-5/8" 33.7# N-80 LTGC	A		2,633		29,373	29,375		22,1
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Carlobad, new mexico Sept. 2, 1977

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Being a working Interest owner the last Letter along with the Drilling well estimate They sent me, July 22, 1975 is about all the Information & have so I enclose a lopy of lach, looking to hear from you soon Very Truly yours

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New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission Orders R-4866 and R-4868 South, Carlsbad Morrow Pool Eddy County, New Mexico

The entire location was fenced with a chain link fence complete with locked gates but did not provide adequate security. A security guard was used on a 24 hour basis after the rotary was moved, which was not included in the original estimate.

This explanation for overrun of the original Detailed Well Estimate could be explained in more detail; therefore, if you have any further questions on this matter, please advise.

Very truly yours,

E. F. Motter
Engineering Manager
Southwest Region

E & P Division

EFM:mfg

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DETAILED WELL ESTIMATE

		Tracy-B	
CONTRACTOR	LOCATION	2180' FSL, 520' FEL	
		18, T-22-S, R-27-E	
		liddy state	New Maxico

DESCRIPTION	GRADE	SIZE	QUAN.	w	ESTIMATE PRODUCER	ESTIMATE DRY HOLE	REVISED ESTIMATE	ACTUAL COST
TANGIBLES		l						
Casing 16" 65# 11-40 ST&C	A	 	355		6,600	6,600		1,78
10-3/4" 40.5# H-40 ST&C	A		1,745		18,092	18,092		11,6.
10-3/4" 40.5# K-55 STEC	A		1,255		12,428	12,428		7,63
7-5/8" 26.4# N-80 LTGC	A		3,422		30,000	5,500		21,5.8
7-5/8" 29.7# N-80 LTGC	Λ		3,029		29,500	15,000		59 ,31
7-5/8" 33.7# N-80 LT&C	A		2,633		29,373	29,373		59,31 22,33
5-1/2" 19.81# N-80 LT&C	Λ		3,500		27,344	-		-
5" 17.93# N-80 SEJ-P	A		3,208		-	-		30,61.
Well head connections	Λ				11,500	1,500		19,978
Tubing 2-7/8" 6.4# N-80 AB Mod. Sucker rods	A]	1,300		22,600	_		40,388
Bottom hole pump	1	-	 		 			
Pkr. & Tbg. Access.	Λ	<u> </u>	-		5,000	-		4,24.
Engine or motor	1		 		1			
Pumping unit								
Electrical equip. inc. Labor & Trans.		l						
Line pipe, fittings mexicobex & Trows	Λ				-	-		4,517
TANK BATTERY	-	ļ	 				·	
Stock tanks	A	310	4		14,000			7,601
G. B., settler, free water K. O. tank	- ^	310			14,000	<u> </u>		7,500.1
Separator, heater treater, etc.	$+_{\Lambda}$	 	2		44,000			18,735
Cost to install T. B.	1	 			5,000			3,585
INTANGIBLES			ļ	<u> </u>				
Contract Drlg. labor (footage)		ļ	 	ļ	1 -0 - 600	170 (00	 	5 P P 19 1
Rotary day work \$2200/Day - 63 Days Cable tool work		 			138,000	138,600		257,31
Subsurface casing equipment	· _, -	 	 	 	6 500	3,000	-	15,540
D. S. T., electric logs, etc.	A	ļ	 	ļ	6,500			24,070
Completion Unit		 -	 	 	8,400			8,50
Acidizing, fracing		 	 		3,000	ļ		8,12
Perforating		 	 		2,500	l		5,120
MIRO, RD & MOR	-	 	 	 -	2,300	i — —	 	16,000
1	-	 	 	 	 			10,0
Misc. company and contract labor		1	 		7,000	5,000	ļ ———	143,073
Road building, location	_	1		ļ	10,000			17,05
		†	 		1 1000	10,10	1	
Cement & cementing service		1	T		15,000	13,000		19,241
Cement squeeze jobs		1		<u> </u>	1	1	<u> </u>	1 22 22 22 22 22 22 22 22 22 22 22 22 22
Drilling mud, chemicals	1			1	20,000	20,000		62,463
Drilling bits, coreheads, reamers	_	1	1		60,716			52 47.
Mud legging unit		1		Γ	6,500			8,581
Rental of miscellaneous equip. Inc. Dir.	lquir)			35,000			147,70.
Company, contract hauling		 	-		7,000	5,000		7,005
Water, fuel		-	 	 	6,000			11,51
Miscellaneous incidentals			-	 	$\frac{1}{12,000}$			1,67
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Total estimated cost - 100%	-	 	1	 	610,653	416.309		1,016,26
Total estimate C. S. %		1	 	1	582,280			

OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION P. O. BOX 2088 SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO 87501

September 7, 1977

Cities Service Oil Company
F. O. Box 1919
Midland, Texas 79701

Attention: Mr. E. F. Motter

Re: Commission Order No. R-4866

Gentlemen:

Reference is made to Commission Order No. R-4866, which pooled the E/2 of Section 18, Township 22 South, Range 27 East, NMPM, South Carlsbad Field, Eddy County, New Mexico, to be dedicated to your Tracy "B" Com Well No. 1, the surface location of which is in Unit I of said Section 18.

The Commission has received an inquiry from one of the parties pooled by this order concerning the current status of the working interests underlying two tracts. He, Mr. Samuel Alexander, is inquiring both for himself as the owner of the minerals underlying Southridge Subdivision Block 8, Lot 33, which contains 0.426187 acres, and as a trustee of the Church of God in Christ, Inc., which owns the minerals underlying Davis Subdivision Block B, Lot 11, which contains 0.215306 acres.

The last correspondence which Mr. Alexander received from Cities Service Oil Company was your letter of July 22, 1975, explaining the overruns in drilling this well. According to Mr. Alexander, subsequent attempts to obtain a production and payout status accounting have been unsuccessful.

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Please furnish Mr. Alexander, whose address is 2817 Davis Street, Carlsbad, New Mexico 88220, with an up-to-date accounting of his interest and the church's interest and send a carbon copy to this office. It might be well to also provide Mr. Alexander with an estimate as to when these interest's share of well costs will be paid out if they have not already been paid, so that he and the church trustees will have some idea as to when they might expect to receive some revenues from the well and how much it might be.

We realize that due to being within the city limits of Carlsbad and also due to having to be directionally drilled, the well was very expensive and that the non-participating working interest owners may not yet be paid out. However, we do feel that Mr. Alexander should receive an up-to-date accounting at this time.

Very truly yours,

DANIEL S. NUTTER Chief Engineer

DSN/fd

cc: Mr. Samuel Alexander 2817 Davis Street Carlsbad, New Mexico 88220

Case File 5324

BEFORE THE OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO

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

CASE NO. 5324 Order No. R-4866

APPLICATION OF CITIES SERVICE OIL COMPANY 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 September 18, 1974, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner Richard L. Stamets.

NOW, on this 9th day of October, 1974, 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, Cities Service Oil Company, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests in the Pennsylvanian formation underlying the E/2 of Section 18, Township 22 South, Range 27 East, NMPM, South Carlsbad Field, Eddy County, New Mexico.
- (3) That the applicant has the right to drill and proposes to drill a well at an unorthodox surface location 2045 feet from the South line and 479 feet from the East line of said Section 18.
- (4) That there are interest owners in the proposed proration unit who have not agreed to pool their interests.
- (5) That to avoid the drilling of unnecessary wells, to protect correlative rights, and to afford to the owner of each interest in said unit the opportunity to recover or receive without unnecessary expense his just and fair share of the gas in said pool, the subject application should be approved by pooling all mineral interests, whatever they may be, within said unit.
- (6) That the applicant should be designated the operator of the subject well and unit.

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- (7) That any non-consenting working interest owner should be afforded the opportunity to pay his share of estimated well costs to the operator in lieu of paying his share of reasonable well costs out of production.
- (8) That any non-consenting working interest owner that does not pay his share of estimated well costs should have withheld from production his share of the reasonable well costs plus an additional 200 percent thereof as a reasonable charge for the risk involved in the drilling of the well.
- (9) That any non-consenting interest owner should be afforded the opportunity to object to the actual well costs but that actual well costs should be adopted as the reasonable well costs in the absence of such objection.
- (10) That following determination of reasonable well costs, any non-consenting working interest owner that has paid his share of estimated costs should pay to the operator any amount that reasonable well costs exceed estimated well costs and should receive from the operator any amount that paid estimated well costs exceed reasonable well costs.
- (11) That \$1536.00 per month is hereby fixed as a reasonable charge for supervision (combined fixed rates) while drilling, and that \$216.00 per month should be fixed as a reasonable charge for supervision while producing, provided that the producing supervision charge should be adjusted annually on the first day of April of each year. That the operator should be authorized to withhold from production the proportionate share of such supervision charge attributable to each non-consenting working interest, and in addition thereto, the operator should be authorized to withhold from production the proportionate share of actual expenditures required for operating the subject well, not in excess of what are reasonable, attributable to each non-consenting working interest.
- (12) That all proceeds from production from the subject well which are not disbursed for any reason should be placed in escrow to be paid to the true owner thereof upon demand and proof of ownership.
- (13) That upon the failure of the operator of said pooled unit to commence drilling of the well to which said unit is dedicated on or before January 1, 1975, the order pooling said unit should become null and void and of no effect whatsoever.
- (14) That an administrative procedure should be established to permit a delay in the required date of commencement set forth in Finding No. (13) above for good cause shown.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

(1) That all mineral interests, whatever they may be, in the Pennsylvanian formation underlying the E/2 of Section 18,

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Township 22 South, Range 27 East, NMPM, South Carlsbad Field, Eddy County, New Mexico, are hereby pooled to form a standard 320-acre gas spacing and promation unit to be dedicated to a well to be drilled at an unorthodox surface location 2045 feet from the South line and 479 feet from the East line of said Section 18.

PROVIDED HOWEVER, that the operator of said unit shall commence the drilling of said well on or before the 1st day of January, 1975, and shall thereafter continue the drilling of said well with due diligence to a depth sufficient to test the Pennsylvanian formation;

PROVIDED FURTHER, that in the event said operator does not commence the drilling of said well on or before the 1st day of January, 1975, Order (1) of this order shall be null and void and of no effect whatsoever;

PROVIDED FURTHER, that for good cause shown, the Secretary-Director of the Commission may grant an extension of time in which to commence said well of up to 90 days.

PROVIDED FURTHER, that should said well not be drilled to completion, or abandonment, within 120 days after commencement thereof, said operator shall appear before the Commission and show cause why Order (1) of this order should not be rescinded.

- (2) That Cities Service Oil Company is hereby designated the operator of the subject well and unit.
- (3) That after the effective date of this order and within 30 days prior to commencing said well, the operator shall furnish the Commission and each known working interest owner in the subject unit an itemized schedule of estimated well costs.
- (4) That within 30 days from the date the schedule of estimated well costs is furnished to him, any non-consenting working interest owner shall have the right to pay his share of estimated well costs to the operator in lieu of paying his share of reasonable well costs out of production, and that any such owner who pays his share of estimated well costs as provided above shall remain liable for operating costs but shall not be liable for risk charges.
- (5) That the operator shall furnish the Commission and each known working interest owner an itemized schedule of actual well costs within 90 days following completion of the well; that if no objection to the actual well costs is received by the Commission and the Commission has not objected within 45 days following receipt of said schedule, the actual well costs shall be the reasonable well costs; provided however, that if there is an objection to actual well costs within said 45-day period the Commission will determine reasonable well costs after public notice and hearing.

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- (6) That within 60 days following determination of reasonable well costs, any non-consenting working interest owner that has paid his share of estimated costs in advance as provided above shall pay to the operator his pro rata share of the amount that reasonable well costs exceed estimated well costs and shall receive from the operator his pro rata share of the amount that estimated well costs exceed reasonable well costs.
- (7) That the operator is hereby authorized to withhold the following costs and charges from production:
 - (A) The pro rata share of reasonable well costs attributable to each non-consenting working interest owner who has not paid his share of estimated well costs within 30 days from the date the schedule of estimated well costs is furnished to him.
 - (B) As a charge for the risk involved in the drilling of the well, 200 percent of the pro rata share of reasonable well costs attributable to each non-consenting working interest owner who has not paid his share of estimated well costs within 30 days from the date the schedule of estimated well costs is furnished to him.
- (8) That the operator shall distribute said costs and charges withheld from production to the parties who advanced the well costs.
- (9) That \$1536.00 per month is hereby fixed as a reasonable charge for supervision (combined fixed rates) while drilling, and that \$216.00 per month is hereby fixed as a reasonable charge for supervision while producing, provided that this latter rate shall be adjusted on the first day of April of each year following the effective date of this order; that the adjustment shall be computed by multiplying the rate currently in use by the percentage increase or decrease in the average weekly earnings of Crude Petroleum and Gas Production Workers for the last calendar year compared to the preceding calendaryyear as shown by "The Index of Average Weekly Earnings of Crude Petroleum and Gas Production Workers" as published by the United States Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, and the adjusted rate shall be the rates currently in use, plus or minus the computed adjustment; that the operator is hereby authorized to withhold from production the proportionate share of such supervision charge attributable to each non-consenting working interest, and in addition thereto, the operator is hereby authorized to withhold from production the proportionate share of actual expenditures required for operating such well, not in excess of what are reasonable, attributable to each non-consenting working interest.

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- (10) That any unsevered mineral interest shall be considered a seven-eighths (7/8) working interest and a one-eighth (1/8) royalty interest for the purpose of allocating costs and charges under the terms of this order.
- (11) That any well costs or charges which are to be paid out of production shall be withheld only from the working interests share of production, and no costs or charges shall be withheld from production attributable to royalty interests.
- (12) That all proceeds from production from the subject well which are not disbursed for any reason shall be placed in escrow in Eddy County, New Mexico, to be paid to the true owner thereof upon demand and proof of ownership; that the operator shall notify the Commission of the name and address of said escrow agent within 90 days from the date of this order.
- (13) 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.

STATE OF NEW MEXICO
OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

I.R. TRUJILLO, Chairman

ALEX J. ARMIJO, Member

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

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CITIES SERVICE OIL COMPANY

ME CONSCRIVATIONS CO

Box 1919 Midland, Texas 79701 Telephone: 915 684-7131

November 18, 1974

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

Attention: Mr. R. L. Stametz

Gentlemen:

The attached letter and drilling well estimate was sent to each known Working Interest Owner in the E/2 Section 18, T22S, R27E, Eddy County, New Mexico.

