

Case No.

165

Application, Transcript,
Small Exhibits, Etc.

Order for order to drill northward local.

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Section 19, T. 29 N., R. 11. W., N.M.P.M.

Company JENKINS DRILLING COMPANY.

Lease Cassidy

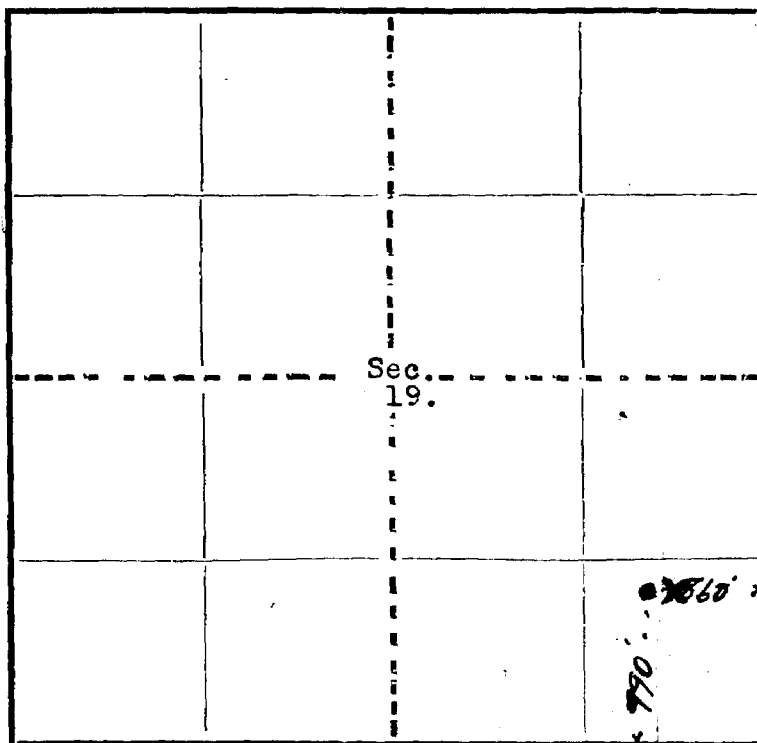
Well No. will use

Sec. 19, T. 29 N., R. 11. W., N.M.P.M.

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Location Being 990' North & 860' West from the
Southeast corner of said section 19.
 San Juan County New Mexico

*0101 5 mi 610 E 1
990 S line*



*1320
860
460*

*1320
990*

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Scale—4 inches equals 1 mile.

This is to certify that the above plat was prepared from field notes of actual surveys made ~~by~~ under my supervision and that the same are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

H. H. Miller

Seal:

Registered Professional
Engineer and Land Surveyor.

Farmington, New Mexico

Surveyed by Clair Olson, October 23, 1948.

*Order of Survey State of New Mexico
 5 mi. of land from the corner of Sec. 19
 200 ft. allowance to the surveyor*

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION
STATE OF NEW MEXICO
OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

The State of New Mexico by its Oil Conservation Commission hereby gives notice, pursuant to law, of the following public hearing to be held October 28, 1948, beginning at 10:00 o'clock A.M. on that day in the City of Santa Fe, New Mexico.

STATE OF NEW MEXICO TO:

All named parties in the following cases, and notice to the public:

CASE 163

In the matter of the petition of Stanolind Oil and Gas Company for the adoption of regulations establishing the 640 acre spacing in the Blanco Field in San Juan County, New Mexico; establishing the location of the initial well on each 640; fixing regulations as to the setting of pipe; and for back pressure tests of the various stratas.

CASE 165

In the matter of application of Jenkins and McQueen for order granting permission to drill unorthodox location designated as Well No. 1 on their Cassidy lease, described as NW/4 NE/4 SE/4 (2970 feet south of the north line and 990 feet west of the east line) section 19, T.29N, R.11W, N.M.P.M., in the Kutz Canyon-Fulcher Basin Field of San Juan County, New Mexico.

Given under the seal of the Oil Conservation Commission of New Mexico at Santa Fe, New Mexico on October 13, 1948.

STATE OF NEW MEXICO
OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

By R. R. Spurrier
R. R. SPURRIER, Secretary

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

8 November 1948

Mr. H. M. Salmon
Albuquerque, New Mexico

Dear Sir:

This is in answer to your letter of November 4th regarding a gas well located near your property line in Section 30, T29N - R11E.

This well is being drilled by the Jenkins Drilling Company on the Cassidy lease. According to a survey plat submitted with the Notice of Intention to Drill, this well is located 990 feet north of the south line and approximately 660 feet west of the east line of Section 19, Township 29 North, Range 11 West. Since this survey was made by a registered land surveyor we believe it is correct.

As long as this well is 990 feet north of the south property line it is within the legal limits set by the Commission. There is nothing unorthodox