Cities Service has been successful in leasing minerals which were not leased at the time of the hearing before the NMOCC on October 9, 1974. As a matter of interest, Cities sent forty-three (43) letters to town lot owners who, according to our records, had not leased their minerals on October 22, 1974 (copy to NMOCC). Response was as follows: one (1) lease to Cities Service, fourteen (14) returned - no forwarding address and twenty-eight (28) - no response.

It is anticipated we will be able to move to this location about mid-December 1974. All approvals have been obtained from the City of Carlsbad for the drilling of Tracy B No. 1.

Also enclosed, as per your request, is an article taken from the Carlsbad Current-Argus relating to Cities acquiring a lease from the Carlsbad Board of Education.

E. F. Motter

Manager - Engineering

Southwest Region E & P Division

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Enclosures



CITIES SERVICE OIL COMPANY

Box 1919 Midland, Texas 79701 Telephone: 915 684-7131

November 18, 1974

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

> Re: Compulsory Pooling E/2 Section 18, T22S, R27E, NMPM, South Carlsbad Field, Eddy County, New Mexico Dedicated to Cities Service 0il Company's Tracy B No. 1

Gentlemen:

Attached hereto is a Drilling Well Estimate for the Cities Service Tracy B No. 1 located 2045' FSL, 479' FEL, Section 13, T22S, R27E, NMPM, Eddy County, New Mexico Proration unit dedicated to the well will be composed of the F/2 of Section 18 as provided in NMOCC Order R-4866. Copies of this letter along with the drilling well estimate are being sent to each known Working Interest Owner on subject well (address list attached).

NMOCC Order R-4868 authorizes the directional drilling of subject well to an orthodox bottomhole location for the Morrow formation.

Very truly yours,

E. F. Motter

Manager - Engineering Southwest Region

E & P Division

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Attachments

REVISED BY: MIKE DANIEL

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12-44 (Rev. 12-72) Cities Service Uil Company DETAILED WELL ESTIMATE LEASE - WELL NO. ____Tracy B #1 _____ DATE _____7/29/74 LOCATION Sur. Loc: 2180' FSL 520' FEL; BHLoc: 2145' FNL, 825' FEL PROP. DEPTH 12150' S 18 T 22S R 27E COUNTY Eddy STATE N. M. AFE NO. DESCRIPTION GRADE SIZE PRODUCER ESTIMATE DRY HOLE REVISEG ESTIMATE COST QUAN. w Dual TANGIBLES Casing Surface 16" 65# H-40 ST&C 355 6600 6600 A 10-3/4" 40.5# H-40 ST&C 1745 18092 18092 A 10-3/4" 40.5# K-55 ST&C 1255 12428 12428 A 7-5/8" 26.4# N-80 LT&C 7-5/8" 29.7# N-80 LT&C Α 3422 30000 5500 29500 A 3029 15000 7-5/8" 33.7# N-80 LT&C 29373 29373 A 2633 5-1/2" 19.81# N-80 LT&C 3500 27344 A 1500 11500 Well head connections A 2-7/8" 6.4# N-80 11300 22600 A Tubing Sucker rods Bottom hale pump Engine or motor Pumping unit Electrical equip. incl. Labor & Trans. Line pipe, fittings incl. Labor & Trans. Packer and TBG Accessories 5000 A TANK BATTERY 310 14000 A 4 Stock tanks 44000 Separator, heater treater, dehydrator A 2 Meter run and housing 5000 Labor & transportation INTANGIBLES Contract drilling labor Rotory day work \$2200/Day - 63 Days 138600 | 138600 Service rig work \$600/Day - 14 Days 8400 Subsurface casing equipment 6500 3000 D. S. T., electric, radicactivity logs, ect. 17000 17000 3000 Acidizing, fracing Perforating 2500 5000 7000 Misc. company and contract labor Road building, location 10000 10000 Cement and cementing service 15000 13000 Cement squeeze jobs 20000 20000 Drilling mud, chemicals Diamond-coring & analyses, bits, recmers, Dirc. Equip. 60716 60716 6500 6500 Mud logging unit Rental of miscellaneous equip. 31000 35000 Contract hauling 7000 5000 6000 6000 Water, fuel 12000 12000 Miscelleneous incidentals

Total estimated cost - 100% - U.S. Dollars

Schools Will Lease Land To Oil Firm

Carlsbad's Board of Education last night voted to enter into a lease agreement with Cities Service Oil Company for the latter to utilize 5.3 acres of school district land for gas drilling purposes.

The issue surfaced some months ago and the school board turned down a lease agreement offering the school district \$300 an acre and a royalty share if the well is a producer.

The new agreement gives the school district \$350 per acre and three-sixteenths royalties of the value of oil and gas produced at the wellhead. The 5.3 acres is a portion of the 320-acre pool required for gas drilling and is located south of Carlsbad on vacant land.

Correspondence from the New Mexico Oil and Gas Commission was the deciding factor for the board to enter into the agreement. Under New Mexico oil and gas regulations, only the majority of a 320-acre site (161 acres) need be acquired by an approved company. The remainder of the land can be pooled without the landowner's consent, according to school district attorney Jerry Matkins.

ADDRESS LIST WORKING INTEREST OWNERS

Tracy B No. 1

R. C. Bennett 102 Permian Building Midland, Texas 79701

R. G. Barton, Jr. & E. L. Latham, Jr. P. O. Box 978
Hobbs, New Mexico 88240

Belco Petroleum Corporation Wilco Building Midland, Texas 79701

Beren Corporation 1130 Vickers KSB and T Building Wichita, Kansas 67202 Attn: Robert M. Beren

Joe Don Cook P. O. Box 159 Roswell, New Mexico 88201

Michael Grace National Parks Highway Carlsbad, New Mexico 88220

Dan L. Hannifin P. O. Box 182 Roswell, New Mexico £8201

E. C. Paine, Tom R. Caviness and Sallie L. Caviness, Aulton W. Hefner and Frances L. Hefner % E. C. Paine Box 1718 Carlsbad, New Mexico 88220

Mrs. Maria Contreros 204 Peach Tree Carlsbad, New Mexico 88220

Mr. Juan Saribia 210 Peach Tree Carlsbad, New Mexico 88220

Mrs. E. M. Navarrette 1413 W. Bronson Carlsbad, New Mexico 88220

ADDRESS LIST WORKING INTEREST OWNERS Tracy B No. 1

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Mr. Thomas Granger 2404 Avenue B Carlsbad, New Mexico 88220

Mr. Meliton Fierro Box 922 Carlsbad, New Mexico 88220

Mr. Armando Larez
"J" Grocery
South Canal Street
Carlsbad, New Mexico 88220

Mr. Fred R. Williams Box 269 Carlsbad, New Mexico 88220

Mrs. Margie McBeth 319 Peach Tree Carlsbad, New Mexico 88220

Mr. Alberto Mendoza Box 846 Carlsbad, New Mexico 88220

Mrs. Polly C. Frazier Rt. 7, Box 62 Conroe, Texas 77301

Mrs. Lela Bell Giddens 2602 Carver Carlsbad, New Mexico 88220

Mr. Manuel Juarez 214 Plum Street Carlsbad, New Mexico 88220

Mr. Joe C. Sarabia 210 Plum Street Carlsbad, New Mexico 88220

Mr. Canuto Salcido 206 Plum Street Carlsbad, New Mexico 88220

Carlsbad National Bank Trust Department Carlsbad, New Mexico 88220

ADDRESS LIST WORKING INTEREST OWNERS Tracy B No. 1

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Trustees of Church of God in Christ 2817 Davis Street Carlsbad, New Mexico 88220

Mr. Harmon N. Colley 2306 Carver Carlsbad, New Mexico 88220

Mr. Frank Valenzuela 2312 Algerita Carlsbad, New Mexico 88220

Mr. Hugh Gustas Carlsbad, New Mexico 88220

Mrs. Lobelia King Corner of Carver and Plum Streets Carlsbad, New Mexico 88220

Mr. Eugene O. Rodriques 2205 Carver Carlsbad, New Mexico 88220

Mr. Kuben Fernandez 320 Etter Street Carlsbad, New Mexico 88220

Trustees of Rice Memorial (CME) Church 2601 Carver Carlsbad, New Mexico 88220

Mr. James H. Orgain 2609 Carver Carlsbad, New Mexico 88220

Mr. Henry Burgett 1111 North 8th Carlsbad, New Mexico 88220

Mr. Ezequil D. Hernandez 520 Virginia NE Albuquerque, New Mexico 87108

Mr. Calvin Ross Box 769 Carlsbad, New Mexico 88220

ADDRESS LIST WORKING INTEREST OWNERS Tracy B No. 1 Page 4

Salvador Navarrette 2907 Carver Carlsbad, New Mexico 88220

Mr. Amador Alvarez 2908 Carver Carlsbad, New Mexico 88220

Mrs. Marie Jennings 2520 San Jose Blvd. Carlsbad, New Mexico 88220

Mr. Frank Giddens Corner of Carver and Etter Streets Carlsbad, New Mexico 88220

Mr. Bicente Almanza Grants, New Mexico 87020

Mr. Cruz Molinar 6224 South 3rd Phoenix, Arizona 85041

Mr. Benito Fierro 1804 Carver Carlsbad, New Mexico 88220

Mr. Sam Alexander Corner of Carver and Davis Carlsbad, New Mexico 88220

Mr. Robert L. Cummins 2302 N. Florez Drive Tucson, Arizona 85705

Mr. Alvaro H. Molinar 306 Monclair Carlsbad, New Mexico 88220

Mrs. Roxie Doyle Corner of San Jose and Monclair Carlsbad, New Mexico 88220

Mr. Fernando Renteria, Jr. Prices Dairy Carlsbad, New Mexico 88220

Mrs. Evelyn Ford Box 236 Dexter, New Mexico 88230

ADDRESS LIST WORKING INTEREST OWNERS Tracy B No. 1

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Mr. Allen De Pew 1106 Normandy Carlsbad, New Mexico 88220

Mrs. Jullean Harkness Box 71 Loving, New Mexico 88256

Latin American Assemblies of God Corner of Kircher and Ridgeway Carlsbad, New Mexico 88220



CITIES SERVICE OIL COMPANY

Box 1919 Midland, Texas 79701 Telephone: 915 684-7131

October 29, 1974

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

Attention: Mr. R. L. Stamets

Re: New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission Order R-4866

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Gentlemen:

Attached is a copy of a letter which has been sent to all known potential working interest owners in the E/2 Section 18, 22-S, 27-E, Eddy County, New Mexico, which was compulsory pooled by Commission Order R-4866. Proration unit will be dedicated to the Cities Tracy-B No. 1.

As a matter of interest, the Carlsbad Municipal School Board has elected to lease their five plus acre tract to Cities Service.

very carly yours

E. F. Motter Engineering Manager Southwest Region E & P Division

EFM:mfg

Enc.



CITIES SERVICE OIL COMPANY

Box 1919 Midland, Texas 79701 Telephone: 915 684-7131

RE: Proposed Cities #1 Tracy '8'
11,700' Morrow-Strawn Test
SE NE Section 18, 22S 27E
Eddy County, New Mexico

Dear

We propose to drill in the very near future an 11,700' Morrow-Strawn Test in the E/2 of Section 18, 22S 27E, Eddy County, New Mexico. The estimated cost to drill and complete this well as a dual producer is \$610,653. A dry hole is estimated to cost \$416,309.

As you are the owner of an estimated acre mineral interest in the proration unit covering the E/2 of Section 18, we request that you join Cities in the drilling of this proposed test. We estimate your mineral interest covers of the proration unit.

in the event you do elect to join with us, your estimated share of the cost of completing this well as a producer is and as a dry hole A producing well could return your costs plus a profit, however, a dry hole will return none of your investment.

If you do not elect to join, Cities Service and the other working interest owners will pay your share of the well costs. If the well is a producer we will recover your costs plus 200%, as set by the New Mexico Cil Conservation Commission Order No. R-4866, at which time you will become a participant and share in the production.

Please let us hear from you in this matter and if you elect to join we will forward the necessary instruments for your signature. Please do not hesitate to call the undersigned collect should you have any questions.

Yours truly,

CITIES SERVICE OIL COMPANY

Thomas Heller Landman



OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

STATE OF NEW MEXICO P. U. BUX 2088 - SANTA PE 87501

October 9, 1974

L. R. TRUJILLO CHAIRMAN

LAND COMMISSIONER
ALEY LABMIN

STATE GEOLOGIST
A. L. PORTER, JR.
SECRETARY - DIRECTOR

Mr. Tom Kellahin Kellahin & Fox Attorneys at Law Post Office Box 1769 Santa Fe, New Mexico Re: CASE NO. 3-24 ORDER NO. 3-4864, 3-4864, 3-4865, 3-4866 and 3-4868 Applicant:

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, Jr. Secretary-Director

Copy of order also sent to:

Hobbs OCC
Artesia OCC
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Oil Conservation Commission State of New Mexico Santa Fe, New Mexico 875Cl

Case Nos. 5324 and 5325

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Gentlemen:

On September 18, 1974 this law firm represented Mr. Michael P. Grace and Mrs. Corinne Grace at a hearing before the Commission. Your hearing office was considering the application of Cities Service Oil Company for compulsory pooling of properties in Eddy County, New Mexico, which were the subject of the above referenced case numbers.

During the process of the hearing, the question of what percent the Commission should set as a reasonable charge for the risk involved in the drilling of the well was raised. CITCO requested that 200% be set and indicated that other wells in the area, including that of Morris R. Antwell, had been set at 200%, and therefore, was very reasonable.

In reviewing the past history on this matter, we find that in the application of Morris R. Antwell, case no. 5215, and the subsequent order, order no. R-4772, that in fact, a 150% charge for the risk involved in the drilling of the well was approved by the Commission. We bring this to the attention of the Commission so that it might take this matter into account when it makes its finding and issues its order with regard to the above referenced case numbers 5324 and 5325.

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Dockets Nos. 29-74 and 30-74 are tentatively set for hearing on October 2 and October 16, 1974. Applications for hearing must be filed at least 22 days in advance of hearing date.

DOCKET: EXAMINER HEARING - WEDNESDAY - SEPTEMBER 18, 1974

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 Daniel S. Nutter, Alternate Examiner:

- ALLOWABLE: (1) Consideration of the allowable production of gas from seventeen prorated pools in Lea, Eddy, Roosevelt, and Chaves Counties, New Mexico, for October, 1974;
 - (2) Consideration of the allowable production of gas from five prorated pools in San Juan, Rio Arriba, and Sandoval Counties, New Mexico, for October, 1974;

CASE 5288: (Continued from the August 7, 1974, Examiner Hearing)

Application of Merrion & Bayless for downhole commingling, San Juan County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for the downhole commingling of hydrocarbon production from the top of the Gallup formation at 5434 feet to the base of the Dakota formation at 6570 feet in its Keeling Federal Well No. 1 located in limit B of Section 20, Township 25 North, Range 8 West, Dufers Point-Dakota Pool, San Juan County, New Mexico.

CASE 5313: Application of El Paso Natural Gas Company for downhole commingling, San Juan County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for the downhole commingling of Aztec-Pictured Cliffs and Blanco-Mesaverde production in the wellbore of its Ludwick Well No. 11 located in Unit B of Section 9, Township 30 North, Range 10 West, San Juan County, New Mexico.

CASE 5292: (Continued from the August 7, 1974, Examiner Hearing)

In the matter of the hearing called by the Oil Conservation Commission on its own motion to permit El Paso Natural Gas Company, United States Fidelity and Guaranty Co., and all other interested parties to appear and show cause why each of the following wells should not be plugged and abandoned in accordance with a Commission-approved plugging program:

EPNG Ludwick Well No. 11, located in Unit B, Section 19, Township 30 North, Range 10 West, San Juan County, New Mexico;

EPNG Rincon Unit Well No. 127, located in Unit A, Section 28, Township 27 North, Range 6 West, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico; and

EPNG Warren A Well No. 2, located in Unit A, Section 23, Town-ship 28 North, Range 9 West, San Juan County, New Mexico.

- CASE 5316: In the matter of the hearing called by the Oil Conservation Commission on its own motion to permit Benson-Montin-Greer Drilling Corporation and Hartford Accident and Indemnity Company and all other interested parties to appear and show cause why the Segal Well No. 1 located in Unit K of Section 10, Township 31 North, Range 13 West, San Juan County, New Mexico, should not be plugged and abandoned in accordance with a Commission-approved plugging program.
- CASE 5317: In the matter of the hearing called by the Oil Conservation Commission on its own motion to permit R & G Drilling Company, Inc., and all other interested parties to appear and show cause why the Marron Well No. 42 in Unit M of Section 22, Township 27 North, Range 8 West, San Juan County, New Mexico, should not be plugged and abandoned in accordance with a Commission-approved plugging program.
- CASE 5318: In the matter of the hearing called by the Oil Conservation Commission on its own motion to permit William C. Russell and United States Fidelity and Guaranty Company and all other interested parties to appear and show cause why the Marron Well No. 46 located in Unit K of Section 23, Township 27 North, Range 8 West, San Juan County, New Mexico, should not be plugged and abandoned in accordance with a Commission-approved plugging program.
- CASE 5326: Application of William C. Russell for directional drilling, San Juan County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for the directional drilling of his Hammond Well No. 1, the surface location of which is 1800 feet from the North line and 1650 feet from the East line of Section 26, Township 27 North, Range 8 West, Large-Chacra Pool, San Juan County, New Mexico.
- CASE 5328: Application of R & G Drilling Company for downhole commingling, San Juan County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for the downhole commingling of Blanco-Mesaverde and Basin-Dakota gas production in the wellbore of its Hammond Well No. 47, located in Unit K of Section 35, Township 27 North, Range 8 West, San Juan County, New Mexico.
- CASE 5312: Application of SEC Corporation for two non-standard carbon dioxide gas units, Harding County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for two non-standard gas units in the South Bueyeros Carbon Dioxide Field, Harding County, New Mexico, the first comprising the W/2 NE/4, SE/4 NE/4, and NE/4 SE/4 of Section 32, Township 19 North, Range 30 East, to be dedicated to a well to be drilled in the approximate center of the SW/4 NE/4 of said Section 32; the second non-standard unit would comprise the SW/4 NE/4, N/2 SE/4 and SE/4 SE/4 of Section 5, Township 18 North, Range 30 East, and would be dedicated to a well in the approximate center of the NW/4 SE/4 of said Section 5.

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- CASE 5314: Application of Gulf Oil Corporation for simultaneous dedication, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for the simultaneous dedication of its W. A. Ramsay Wells Nos. 6, 7, and 20 located in Units H, N, and E, respectively, of Section 35, Township 21 South, Range 36 East, Eumont Gas Pool, Lea County, New Mexico, to a standard 640-acre gas proration unit comprising all of said Section 35. Each of the aforesaid wells is at a non-standard location for a 640-acre unit in said pool.
- CASE 5315: Application of Texaco Inc. for downhole commingling, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for the downhole commingling of Blinebry, Tubb-Drinkard, and Fusselman production in the wellbore of its G. L. Erwin "B" Federal Well No. 4 located in Unit O of Section 35, Township 24 South, Range 37 East, Justis Field, Lea County, New Mexico.
- CASE 5319: Application of Alan Ralston dba Apollo 011 Company for compulsory pooling, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests in the Jalmat Gas Pool underlying the NW/4 of Section 25, Township 25 South, Range 36 East, Lea County, New Mexico, to form a 160-acre non-standard gas proration unit to be dedicated to applicant's Brown Well No. 1 located 1980 feet from the North line and 2310 feet from the West line of said Section 25. Applicant further seeks the pooling of all mineral interests in the Jalmat Pool underlying the following 40-acre oil proration units in said Section 25: the NW/4 NW/4 to be dedicated to Brown Well No. 2 located 330 feet from the North line and 825 feet from the West line; the NE/4 NW/4 to be dedicated to Brown Well No. 3 located 365 feet from the North line and 1650 feet from the West line; the SE/4 NW/4 to be dedicated to Brown Well No. 4 located 1690 feet from the North line and 1870 feet from the West line; and the SW/4 NW/4 to be dedicated to Brown Well No. 5 located 1650 feet from the North line and 990 feet from the West line. Also to be considered will be the cost of reworking said wells and the allocation of such costs, as well as actual operating costs and charges for supervision. Also to be considered is the designation of applicant as operator of the wells and a charge for risk involved in reworking said wells.
- CASE 5320: Application of Lively Exploration Company for a non-standard gas proration unit, San Juan County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for a 341.33-acre non-standard gas proration unit comprising Lots 9, 10, 11, and 12 of Section 7, and Lots 1, 2, 3, and 4 and the E/2 W/2 of Section 18, Township 29 North, Range 8 West, Basin-Dakota Pool, San Juan County, New Mexico, to be dedicated to a well to be drilled at a standard location for said unit.

Application of Northern Minerals, Inc. for pool creation and special CACE 5321 . pool rules, McKinley County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the abovestyled cause, seeks the creation of the Miguel Creek-Hospah Oil Pool in Township 16 North, Range 6 West, McKinley County, New Mexico, and for the promulgation of special pool rules therefor, including the elimination of the requirement for surface casing and authority to inject water through casing. Applicant is currently conducting waterflood operations in said pool pursuant to authority granted by Order No. R-4649 and seeks administrative provision for the drilling of additional injection and production wells at orthodox and unorthodox locations.

CASE 5322: Application of Phillips Petroleum Company for an exception to Rule 104-C-I, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an exception to Commission Rule 104-C-I to permit the production of its Santa Fe Wells Nos. 41 and 86, both of which are located in Unit C of Section 26, Township 17 South, Range 35 East, Vacuum Grayburg-San Andres Pool, Lea County, New Mexico, said wells being located closer than the required 330 feet apart.

CASE 5323: Application of Cities Service Oil Company for compulsory pooling, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests of Pennsylvanian age, or older, underlying the E/2 of Section 32, Township 21 South, Range 27 East, Eddy County, New Mexico, to be dedicated to a well to be drilled at a standard location for said unit. Also to be considered will be the cost of drilling and completing said well and the allocation of such costs, as well as actual operating costs and charges for supervision. Also to be considered is the designation of applicant as operator of the well and a charge for risk involved in drilling said well.

> Application of Cities Service Oil Company for compulsory pooling, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests of Pennsylvanian age, or older, underlying the E/2 of Section 18, Township 22 South, Range 27 East, South Carlsbad Field, Eddy County, New Mexico, to be dedicated to applicant's Tracy "B" Well No. 1, the surface location of which is 2045 feet from the South line and 479 feet from the East line of said Section 18. Also to be considered will be the cost of drilling and completing said well and the allocation of such costs, as well as actual operating costs and charges for supervision. Also to be considered is the designation of applicant as operator of the well and a charge for risk involved in drilling said well.

CASE 5325: Application of Cities Service Oil Company for directional drilling, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks authority to directionally drill its Tracy "B" Well No. 1, the surface location of which is 2045 feet from the South line and 479 feet from the East line of Section 18, Township 22 South, Range 27 East, South

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Carlsbad Field, Eddy County, New Mexico, in such a manner as to bottom said well in the Morrow formation at an orthodox location within 165 feet of a point 2145 feet from the North line and 825 feet from the East line of said Section 18. Applicant further seeks approval for the unorthodox location of said well in the Strawn formation, in the event production is therein encountered, within a 100-foot radius of a point 2600 feet from the North line and 675 feet from the East line of said Section 18. The E/2 of said Section 18 would be dedicated to the well for both formations.

CASE 5327: Application of Cities Service Oil Company for an unorthodox location and gas injection, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for the unorthodox location of its Empire-Abo Unit Well No. 111 to be drilled at a point 990 feet from the South line and 1880 feet from the West line of Section 35, Town-ship 17 South, Range 27 East, Empire-Abo Pool, Eddy County, New Mexico. This well is to be used as a gas injection well and, in exception to the provisions of Order No. R-4808, is located 1140 feet from the outer boundary of the Citgo Empire-Abo Unit Boundary, rather than the required 1650 feet from the outer boundary.



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Attention: Mr. Joe D. Ramey

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Orders R-4866 and R-4868 South Carlsbad Morrow Pool Eddy County, New Mexico

Gentlemen:

Attached is a letter which has been sent all known Working Interest Owners in the Tracy-B No. 1, South Carlsbad Pool, Eddy County, New Mexico, as required by Order R-4866.

The New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission staff asked if we would furnish information on costs incurred by drilling the Tracy-B No. 1 in the city limits of Carlsbad. In addition to those items listed in Item 4 of the attached letter, the following are required by Carlsbad Ordinance 748:

Permit Fee	\$ 500
Inspection Fee	2,000
Insurance	(Cities Service Blanket)
Bond	150
Extra Accumulator and BOP Equipment	8,090
Mud Monitoring Equipment:	
Flow Sensor	1,665
Pit Level Indicator	1,665
Trip Tank	4,285
Trip Tank Pump	3 , 506
Trip Tank Readout	2,080
Rotating Head	4,929
Hydraulic Choke	2,621
Degasser	2,854
Mud Gas Separator	4,280
Fire Fighting Equipment	849
Fence and Gates	1,225

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A large portion of this equipment is used by Cities Service regardless of whether the well is being drilled in the City of Carlsbad but we are not sure this would apply to all operators. Cities is proud of their drilling record in the Carlsbad area and use equipment which we feel should take care of most problems that may occur with drilling operations in the area.

Very truly yours,

E. F. Motter
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Gentlemen:

Cities Service Oil Company was authorized by New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission Order R-4865 to drill the Tracy-B No. 1 2180 feet from South Line and 520 feet from East Line, Section 18, T-22-S, R-27-E, Eddy County, New Mexico, located on a compulsory pooled proration unit composed of the E/2 of Section 18. N.M.O.C.C. Order R-4868 authorized the well to be directionally drilled to a target center 2145 feet from North Line and 825 feet from East Line in the Morrow formation in Section 18.

As provided in N.M.O.C.C. Order R-4866, an itemized schedule of well costs is attached. This well overran the original estimate and is due primarily to the following reasons:

1. Increased Cost of Tubulars

Since tubulars of certain size, grade and weight were not available from regular suppliers, it was necessary to purchase a portion at premium prices for above these prices estimated. (An example is the 2-7/8" cubing which was estimated at \$2.00/foot but was purchased at \$3.57/foot.)

2. Rotary Day Work

It was estimated the Tracy-B No. 1 would be drilled in sixty-three (63) days, which included extra time for the directional drilling. Most wells in this area required forty-five (45) days to drill to the Morrow formation and the rotary was actually on the Tracy-B No. 1 ninety-six (96) days. Since this was a deviated hole, bids were taken from rotary

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contractors on a day work basis rather then footage. It was necessary for the operator to pay \$16,000 to move the rotary which was not included in the original estimate

3. Directional Drilling

It was extremely difficult to maintain the desired angle to bottom the hole in the "target area". This required considerably more Dynadrill runs, rotary time, supervision and equipment rental. The major directional costs were:

Directional Supervision	•	\$18,657
Directional Equipment Rental		32,924
Dynadrill Rental		20,956
Orientation Tools and Supervision		39,685
Wireline Services		13,713
	Total:	\$125,935

The directional drilling was on the Detailed Well Estimate, partially under three (3) categories - "Contract Labor", "Rental of Miscellaneous Equipment" and "Drilling Bits, Coreheads and Reamers" for a total amount of \$36,000.

4. Drilling Under Restriction of City of Carlsbad Ordinance No. 748

Steel reserve pits were required, making it necessary to dispose cuttings daily with earth moving equipment. On the original estimate, we had planned to use vacuum trucks to move the drill cuttings and excess fluids; however, the cuttings solidified in the pits requiring a more expensive method of removal. Several times the drilling rate had to be retarded because we were unable to move the solidified cuttings at a rate which they were being produced, resulting in 7.8 more days of rotary time. The extra cost of moving drill cuttings was \$75,467.

To acquire sufficient mud weight for a hydrostatic pressure of 6200 psi or greater prior to 10,000 feet required the rental of storage tanks, cost of building 850 barrels of 12#/gallon mud and rental of pump equipment to roll and transfer the weighted mud into the system at a cost of \$17,282. This procedure was not planned in the original Detailed Well Estimate.

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The entire location was fenced with a chain link fence complete with locked gates but did not provide adequate security. A security guard was used on a 24 hour basis after the rotary was moved, which was not included in the original estimate.

This explanation for overron of the original Detailed Well Estimate could be explained in more detail; therefore, if you have any further questions on this matter, please advise.

Very truly yours,

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DETAILED WELL ESTIMATE

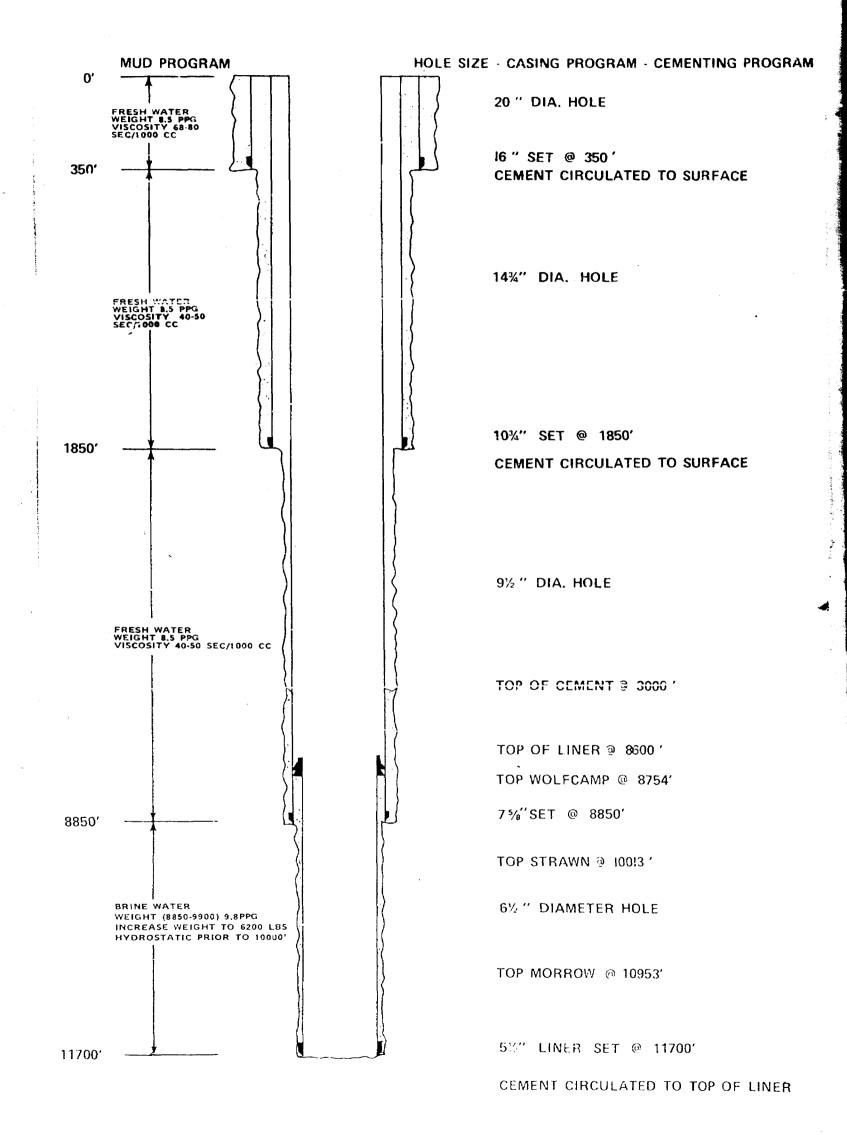
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DATE July 8, 1975	section 18, T-22-S, R-	27-Н
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Casing 16" 65" 11-40 STGC	A		355		6,600	6,600		4,789
10-3/4" 40.5# H-40 ST&C	A		1,745		18,092	18,092		11,63
10-3/4" 40.5# K-55 ST&C	A		1,255		12,428	12,428		7,620
7-5/8" 26.4" N-80 LTGC	A		3,422		30,000	5,500		21,539
7-5/8" 29.7# N-80 LT&C	A		3,029		29,500	15,000		39,31
7-5/8" 33.7# N-80 LTGC	A		2,633		29,573			22,22
5-1/2" 19.81# N-80 LTGC	A		3,500		27,344	-		-
5" 17.93# N-80 SFJ-P	A		3,208		-	_		30,61
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Cost to install T. B.					5,000			3,58
INTANGIBLES								
Contract Drlg. labor (footage)								
Rotary day work \$2200/Day - 65 Days					138,600	138,600		257,314
Cable tool work								
Subsurface casing equipment	A			<u> </u>	6,500			15,54
D. S. T., electric logs, etc.					17,600			24,070
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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. 5324 Order No. R-4866

APPLICATION OF CITIES SERVICE OIL COMPANY 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 September 18, 1974, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner Richard L. Stamets.

NOW, on this 9th day of October, 1974, the Commission, a quorum being present, having considered the testimony, the record, and the recommendations of the Examiner, and being fully advised in the previses,

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, Cities Service Oil Company, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests in the Pennsylvanian formation underlying the E/2 of Section 18, Township 22 South, Range 27 East, NMPM, South Carlsbad Field, Eddy County, New Mexico.
- (3) That the applicant has the right to drill and proposes to drill a well at an unorthodox surface location 2045 feet from the South line and 479 feet from the East line of said Section 18.
- (4) That there are interest owners in the proposed proration unit who have not agreed to pool their interests.
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- (6) That the applicant should be designated the operator of the subject well and unit.

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IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

(1) That all mineral interests, whatever they may be, in the Pennsylvanian formation underlying the E/2 of Section 18,

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

STATE OF NEW MEXICO
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Application of Merrion & Bayless for downhole commingling, San Juan County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for the downhole commingling of hydrocarbon production from the top of the Gallup formation at 5434 feet to the base of the Dakota formation at 6570 feet in its Keeling Federal Well No. 1 located in Unit B of Section 20, Township 25 North, Range 8 West, Dufers Point-Dakota Pool, San Juan County, New Mexico.

CASE 5313: Application of El Paso Natural Gas Company for downhole commingling, San Juan County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for the downhole commingling of Aztec-Pictured Cliffs and Blanco-Mesaverde production in the wellbore of its Ludwick Well No. 11 located in Unit B of Section 9, Township 30 North, Range 10 West, San Juan County, New Mexico.

CASE 5292: (Continued from the August 7, 1974, Examiner Hearing)

In the matter of the hearing called by the Oil Conservation Commission on its own motion to permit El Paso Natural Gas Company, United States Fidelity and Guaranty Co., and all other interested parties to appear and show cause why each of the following wells should not be plugged and abandoned in accordance with a Commission-approved plugging program:

EPNG Ludwick Well No. 11, located in Unit B, Section 19, Township 30 North, Range 10 West, San Juan County, New Mexico:

EPNG Rincon Unit Well No. 127, located in Unit A, Section 28, Township 27 North, Range 6 West, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico; and

- CASE 5316: In the matter of the hearing called by the Oil Conservation Commission on its own motion to permit Benson-Montin-Creer Drilling Corporation and Hartford Accident and Indemnity Company and all other interested parties to appear and show cause why the Segal Well No. 1 located in Unit K of Section 10, Township 31 North, Range 13 West, San Juan County, New Mexico, should not be plugged and abandoned in accordance with a Commission-approved plugging program.
- CASE 5317: In the matter of the hearing called by the Oil Conservation Commission on its own motion to permit R & G Drilling Company, Inc., and all other interested parties to appear and show cause why the Marron Well No. 42 in Unit M of Section 22, Township 27 North, Range 8 West, San Juan County, New Mexico, should not be plugged and abandoned in accordance with a Commission-approved plugging program.
- CASE 5318: In the matter of the hearing called by the Oil Conservation Commission on its own motion to permit William C. Russell and United States Fidelity and Guaranty Company and all other interested parties to appear and show cause why the Marron Well No. 46 located in Unit K of Section 23, Township 27 North, Range 8 West, San Juan County, New Mexico, should not be plugged and abandoned in accordance with a Commission-approved plugging program.
- CASE 5326: Application of William C. Russell for directional drilling, San Juan County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for the directional drilling of his Hammond Well No. 1, the surface location of which is 1800 feet from the North line and 1650 feet from the East line of Section 26, Township 27 North, Range 8 West, Largo-Chacra Pool, San Juan County, New Mexico.
- CASE 5328: Application of R & G Drilling Company for downhole commingling, San Juan County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for the downhole commingling of Blanco-Mesaverde and Basin-Dakota gas production in the wellbore of its Hammond Well No. 47, located in Unit K of Section 35, Township 27 North, Range 8 West, San Juan County, New Mexico.
- CASE 5312: Application of SEC Corporation for two non-standard carbon dioxide gas units, harding County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for two non-standard gas units in the South Bueyeros Carbon Dioxide Field, Harding County, New Mexico, the first comprising the W/2 NE/4, SE/4 NE/4, and NE/4 SE/4 of Section 32, Township 19 North, Range 30 East, to be dedicated to a well to be drilled in the approximate center of the SW/4 NE/4 of said Section 32; the second non-standard unit would comprise the SW/4 NE/4, N/2 SE/4 and SE/4 SE/4 of Section 5, Township 18 North, Range 30 East, and would be dedicated to a well in the approximate center of the NW/4 SE/4 of said Section 5.

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- CASE 5314: Application of Gulf Oil Corporation for simultaneous dedication, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for the simultaneous dedication of its W. A. Ramsay Wells Nos. 6, 7, and 20 located in Units H, N, and E, respectively, of Section 35, Township 21 South, Range 36 East, Eumont Gas Pool, Lea County, New Mexico, to a standard 640-acre gas proration unit comprising all of said Section 35. Each of the aforesaid wells is at a non-standard location for a 640-acre unit in said pool.
- CASE 5315: Application of Texaco Inc. for downhole commingling, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for the downhole commingling of Blinebry, Tubb-Drinkard, and Fusselman production in the wellbore of its G. L. Erwin "B" Federal Well No. 4 located in Unit O of Section 35, Township 24 South, Range 37 East, Justis Field, Lea County, New Mexico.
- CASE 5319: Application of Alan Ralston dba Apollo 011 Company for compulsory pooling, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests in the Jalmat Gas Pool underlying the NW/4 of Section 25, Township 25 South, Range 36 East, Lea County, New Mexico, to form a 160-acre non-standard gas proration unit to be dedicated to applicant's Brown Well No. 1 located 1980 feet from the North line and 2310 feet from the West line of said Section 25. Applicant further seeks the pooling of all mineral interests in the Jalmat Pool underlying the following 40-acre oil proration units in said Section 25: the NW/4 NW/4 to be dedicated to Brown Well No. 2 located 330 feet from the North line and 825 feet from the West line; the NE/4 NW/4 to be dedicated to Brown Well No. 3 located 365 feet from the North line and 1650 feet from the West line; the SE/4 NW/4 to be dedicated to Brown Well No. 4 located 1690 feet from the North line and 1870 feet from the West line; and the SW/4 NW/4 to be dedicated to Brown Well No. 5 located 1650 feet from the North line and 990 fact from the West line. Also to be considered will be the cost of reworking said wells and the allocation of such costs, as well as actual operating nd charges for supervision. Also to be considered is the Congustion of applicant as operator of the wells and a charge for risk involved in reworking said wells.
- CASE 5320: Application of Lively Expl. Lation Company for a non-standard gas proration unit, San Juan County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for a 341.33-acre non-standard gas proration unit comprising Lots 9, 10, 11, and 12 of Section 7, and Lots 1, 2, 3, and 4 and the E/2 W/2 of Section 18, Township 29 North, Range 8 West, Basin-Dakota Pool, San Juan County, New Mexico, to be dedicated to a well to be drilled at a standard location for said unit.

- CASE 5321: Application of Northern Minerals, Inc. for pool creation and special pool rules, McKinley County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks the creation of the Miguel Creek-Hospah Oil Pool in Township 16 North, Range 6 West, McKinley County, New Mexico, and for the promulgation of special pool rules therefor, including the elimination of the requirement for surface casing and authority to inject water through casing. Applicant is currently conducting waterflood operations in said pool pursuant to authority granted by Order No. R-4649 and seeks administrative provision for the drilling of additional injection and production wells at orthodox and unorthodox locations.
- CASE 5322: Application of Phillips Petroleum Company for an exception to Rule 104-C-I, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an exception to Commission Rule 104-C-I to permit the production of its Santa Fe Wells Nos. 41 and 86, both of which are located in Unit C of Section 26, Township 17 South, Range 35 East, Vacuum Grayburg-San Andres Pool, Lea County, New Mexico, said wells being located closer than the required 330 feet apart.
- CASE 5323: Application of Cities Service Oil Company for compulsory pooling, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests of Pennsylvanian age, or older, underlying the E/2 of Section 32, Township 21 South, Range 27 East, Eddy County, New Mexico, to be dedicated to a well to be drilled at a standard location for said unit. Also to be considered will be the cost of drilling and completing said well and the allocation of such costs, as well as act i operating costs and charges for supervision. Also to be considered is the designation of applicant as operator of the well and a charge for risk involved in drilling said well.
- CASE 5324: Application of Cities Service Oil Company for compulsory pooling, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests of Pennsylvanian age, or older, underlying the E/2 of Section 18, Township 22 South, Range 27 East, South Carlsbad Field, Eddy County, New Mexico, to be dedicated to applicant's Tracy "B" Well No. 1, the surface location of which is 2045 feet from the South line and 479 feet from the East line of said Section 18. Also to be considered will be the cost of drilling and completing said well and the allocation of such costs, as well as actual operating costs and charges for supervision. Also to be considered is the designation of applicant as operator of the well and a charge for risk involved in drilling said well.
- CASE 5325: Application of Cities Service Oil Company for directional drilling, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks authority to directionally drill its Tracy "B" Well No. 1, the surface location of which is 2045 feet from the South line and 479 feet from the East line of Section 18, Township 22 South, Range 27 East, South

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Carlsbad Field, Eddy County, New Mexico, in such a manner as to bottom said well in the Morrow formation at an orthodox location within 165 feet of a point 2145 feet from the North line and 825 feet from the East line of said Section 18. Applicant further seeks approval for the unorthodox location of said well in the Strawn formation, in the event production is therein encountered, within a 100-foot radius of a point 2600 feet from the North line and 675 feet from the East line of said Section 18. The E/2 of said Section 18 would be dedicated to the well for both formations.

CASE 5327: Application of Cities Service Oil Company for an unorthodox location and gas injection, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for the unorthodox location of its Empire-Abo Unit Well No. 111 to be drilled at a point 990 feet from the South line and 1880 feet from the West line of Section 35, Town-ship 17 South, Range 27 East, Empire-Abo Pool, Eddy County, New Mexico. This well is to be used as a gas injection well and, in exception to the provisions of Order No. R-4808, is located 1140 feet from the outer boundary of the Citgo Empire-Abo Unit Boundary, rather than the required 1650 feet from the outer boundary.

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. 5324 Order No. R-4866

APPLICATION OF CITIES SERVICE OIL COMPANY 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 September 18, 1974, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner Richard L. Stamets.

NOW, on this 9th day of October, 1974, 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, Cities Service Oil Company, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests in the Pennsylvanian formation underlying the E/2 of Section 18, Township 22 South, Range 27 East, NMPM, South Carlsbad Field, Eddy County, New Mexi∞.
- (3) That the applicant has the right to drill and proposes to drill a well at an unorthodox surface location 2045 feet from the South line and 479 feet from the East line of said Section 18.
- (4) That there are interest owners in the proposed proration unit who have not agreed to pool their interests.
- (5) That to avoid the drilling of unnecessary wells, to protect correlative rights, and to afford to the owner of each interest in said unit the opportunity to recover or receive without unnecessary expense his just and fair share of the gas in said pool, the subject application should be approved by pooling all mineral interests, whatever they may be, within said unit.
- (6) That the applicant should be designated the operator of the subject well and unit.

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- (7) That any non-consenting working interest owner should be afforded the opportunity to pay his share of estimated well costs to the operator in lieu of paying his share of reasonable well costs out of production.
- (8) That any non-consenting working interest owner that does not pay his share of estimated well costs should have withheld from production his share of the reasonable well costs plus an additional 200 percent thereof as a reasonable charge for the risk involved in the drilling of the well.
- (9) That any non-consenting interest owner should be afforded the opportunity to object to the actual well costs but that actual well costs should be adopted as the reasonable well costs in the absence of such objection.
- (10) That following determination of reasonable well costs, any non-consenting working interest owner that has paid his share of estimated costs should pay to the operator any amount that reasonable well costs exceed estimated well costs and should receive from the operator any amount that paid estimated well costs exceed reasonable well costs.
- (11) That \$1536.00 per month is hereby fixed as a reasonable charge for supervision (combined fixed rates) while drilling, and that \$216.00 per month should be fixed as a reasonable charge for supervision while producing, provided that the producing supervision charge should be adjusted annually on the first day of April of each year. That the operator should be authorized to withhold from production the proportionate share of such supervision charge attributable to each non-consenting working interest, and in addition thereto, the operator should be authorized to withhold from production the proportionate share of actual expenditures required for operating the subject well, not in excess of what are reasonable, attributable to each non-consenting working interest.
- (12) That all proceeds from production from the subject well which are not disbursed for any reason should be placed in escrow to be paid to the true owner thereof upon demand and proof of ownership.
- (13) That upon the failure of the operator of said pooled unit to commence drilling of the well to which said unit is dedicated on or before January 1, 1975, the order pooling said unit should become null and void and of no effect whatsoever.
- (14) That an administrative procedure should be established to permit a delay in the required date of commencement set forth in Finding No. (13) above for good cause shown.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

(1) That all mineral interests, whatever they may be, in the Pennsylvanian formation underlying the E/2 of Section 18,

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Township 22 South, Range 27 East, NMPM, South Carlsbad Field, Eddy County, New Mexico, are hereby pooled to form a standard 320-acre gas spacing and proration unit to be dedicated to a well to be drilled at an unorthodox surface location 2045 feet from the South line and 479 feet from the East line of said Section 18.

PROVIDED HOWEVER, that the operator of said unit shall commence the drilling of said well on or before the 1st day of January, 1975, and shall thereafter continue the drilling of said well with due diligence to a depth sufficient to test the Pennsylvanian formation;

PROVIDED FURTHER, that in the event said operator does not commence the drilling of said well on or before the 1st day of January, 1975, Order (1) of this order shall be null and void and of no effect whatsoever;

PROVIDED FURTHER, that for good cause shown, the Secretary-Director of the Commission may grant an extension of time in which to commence said well of up to 90 days.

PROVIDED FURTHER, that should said well not be drilled to completion, or abandonment, within 120 days after commencement thereof, said operator shall appear before the Commission and show cause why Order (1) of this order should not be rescinded.

- (2) That Cities Service Oil Company is hereby designated the operator of the subject well and unit.
- (3) That after the effective date of this order and within 30 days prior to commencing said well, the operator shall furnish the Commission and each known working interest owner in the subject unit an itemized schedule of estimated well costs.
- (4) That within 30 days from the date the schedule of estimated well costs is furnished to him, any non-consenting working interest owner shall have the right to pay his share of estimated well costs to the operator in lieu of paying his share of reasonable well costs out of production, and that any such owner who pays his share of estimated well costs as provided above shall remain liable for operating costs but shall not be liable for risk charges.
- each known working interest owner an itemized schedule of actual well costs within 90 days following completion of the well; that if no objection to the actual well costs is received by the Commission and the Commission has not objected within 45 days following receipt of said schedule, the actual well costs shall be the resonable well costs; provided however, that if there is an objection to actual well costs within said 45-day period the Commission will determine reasonable well costs after public notice and hearing.

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- (6) That within 60 days following determination of reasonable well costs, any non-consenting working interest owner that has paid his share of estimated costs in advance as provided above shall pay to the operator his pro rata share of the amount that reasonable well costs exceed estimated well costs and shall receive from the operator his pro rata share of the amount that estimated well costs exceed reasonable well costs.
- (7) That the operator is hereby authorized to withhold the following costs and charges from production:
 - (A) The pro rata share of reasonable well costs attributable to each non-consenting working interest owner who has not paid his share of estimated well costs within 30 days from the date the schedule of estimated well costs is furnished to him.
 - (B) As a charge for the risk involved in the drilling of the well, 200 percent of the pro rata share of reasonable well costs attributable to each non-consenting working interest owner who has not paid his share of estimated well costs within 30 days from the date the schedule of estimated well costs is furnished to him.
- (8) That the operator shall distribute said costs and charges withheld from production to the parties who advanced the well costs.
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- (10) That any unsevered mineral interest shall be considered a seven-eighths (7/8) working interest and a one-eighth (1/8) royalty interest for the purpose of allocating costs and charges under the terms of this order.
- (11) That any well costs or charges which are to be paid out of production shall be withheld only from the working interests share of production, and no costs or charges shall be withheld from production attributable to royalty interests.
- (12) That all proceeds from production from the subject well which are not disbursed for any reason shall be placed in escrow in Eddy County, New Mexico, to be paid to the true owner threef upon demand and proof of ownership; that the operator shall notify the Commission of the name and address of said escrow agent within 90 days from the date of this order.
- (13) 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.

> STATE OF NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

I. R. TRUJILLO, Chairman

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- (3) That the applicant has the right to drill and proposes to drill a well at an unorthodox surface location 2045 feet from the South line and 479 feet from the East line of said Section 18.
- (4) That there are interest owners in the proposed proration unit who have not agreed to pool their interests.
- (5) That to avoid the drilling of unnecessary wells, to protect correlative rights, and to afford to the owner of each interest in said unit the opportunity to recover or receive without unnecessary expense his just and fair share of the gas in said pool, the subject application should be approved by pooling all mineral interests, whatever they may be, within said unit.
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- (12) That all proceeds from production from the subject well which are not disbursed for any reason should be placed in escrow to be paid to the true owner thereof upon demand and proof of ownership.
- (13) That upon the failure of the operator of said pooled unit to commence drilling of the well to which said unit is dedicated on or before January 1, 1975, the order pooling said unit should become null and void and of no effect whatsoever.
- (14) That an administrative procedure should be established to permit a delay in the required date of commencement set forth in Finding No. (13) above for good cause shown.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

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PROVIDED HOWEVER, that the operator of said unit shall commence the drilling of said well on or before the 1st day of January, 1975, and shall thereafter continue the drilling of said well with due diligence to a depth sufficient to test the Pennsylvanian formation;

PROVIDED FURTHER, that in the event said operator does not commence the drilling of said well on or before the 1st day of January, 1975, Order (1) of this order shall be null and void and of no effect whatsoever;

PROVIDED FURTHER, that for good cause shown, the Secretary-Director of the Commission may grant an extension of time in which to commence said well of up to 90 days.

PROVIDED FURTHER, that should said well not be drilled to completion, or abandonment, within 120 days after commencement thereof, said operator shall appear before the Commission and show cause why Order (1) of this order should not be rescinded.

- (2) That Cities Service Oil Company is hereby designated the operator of the subject well and unit.
- (3) That after the effective date of this order and within 30 days prior to commencing said well, the operator shall furnish the Commission and each known working interest owner in the subject unit an itemized schedule of estimated well costs.
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- (6) That within 60 days following determination of reasonable well costs, any non-consenting working interest owner that has paid his share of estimated costs in advance as provided above shall pay to the operator his pro rata share of the amount that reasonable well costs exceed estimated well costs and shall receive from the operator his pro rata share of the amount that estimated well costs exceed reasonable well costs.
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PROVIDED HOWEVER, that the operator of said unit shall commence the drilling of said well on or before the 1st day of January, 1975, and shall thereafter continue the drilling of said well with due diligence to a depth sufficient to test the Pennsylvanian formation;

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- (2) That Cities Service Oil Company is hereby designated the operator of the subject well and unit.
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DONE at Santa Fe, New Mexico, on the day and year hereinabove designated.

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ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

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NOW, on this 9th day of October, 1974, 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,

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- (1) That due public notice having been given as required by law, the Commission has jurisdiction of this cause and the subject matter thereof.
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- (3) That the applicant has the right to drill and proposes to drill a well at an unorthodox surface location 2045 feet from the South line and 479 feet from the East line of said Section 18.
- (4) That there are interest owners in the proposed proration unit who have not agreed to pool their interests.
- (5) That to avoid the drilling of unnecessary wells, to protect correlative rights, and to afford to the owner of each interest in said unit the opportunity to recover or receive without unnecessary expense his just and fair share of the gas in said pool, the subject application should be approved by pooling all mineral interests, whatever they may be, within said unit.
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SEAL

Dockets Nos. 29-74 and 30-74 are tentatively set for hearing on October 2 and October 16, 1974. Applications for hearing must be filed at least 22 days in advance of hearing date.

DOCKET: EXAMINER HEARING - WEDNESDAY - SEPTEMBER 18, 1974

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 Daniel S. Nutter, Alternate Examiner:

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CASE 5288: (Continued from the August 7, 1974, Examiner Hearing)

Application of Merrion & Bayless for downhole commingling, San Juan County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for the downhole commingling of hydrocarbon production from the top of the Gallup formation at 5434 feet to the base of the Dakota formation at 6570 feet in its Keeling Federal Well No. 1 located in Unit B of Section 20, Township 25 North, Range 8 West, Dufers Point-Dakota Pool, San Juan County, New Mexico.

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In the matter of the hearing called by the Oil Conservation Commission on its own motion to permit El Paso Natural Gas Company, United States Fidelity and Guaranty Co., and all other interested parties to appear and show cause why each of the following wells should not be plugged and abandoned in accordance with a Commission-approved plugging program:

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- CASE 5326: Application of William C. Russell for directional drilling, San Juan County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for the directional drilling of his Hammond Well No. 1, the surface location of which is 1800 feet from the North line and 1650 feet from the East line of Section 26, Township 27 North, Range 8 West, Largo-Chacra Pool, San Juan County, New Mexico.
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CASE NO. 5324 Order No. R-4866

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ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

BY THE COMMISSION:

This cause came on for hearing at 9 a.m. on September 18, 1974, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner Richard L. Stamets.

NOW, on this 9th day of October, 1974, 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.
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- (3) That the applicant has the right to drill and proposes to drill a well at an unorthodox surface location 2045 feet from the South line and 479 feet from the East line of said Section 18.
- (4) That there are interest owners in the proposed proration unit who have not agreed to pool their interests.
- (5) That to avoid the drilling of unnecessary wells, to protect correlative rights, and to afford to the owner of each interest in said unit the opportunity to recover or receive without unnecessary expense his just and fair share of the gas in said pool, the subject application should be approved by pooling all mineral interests, whatever they may be, within said unit.
- (6) That the applicant should be designated the operator of the subject well and unit.

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- (7) That any non-consenting working interest owner should be afforded the opportunity to pay his share of estimated well costs to the operator in lieu of paying his share of reasonable well costs out of production.
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- (12) That all proceeds from production from the subject well which are not disbursed for any reason should be placed in escrow to be paid to the true owner thereof upon demand and proof of ownership.
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- (14) That an administrative procedure should be established to permit a delay in the required date of commencement set forth in Finding No. (13) above for good cause shown.

IT IS THEREPORE ORDERED:

(1) That all mineral interests, whatever they may be, in the Pennsylvanian formation underlying the E/2 of Section 18,

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Township 22 South, Range 27 East, NMPM, South Carlsbad Field, Eddy County, New Mexico, are hereby pooled to form a standard 320-acre gas spacing and proration unit to be dedicated to a well to be drilled at an unorthodox surface location 2045 feet from the South line and 479 feet from the East line of said Section 18.

PROVIDED HOWEVER, that the operator of said unit shall commence the drilling of said well on or before the 1st day of January, 1975, and shall thereafter continue the drilling of said well with due diligence to a depth sufficient to test the Pennsylvanian formation;

PROVIDED FURTHER, that in the event said operator does not commence the drilling of said well on or before the 1st day of January, 1975, Order (1) of this order shall be null and void and of no effect whatsoever;

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PROVIDED FURTHER, that should said well not be drilled to completion, or abandonment, within 120 days after commencement thereof, said operator shall appear before the Commission and show cause why Order (1) of this order should not be rescinded.

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

STATE OF NEW MEXICO
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> CASE NO. 5324 Order No. R-4866

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ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

BY THE COMMISSION:

This cause came on for hearing at 9 a.m. on September 18, 1974, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner Richard L. Stamets.

NOW, on this 9th day of October, 1974, 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, Cities Service Oil Company, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests in the Pennsylvanian formation underlying the E/2 of Section 18, Township 22 South, Range 27 East, NMPM, South Carlsbad Field, Eddy County, New Mexico.
- (3) That the applicant has the right to drill and proposes to drill a well at an unorthodox surface location 2045 feet from the South line and 479 feet from the East line of said Section 18.
- (4) That there are interest owners in the proposed proration unit who have not agreed to pool their interests.
- (5) That to avoid the drilling of unnecessary wells, to protect correlative rights, and to afford to the owner of each interest in said unit the opportunity to recover or receive without unnecessary expense his just and fair share of the gas in said pool, the subject application should be approved by pooling all mineral interests, whatever they may be, within said unit.
- (6) That the applicant should be designated the operator of the subject well and unit.

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- (7) That any non-consenting working interest owner should be afforded the opportunity to pay his share of estimated well costs to the operator in lieu of paying his share of reasonable well costs out of production.
- (8) That any non-consenting working interest owner that does not pay his share of estimated well costs should have withheld from production his share of the reasonable well costs plus an additional 200 percent thereof as a reasonable charge for the risk involved in the drilling of the well.
- (9) That any non-consenting interest owner should be afforded the opportunity to object to the actual well costs but that actual well costs should be adopted as the reasonable well costs in the absence of such objection.
- (10) That following determination of reasonable well costs, any non-consenting working interest owner that has paid his share of estimated costs should pay to the operator any amount that reasonable well costs exceed estimated well costs and should receive from the operator any amount that paid estimated well costs exceed reasonable well costs.
- (11) That \$1536.00 per month is hereby fixed as a reasonable charge for supervision (combined fixed rates) while drilling, and that \$216.00 per month should be fixed as a reasonable charge for supervision while producing, provided that the producing supervision charge should be adjusted annually on the first day of April of each year. That the operator should be authorized to withhold from production the proportionate share of such supervision charge attributable to each non-consenting working interest, and in addition thereto, the operator should be authorized to withhold from production the proportionate share of actual expenditures required for operating the subject well, not in excess of what are reasonable, attributable to each non-consenting working interest.
- (12) That all proceeds from production from the subject well which are not disbursed for any reason should be placed in escrow to be paid to the true owner thereof upon demand and proof of ownership.
- (13) That upon the failure of the operator of said pooled unit to commence drilling of the well to which said unit is dedicated on or before January 1, 1975, the order pooling said unit should become null and void and of no effect whatsoever.
- (14) That an administrative procedure should be established to permit a delay in the required date of commencement set forth in Finding No. (13) above for good cause shown.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

(1) That all mineral interests, whatever they may be, in the Pennsylvanian formation underlying the E/2 of Section 18,

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Township 22 South, Range 27 East, NMPM, South Carlsbad Field, Eddy County, New Mexico, are hereby pooled to form a standard 320-acre gas spacing and proration unit to be dedicated to a well to be drilled at an unorthodox surface location 2045 feet from the South line and 479 feet from the East line of said Section 18.

PROVIDED HOWEVER, that the operator of said unit shall commence the drilling of said well on or before the 1st day of January, 1975, and shall thereafter continue the drilling of said well with due diligence to a depth sufficient to test the Pennsylvanian formation;

PROVIDED FURTHER, that in the event said operator does not commence the drilling of said well on or before the 1st day of January. 1975, Order (1) of this order shall be null and void and of no effect whatsoever;

PROVIDED FURTHER, that for good cause shown, the Secretary-Director of the Commission may grant an extension of time in which to commence said well of up to 90 days.

PROVIDED FURTHER, that should said well not be drilled to completion, or abandonment, within 120 days after commencement thereof, said operator shall appear before the Commission and show cause why Order (1) of this order should not be rescinded.

- (2) That Cities Service Oil Company is hereby designated the operator of the subject well and unit.
- (3) That after the effective date of this order and within 30 days prior to commencing said well, the operator shall furnish the Commission and each known working interest owner in the subject unit an itemized schedule of estimated well costs.
- (4) That within 30 days from the date the schedule of estimated well costs is furnished to him, any non-consenting working interest owner shall have the right to pay his share of estimated well costs to the operator in lieu of paying his share of reasonable well costs out of production, and that any such owner who pays his share of estimated well costs as provided above shall remain liable for operating costs but shall not be liable for risk charges.
- (5) That the operator shall furnish the Commission and each known working interest owner an itemized schedule of actual well costs within 90 days following completion of the well; that if no objection to the actual well costs is received by the Commission and the Commission has not objected within 45 days following receipt of said schedule, the actual well costs shall be the reasonable well costs; provided however, that if there is an objection to actual well costs within said 45-day period the Commission will determine reasonable well costs after public notice and hearing.

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- (6) That within 60 days following determination of reasonable well costs, any non-consenting working interest owner that has paid his share of estimated costs in advance as provided above shall pay to the operator his pro rata share of the amount that reasonable well costs exceed estimated well costs and shall receive from the operator his pro rata share of the amount that estimated well costs exceed reasonable well costs.
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DONE at Santa Fe, New Mexico, on the day and year hereinabove designated.

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- CASE 5324: Application of Cities Service Oil Company for compulsory pooling, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests of Pennsylvanian age, or older, underlying the E/2 of Section 18, Township 22 South, Range 27 East, South Carlsbad Field, Eddy County, New Mexico, to be dedicated to interest of the South Interest of Pennsylvanian age, or older, underlying the E/2 of Section 18. New Mexico, to be dedicated to interest of the South Interest of the South is said Section of Which is and 479 feet from the East line of said Section 18. Also to be considered will be the cost of drilling and completing said well and the allocation of such costs, as well as actual operating costs and charges for supervision. Also to be considered is the designation of applicant as operator of the well and a charge for risk involved in drilling said well.
- CASE 5325: Application of Cities Service Oil Company for directional dr Iling, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks authority to directionally drill its Tracy "B" Well No. 1, the surface location of which is 2045 feet from the South line and 479 feet from the East line of Section 18, Township 22 South, Range 27 East, South

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Carlsbad Field, Eddy County, New Mexico, in such a manner as to bottom said well in the Morrow formation at an orthodox location within 165 feet of a point 2145 feet from the North line and 825 feet from the East line of said Section 18. Applicant further seeks approval for the unorthodox location of said well in the Strawn formation, in the event production is therein encountered, within a 100-foot radius of a point 2600 feet from the North line and 675 feet from the East line of said Section 18. The E/2 of said Section 18 would be dedicated to the well for both formations.

CASE 5327: Application of Cities Service Oil Company for an unorthodox location and gas injection, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for the unorthodox location of its Empire-Abo Unit Well No. 111 to be drilled at a point 990 feet from the South line and 1880 feet from the West line of Section 35, Town-ship 17 South, Range 27 East, Empire-Abo Pool, Eddy County, New Mexico. This well is to be used as a gas injection well and, in exception to the provisions of Order No. R-4808, is located 1140 feet from the outer boundary of the Citgo Empire-Abo Unit Boundary, rather than the required 1650 feet from the outer boundary.

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. 5324 Order No. R-4866

APPLICATION OF CITIES SERVICE OIL COMPANY 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 September 18, 1974, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner Richard L. Stamets.

NOW, on this 9th day of October, 1974, 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, Cities Service Oil Company, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests in the Pennsylvanian formation underlying the E/2 of Section 18, Township 22 South, Range 27 East, NMPM, South Carlsbad Field, Eddy County, New Mexi∞.
- (3) That the applicant has the right to drill and proposes to drill a well at an unorthodox surface location 2045 feet from the South line and 479 feet from the East line of said Section 18.
- (4) That there are interest owners in the proposed proration unit who have not agreed to pool their interests.
- (5) That to avoid the drilling of unnecessary wells, to protect correlative rights, and to afford to the owner of each interest in said unit the opportunity to recover or receive without unnecessary expense his just and fair share of the gas in said pool, the subject application should be approved by pooling all mineral interests, whatever they may be, within said unit.
- (6) That the applicant should be designated the operator of the subject well and unit.

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- (7) That any non-consenting working interest owner should be afforded the opportunity to pay his share of estimated well costs to the operator in lieu of paying his share of reasonable well costs out of production.
- (8) That any non-consenting working interest owner that does not pay his share of estimated well costs should have withheld from production his share of the reasonable well costs plus an additional 200 percent thereof as a reasonable charge for the risk involved in the drilling of the well.
- (9) That any non-consenting interest owner should be afforded the opportunity to object to the actual well costs but that actual well costs should be adopted as the reasonable well costs in the absence of such objection.
- (10) That following determination of reasonable well costs, any non-consenting working interest owner that has paid his share of estimated costs should pay to the operator any amount that reasonable well costs exceed estimated well costs and should receive from the operator any amount that paid estimated well costs exceed reasonable well costs.
- (11) That \$1536.00 per month is hereby fixed as a reasonable charge for supervision (combined fixed rates) while drilling, and that \$216.00 per month should be fixed as a reasonable charge for supervision while producing, provided that the producing supervision charge should be adjusted annually on the first day of April of each year. That the operator should be authorized to withhold from production the proportionate share of such supervision charge attributable to each non-consenting working interest, and in addition thereto, the operator should be authorized to withhold from production the proportionate share of actual expenditures required for operating the subject well, not in excess of what are reasonable, attributable to each non-consenting working interest.
- (12) That all proceeds from production from the subject well which are not disbursed for any reason should be placed in escrow to be paid to the true owner thereof upon demand and proof of ownership.
- (13) That upon the failure of the operator of said pooled unit to commence drilling of the well to which said unit is dedicated on or before January 1, 1975, the order pooling said unit should become null and void and of no effect whatsoever.
- (14) That an administrative procedure should be established to permit a delay in the required date of commencement set forth in Finding No. (13) above for good cause shown.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

(1) That all mineral interests, whatever they may be, in the Pennsylvanian formation underlying the E/2 of Section 18,

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Township 22 South, Range 27 East, NMPM, South Carlsbad Field, Eddy County, New Mexico, are hereby pooled to form a standard 320-acre gas spacing and proration unit to be dedicated to a well to be drilled at an unorthodox surface location 2045 feet from the South line and 479 feet from the East line of said Section 18.

PROVIDED HOWEVER, that the operator of said unit shall commence the drilling of said well on or before the 1st day of January, 1975, and shall thereafter continue the drilling of said well with due diligence to a depth sufficient to test the Pennsylvanian formation;

PROVIDED FURTHER, that in the event said operator does not commence the drilling of said well on or before the 1st day of January, 1975, Order (1) of this order shall be null and void and of no effect whatsoever;

PROVIDED FURTHER, that for good cause shown, the Secretary-Director of the Commission may grant an extension of time in which to commence said well of up to 90 days.

PROVIDED FURTHER, that should said well not be drilled to completion, or abandonment, within 120 days after commencement thereof, said operator shall appear before the Commission and show cause why Order (1) of this order should not be rescinded.

- (2) That Cities Service Oil Company is hereby designated the operator of the subject well and unit.
- (3) That after the effective date of this order and within 30 days prior to commencing said well, the operator shall furnish the Commission and each known working interest owner in the subject unit an itemized schedule of estimated well costs.
- (4) That within 30 days from the date the schedule of estimated well costs is furnished to him, any non-consenting working interest owner shall have the right to pay his share of estimated well costs to the operator in lieu of paying his share of reasonable well costs out of production, and that any such owner who pays his share of estimated well costs as provided above shall remain liable for operating costs but shall not be liable for risk charges.
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- (6) That within 60 days following determination of reasonable well costs, any non-consenting working interest owner that has paid his share of estimated costs in advance as provided above shall pay to the operator his pro rata share of the amount that reasonable well costs exceed estimated well costs and shall receive from the operator his pro rata share of the amount that estimated well costs exceed reasonable well costs.
- (7) That the operator is hereby authorized to withhold the following costs and charges from production:
 - (A) The pro rata share of reasonable well costs attributable to each non-consenting working interest owner who has not paid his share of estimated well costs within 30 days from the date the schedule of estimated well costs is furnished to him.
 - (B) As a charge for the risk involved in the drilling of the well, 200 percent of the pro rata share of reasonable well costs attributable to each non-consenting working interest owner who has not paid his share of estimated well costs within 30 days from the date the schedule of estimated well costs is furnished to him.
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- (10) That any unsevered mineral interest shall be considered a seven-eighths (7/8) working interest and a one-eighth (1/8) royalty interest for the purpose of allocating costs and charges under the terms of this order.
- (11) That any well costs or charges which are to be paid out of production shall be withheld only from the working interests share of production, and no costs or charges shall be withheld from production attributable to royalty interests.
- (12) That all proceeds from production from the subject well which are not disbursed for any reason shall be placed in escrow in Eddy County, New Mexico, to be paid to the true owner thereof upon demand and proof of ownership; that the operator shall notify the Commission of the name and address of said escrow agent within 90 days from the date of this order.
- (13) 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-above designated.

STATE OF NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

I. R. TRUJILLO, Chairman

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- (4) That there are interest owners in the proposed proration unit who have not agreed to pool their interests.
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- (13) That upon the failure of the operator of said pooled unit to commence drilling of the well to which said unit is dedicated on or before January 1, 1975, the order pooling said unit should become null and void and of no effect whatsoever.
- (14) That an administrative procedure should be established to permit a delay in the required date of commencement set forth in Finding No. (13) above for good cause shown.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

(1) That all mineral interests, whatever they may be, in the Pennsylvanian formation underlying the E/2 of Section 18,

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PROVIDED HOWEVER, that the operator of said unit shall commence the drilling of said well on or before the 1st day of January, 1975, and shall thereafter continue the drilling of said well with due diligence to a depth sufficient to test the Pennsylvanian formation;

PROVIDED FURTHER, that in the event said operator does not commence the drilling of said well on or before the 1st day of January, 1975, Order (1) of this order shall be null and void and of no effect whatsoever;

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PROVIDED FURTHER, that should said well not be drilled to completion, or abandonment, within 120 days after commencement thereof, said operator shall appear before the Commission and show cause why Order (1) of this order should not be rescinded.

- (2) That Cities Service Oil Company is hereby designated the operator of the subject well and unit.
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- (10) That any unsevered mineral interest shall be considered a seven-eighths (7/8) working interest and a one-eighth (1/8) royalty interest for the purpose of allocating costs and charges under the terms of this order.
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CASE NO. 5324 Order No. R-4866

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District #C
103 West Hagerman
Carlsbad, New Mexico 68220

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10,950' Morrow-Strawn Test
SE/4 NE/4 Section 18, T-22-S, R-27-E
Eddy County, New Mexico

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Please advise us of your decision in this matter at your earliest convenience. A self-addressed, stamped envelope is enclosed for your use.

Yours truly,

CITIES SERVICE OIL COMPANY

Thomas Heller Landman

THbd Enclosure

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MATKINS AND MARTIN ATTORNEYS AT LAW

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August 22, 1974

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SE/4 NE/4 Section 18, T-22-S, R-27-E

Eddy County, New Mexico

Dear Mr. Heller:

As I advised you by phone, the contents of your letters of August 2nd and 6th were presented to the Board of Education of the Carlsbad Municipal School District at its regular meeting on August 20, 1974.

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Yours very truly,

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CITIES SERVICE OIL COMPANY

Box 1919 Midland, Texas 79701 Telephone: 915 684-7131

September 10, 1974

City of Carlsbad Carlsbad, New Mexico 88220

Attention: City Administrator

Gentlemen:

Cities Service Oil Company herein applies for a permit to drill the Tracy-B No. 1 well, 479' FEL and 2045' FSL, Section 18, T-22-S, R-27-E, Eddy County, New Mexico. Included with this application is a certified check in the amount of Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) payable to the City of Carlsbad.

Subject well is located in the City of Carlsbad, New Mexico, and the following supporting information is submitted as requested in Ordinance 748, Section 3.B:

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- (3) Address of Applicant P. O. Box 1919, Midland, Texas 79701.
- (4) Registered Agent United States Corporation Company, 50 Sena Plaza, Santa Fe, New Mexico 87501.
- (5) a. Name of Lease Owner F. G. Tracy, Jr., 1601 N. Guadalupe, Carlsbad, New Mexico.
 - b. Description of Well Location See attached plat marked Exhibit I prepared by John W. West, New Mexico PESSL #676. Proration unit dedicated to well is E/2 of Section 18.
 - c. Location with Respect to Property Lines See attached plat marked Exhibit I.
 - d. Ground Elevation 3107.6' (see attached plat marked Exhibit II).

Tracy-B No. 1 Well Eddy County, New Mexico

- (6) Type of Derrick 142' jack knife.
- (7) Proposed Depth 11,700' (true vertical depth). Hole will be deviated 1143.6' northwest to a bottom hole location 825' FEL, 2145' FNL, Section 18.
- (8) Explanation of Operating Pressures of Facilities See attached schematic diagram marked Exhibit III.
- (9) Location of Compressor Not applicable.
- (10) Name of Person or Persons to be Notified in Case of Emergency -
 - 1. J. L. Bussell
 P. O. Box 1235
 Lovington, New Mexico 88260
 Office Telephone 1-505-393-2174
 Residence Telephone 1-505-396-4719
 - 2. E. Y. Wilder
 P. O. Box 1919
 Midland, Texas 79701
 Office Telephone 1-915-684-7131
 Residence Telephone 1-915-694-8626
- (11) Proposed Hole Size, Casing Program, Mud Program and Cementing Program See schematic diagram marked Exhibit IV.
- (12) Safety Provisions of Pipeline with Pressure in Excess of 250# See attached Exhibit III.

Also attached is a certified financial statement of Cities Service Company as of December 31, 1973.

If any further information is required, please advise.

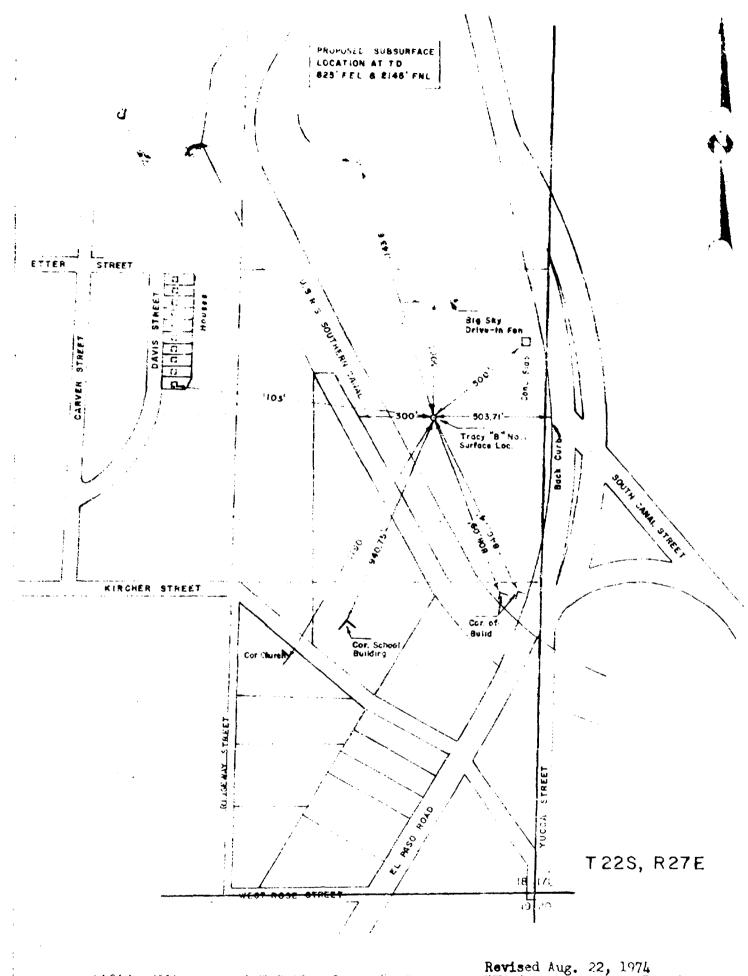
Very truly yours,

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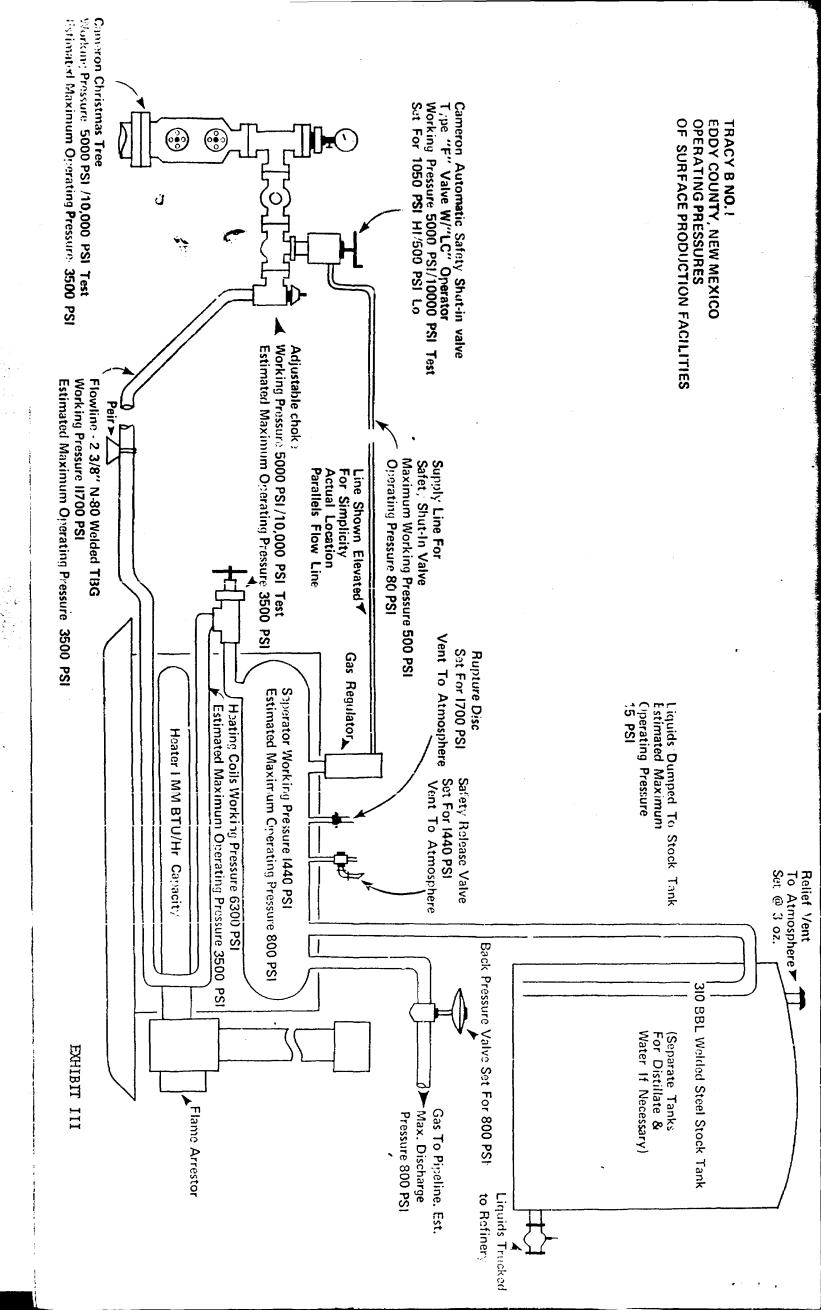
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EXHIBIT II

NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION WELL LOCATION AND ACREAGE DEDICATION PLAT

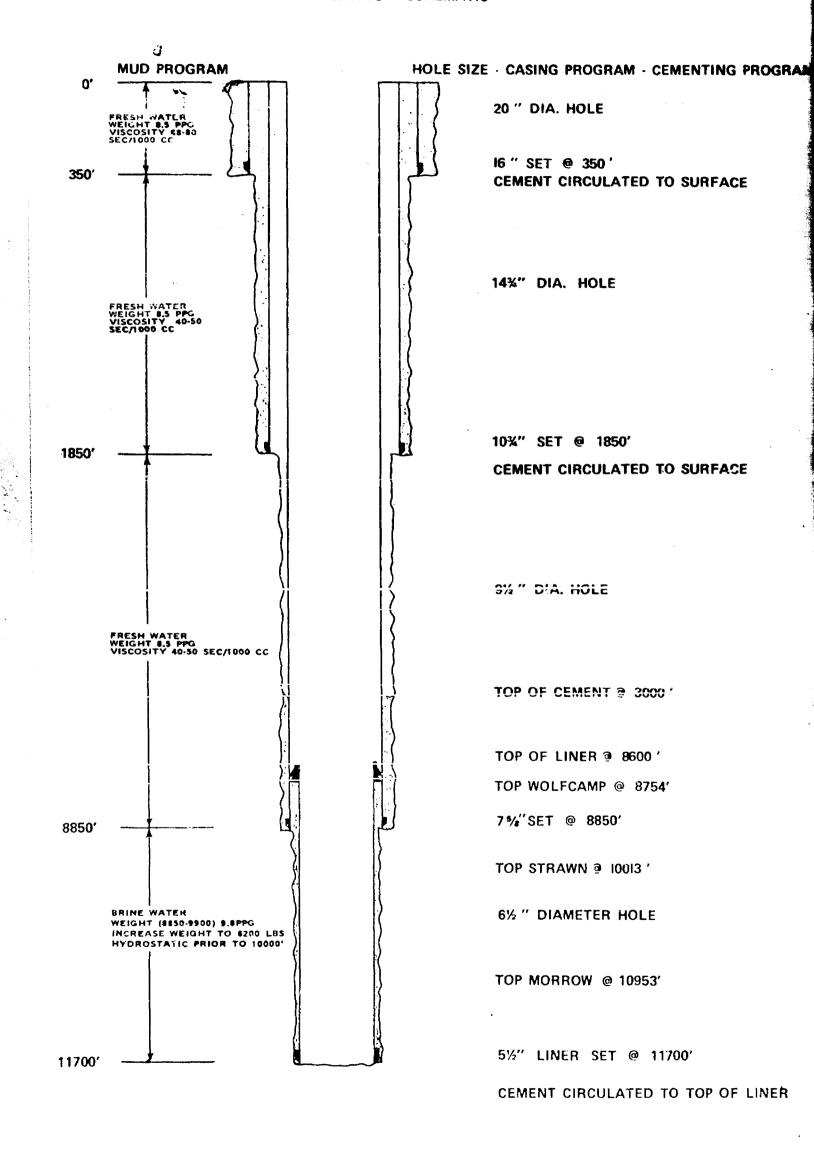
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BEFORE THE

OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION OF NEW MEXICON CONSERVATION CONSERVATION CONSERVATION

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICA-TION OF CITIES SERVICE OIL COMPANY FOR COMPULSORY POOLING, EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

APPLICATION

COMES NOW Cities Service Oil Company and applies to the Oil Conservation Commission of New Mexico for an order pooling all of the mineral interest underlying the E/2 of Section 18, Township 22 South, Range 27 East, N.M.P.M., Eddy County, New Mexico, of Pennsylvanian age or older, and in support thereof would show the Commission:

- The proposed surface location of the well to be drilled as Cities Service Oil Company's Tracy "D" Well No. 1 is 2045 feet from the South line, and 479 feet from the East line of said Section 18, within the City -limits of the City of Carlsbad, New Mexico.
- 2. Applicant proposes to bottom said well, insofar as the Morrow formation is concern ... a point approximately 2145 feet from the North line and 825 feet from the East line of Tection 18, or at a point within a 165foot radius of said point. In the event production is encountered in the Strawn formation, the bottom-hole

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location in the Strawn will be approximately 2600 feet from the North line, and 675 feet from the East line of Section 18, or within a 100-foot radius of said point.

- 3. Permission to make the surface location proposed, and to deviate the well bore in order to comply with the ordinances of the City of Carlsbad, New Mexico, is being sought in an application filed concurrently with this application.
- 4. All interest owners have agreed to either farm out or to participate of pool their interest in the drilling of the proposed well with the exception of those persons whose names and addresses to the best of applicant's information and belief are listed on Exhibit "A" attached to this application and made a part hereof for all purposes.
- 5. Applicant has made diligent effort to obtain voluntary agreement from the listed interest owners and has been unable to obtain such agreement.
- 6. In order to prevent waste, and to protect correlative rights it is necessary that the described lands be pooled for production from formations of Pennsylvanian age or older.
- 7. Because of the risks involved in directionally drilling in the Carlsbad area, and the additional burdens imposed upon the operator by the provisions of the City Ordinance of the City of Carlsbad, location of the well, and other factors, a risk factor of not less than 200% should be granted operator, to be recovered proportionally out of any non-consenting owner's share of production.

WHEREFORE applicant prays that this application be set for hearing before the Commission or the Commission's duly appointed examiner, and that after notice and hearing as required by law the Commission enter its order pooling all of the E/2 of Section 18, Township 22 South, Range 27 East, N.M.P.M., as to formations of Pennsylvanian age or older, designating applicant as operator, together with provision for applicant to recover its costs of drilling and completing said well out of production, the allocation of such costs, as well as actual operating costs and charges for supervision, and a charge of not less than 200% for the risk involved in drilling said well, and such other and further provision as may be proper.

Respectfully submitted,
CITIES SERVICE OIL COMPANY

CITIES SERVICE OIL COMPANY

KELLAHIN & FOX P. O. Box 1769

Santa Fe, New Mexico 87501

ATTORNEYS FOR APPLICANT

EXHIBIT "A"

WORKING INTEREST OWNERS

	Acres
Michael Grace National Parks Highway Carlsbad, New Mexico 88220	28.0581
R. C. Bennett 102 Permian Building Midland, Texas 79701	50.7379
C. R. Cahill	
P. O. Box 162 Midland, Texas 79701	4.2362
R. G. Barton, Jr. & E. L. Latham, Jr.	
P. O. Box 978 Hobbs, New Mexico 88240	.6129

UNLEASED MINERAL OWNERS

	Acres
Carlsbad Municipal Schools, District #C	
103 W. Hagerman Carlsbad, New Mexico 88220	5.3000

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UNLEASED TOWN LOTS

			Acres
X	Maria Contreras 204 Peach Tree		.243285
	Carlsbad, New Mexico	88220	
	Juan Sarabia 210 Peach Tree		.293273
	Carlsbad, New Mexico	88220	
X	Mrs. E. M. Navarrette 1413 W. Bronson Carlsbad, New Mexico		.287534
. `	Carlsbad, New Mexico	88220	
Y	Thomas Granger 2404 Avenue B		.316804
^	Carlsbad, New Mexico	88220	
	Meliton Fierro		.611417
	Box 922 Carlsbad, New Mexico	88220	
	Armando Larez		.118801
	"J" Grocery, S. Canal		. T.TOOAT
	Carlsbad, New Mexico	88220	
	Property Appraisal Der State of New Mexico		.132001
	609 N. Maple Carlsbad, New Mexico	<u>-</u>	
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X	Fred Williams Box 269		.132001
	Carlsbad, New Mexico	88220	
	Nettie Montgomery & E. 605 Lakeside Drive	. Barker; City	.261134
	Carlsbad, New Mexico	88220	
	Margie McBeth		.153122
	319 Peach Tree Carlsbad, New Mexico	88220	
	Alberto Mendoza		.278925
	Box 846	00000	
	Carlsbad, New Mexico	88220	
	Polly C. Frazier Rt. 7, Box 62		.258264
	Conroe, Texas		
	Lela Bell Giddens		.129132
	2602 Carver Carlsbad, New Mexico	88220	

	Charles Coleman 220 Plum St. Carlsbad, New Mexico	88220	.129132
×	Manuel Juarez 214 Plum St. Carlsbad, New Mexico	88220	.129132
	Joe C. Sarabia 210 Plum Street Carlsbad, New Mexico	88220	.129132
	Canuto Salcido 206 Plum Street Carlsbad, New Mexico	88220	.129132
	Carlsbad Nat'l Bank Tr Carlsbad New Mexico 88220	rust Department	.116219
X	Fred R. Williams Box 269 Carlsbad, New Mexico	88220	.275482
	J. D. Rogers 509 Dallas Drive Carlsbad, New Mexico	88220	.091827
	Pecos Enterprises 1305 Alpha Carlsbad, New Mexico		.179981
	Enriqueta Galindo 730 E. Clauson Road Turlock, California		.179981
	Trustees of Church of 2817 Davis Carlsbad, New Mexico	God in Christ	.215306
X	Harmon N. Colley 2306 Carver Carlsbad, New Mexico		.190082
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	Leonel Martinez 604 W. Alvarado Carlsbad, New Mexico		.190082
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	Mrs. N. S. Hurd 305 Plum St. Carlsbad, New Mexico	88220	.163567
	Lobelia King Corner of Carver & Plu Carlsbad, New Mexico	um Streets	.255492
X	Eugene O. Rodrigues 2205 Carver		.204430
	M. M. Martinez 14202 Fairgrove	88220	.537190
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K	Benito Fierro 1804 Carver Carlsbad, New Mexico	88220	.196395
	Ruby Brown (No Address)		.223372
	Sam Alexander Corner of Carver & Dav Carlsbad, New Mexico		.426187
	Robert L. Cummings 2302 N. Florez Dr Tucson, Arizona 85705	i	.293847

	Admin. of Veterans Affairs & Curtis Moore Davis Street Carlsbad, New Mexico 88220	.183654
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	Homer Rogers 2700 Stanton Drive Las Vegas, Nevada 89031	.183654
*	Alvaro H. Molinar 306 Monclair Carlsbad, New Mexico 88220	.189393
X	Admin. of Veterans Affairs Montclair Carlsbad, New Mexico 88220	.378786
	Roxie Doyle Corner of San Jose Bld. & Montclair Sts. Carlsbad, New Mexico 88220	.454545
	Fernando Renteria, Jr. Prices Dairy Carlsbad, New Mexico 86220	.189393
	Evelyn Ford Box 236 Dexter, New Mexico 88230	.189393
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	Allen De Pew 1106 Normandy Carlsbad, New Mexico 88220	.183654
	Jullean Harkness Rt. , Box 71 Loving, New Mexico	.564049
	Victorio Rodriguez Box 211, Grants New Mexico	.349954
	Latin American Assemblies of God Corner of Kircher & Ridgeway Carlsbad, New Mexico 88220	.380000

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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. 532 54

Order No. R- 4866

Application of Cities Service Oil Company for Compulsory Pooling, Eddy County, New Mentico

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ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

BY THE COMMISSION:

This cause came on for hearing at 9 a.m. on September 18. 1924 at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner 1845

NOW, on this day of , 19 , 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, Cities Service Oil Company, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests in the Pennsylvanian formation underlying the C/2 of Section 18, Township 22 500th, Range 27 Cost, NMPM, South Carls bad Field, Eddy County, New Mexico.

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(3) That the applicant has the right to drill and proposes to drill a well of an unor the doc location 2045 feet from the Set in and 479 feet from the Cost line and 479 feet from the Cost line and 5000 Setting 18.

(4) That there are interest owners in the proposed proration unit who have not agreed to pool their interests.

- (5) That to avoid the drilling of unnecessary wells, to protect correlative rights, and to afford to the owner of each interest in said unit the opportunity to recover or receive without unnecessary expense his just and fair share of the gas in said pool, the subject application should be approved by pooling all mineral interests, whatever the may be, within said unit.
- (6) That the applicant should be designated the operator of the subject well and unit.
- (7) That any non-consenting working interest owner should be afforded the opportunity to pay his share of estimated well costs to the operator in lieu of paying his share of reasonable well costs out of production.
- (8) That any non-consenting working interest owner that does not pay his share of estimated well costs should have withheld from production his share of the reasonable well costs plus an additional 200 thereof as a reasonable charge for the risk involved in the drilling of the well.
- (9) That any non-consenting interest owner should be afforded the opportunity to object to the actual well costs but that actual well costs should be adopted as the reasonable well costs in the absence of such objection.
- (10) That following determination of reasonable well costs, any non-consenting working interest owner that has paid his share of estimated costs should pay to the operator any amount that reasonable well costs exceed estimated well costs and should receive from the operator any amount that paid estimated well costs exceed reasonable well costs.

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driving of said well with due diligence to a depth sufficient to test the Pennsylvanian formation;

PROVIDED FURTHER, that in the event said operator does not commence the drilling of said well on or before the standard day of Sanuary, 1975, Order (1) of this order shall be null and

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PROVIDED FURTHER, that should said well not be drilled to completion, or abandonment, within 120 days after commencement thereof, said operator shall appear before the Commission and show cause why Order (1) of this order should not be rescinded.

- (2) That <u>Cities Service Oil Comp</u> is hereby designated the operator of the subject well and unit.
- (3) That after the effective date of this order and at least 30 days prior to commencing said well, the operator shall furnish the Commission and each known working interest owner in the subject unit an itemized schedule of estimated well costs.
- (4) That within 30 days from the date the schedule of estimated well costs is furnished to him, any non-consenting working interest owner shall have the right to pay his share of estimated well costs to the operator in lieu of paying his share of reasonable well costs out of production, and that any such owner who pays his share of estimated well costs as provided above shall remain liable for operating costs but shall not be liable for risk charges.
- known working interest owner an itemized schedule of actual well costs within 90 days following completion of the well; that if no objection to the actual well costs is received by the Commission and the Commission has not objected within 45 days following receipt of said schedule, the actual well costs shall be the reasonable well costs; provided however, that if there is an objection to actual well costs within said 45-day period the Commission will determine reasonable well costs after public notice and hearing.
- (6) That within 60 days following determination of reasonable well costs, any non-consenting working interest owner that has paid his share of estimated costs in advance as provided

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above shall pay to the operator his pro rata share of the amount that reasonable well costs exceed estimated well costs and shall receive from the operator his pro rata share of the amount that estimated well costs exceed reasonable well costs.

- (7) That the operator is hereby authorized to withhold the following costs and charges from production:
 - (A) The pro rata share of reasonable well costs attributable to each non-consenting working interest owner who has not paid his share of estimated well costs within 30 days from the date the schedule of estimated well costs is furnished to him.
 - (B) As a charge for the risk involved in the drilling of the well, 200 per of the pro rata share of reasonable well costs attributable to each non-consenting working interest owner who has not paid his share of estimated well costs within 30 days from the date the schedule of estimated well costs is furnished to him.
- (8) That the operator shall distribute said costs and charges withheld from production to the parties who advanced the well costs.

charge for supervision (combined fixed rates); that the operator is hereby authorized to withhold from production the proportionate share of such supervision charge attributable to each non-consenting working interest, and in addition thereto, the operator is hereby authorized to withhold from production the proportionate share of actual expenditures required for operating such well not in excess of what are reasonable, attributable to each non-consenting working interest.

(9) That \$ 1536.00 person the is hereby fixed as a reasonable charge for supervision (combined find rates while drilling, and

That \$ 216.00 per month is hereby fixed as a while producting reasonable charge for supervision (combined fixed rates) provided that this rate shall be adjusted on the first day of April of each year following the effective date of this order; that the adjustment shall be computed by multiplying the rate currently in use by the percentage increase or decrease in the average weekly earnings of Crude Petroleum and Gas Production Workers for the last calendar year compared to the preceding calendar year as shown by "The Index of Average Weekly Earnings of Crude Petroleum and Gas Production Workers" as published by the United States Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, and the adjusted rate shall be the rates currently in use, plus or minus the computed adjustment; that the operator is hereby authorized to withhold from production the proportionate share of such supervision charge attributable to each non-consenting working interest, and in addition thereto, the operator is hereby authorized to withhold from production the proportionate share of actual expenditures required for operating such well, not in excess of what are reasonable, attributable to each non-consenting working interest.

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- (10) That any unsevered mineral interest shall be considered a seven-eighths (7/8) working interest and a one-eighth (1/8) royalty interest for the purpose of allocating costs and charges under the terms of this order.
- (11) That any well costs or charges which are to be paid out of production shall be withheld only from the working interests share of production, and no costs or charges shall be withheld from production attributable to royalty interests.
- well which are not disbursed for any reason shall be placed in escrow in County, New Mexico, to be paid to the true owner thereof upon demand and proof of ownership; that the operator shall notify the Commission of the name and address of said escrow agent within 90 days from the date of this order.
- (13) 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.

BARTON



CITIES SERVICE OIL COMPANY

Box 1919 Midland, Texas 79701 Telephone: 915 684-7131

August 21, 1974

Mr. R. G. Barton, Jr. Mr. E. L. Latham, Jr. P. O. Box 978 Hobbs, New Mexico 88240

Belco Petroleum Corporation Wilco Building Midland, Texas 79701

Mr. C. R. Cahill P. O. Box 162 Midland, Texas 79701 Mr. Michael Grace National Parks Highway Carlsbad, New Mexico 88220

Mr. Dan L. Hannifin P. O. Bor 182 Roswell, New Mexico 88201

Re: Proposed Cities No. 1 Tracy "B"
Morrow-Strawn Test
E/2 Section 18, T-22-S, R-27-E
Eddy County, New Mexico

Gentlemen:

As we have previously discussed, the above proposed Unit, with the exception of the SE/4 NE/4 and the NE/4 SE/4, is chiefly made up of town lots. In order that we may proceed with the tabulation of each party's interest, it would be most advantageous to us if you could furnish Cities with a list of exactly what acreage you have leased in the E/2.

Your early response to this request will be greatly appreciated.

Yours truly,

CITIES SERVICE OIL COMPANY

Tom Heller Landman

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Midland, Texas 79701

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August 1, 1974

TO:

ADDRESSEES

(See Attached List)

SUBJECT:

Proposed Cities #1 Tracy "B" 10,950' Morrow-Strawn Test

SE/4 NE/4 Section 18, T-22-S, R-27-E

Eddy County, New Mexico

GENTLEMEN:

We propose to drill in the very near future a 10,950' Morrow-Strawn test at a surface location in the SE/4 NE/4 Section 18, T-22-S, R-27-E, Eddy County, New Mexico, and directionly drill to a bottom hole location 1980' FNL and 660' FEL. The estimated cost to drill and complete this well as a dual producer is \$610,653. A dry hole is estimated to cost \$416,309. The location is within the city limits and the above costs do not include the expense of conformance to the recently adopted ordinance by the City of Carlsbad.

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CITIES SERVICE OIL COMPANY

Thomas Heller Landman

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Box 1919 Midland, Texas 79701 Telephone: 915 684-7131

August 6, 1974

TO:

ADDRESSEE3

(See Attached List)

SUBJECT:

Proposed Cities #1 Tracy "B" 10,950' Morrow-Strawn Test

SE/4 NE/4 Section 18, T-22-S, R-27-E

Eddy County, New Mexico

GENTLEMEN:

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Eddy County, New Mexico

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Mr. Joe Don Cook P. O. Box 159 Roswell, New Mexico 88201

Re: Proposed Cities \$1 Tracy "B"
11,600' Norrow-Strawn Test
SE/4 NE/4 Section 18, T-22-S, R-27-E
Eddy County, New Mexico

Dear Mr. Cook:

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Please advise us of your decision in this matter at your earliest convenience. A self-addressed, stamped envelope is enclosed for your use.

Yours truly,

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Joe Don Cook
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Oil Properties Roswell, New Mexico 88201 PHONE 505 623-7096

August 30, 1974

Cities Service Oil Co. Box 1919 Midland, Texas 79701

RE: Cities # 1 Tracy "B"

Dear Sir:

How much money will you receive per million cubic feet of gas ?

If you have a proper AFE, please furnish us with same. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Joe Don Cook

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September 9, 1974

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Doe Don Cook

P. O. Box 182

Roswell, New Mexico 88201

P. O. Box 159
Roswell, New Mexico 83201

Subject: Tracy "B" No. 1

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Eddy County, New Mexico

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We anticipate a Commission hearing around the middle of September.

Yours very truly,

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Morrow-Strawn Test
E/2 Section 18, T-22-S, R-27-E
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ROY G. BARTON, JR. OIL PRODUCER

August 7, 1974

Cities Service 011 Co. Box 1919 Midland, Texas 79701

Attention: Mr. Thomas Heller:

Re: Cities #1 Tracy "B"

SE/4NE/4 Sec. 18, T-22-S, R-27-E, Eddy County, N.M.

Dear Mr. Heller:

Thank you for your letter of August 1st.

Mr. E. L. Latham Jr. and myself have taken Cities proposal under consideration, and we do not feel that at the present time we can justify participating with you.

We will consider signing an operating agreement wherein Cities would recover 125% of the drilling and completion costs spent on our behalf.

We wish you the best of luck on this venture.

Very truly yours,

Roy G. Barton Jr.

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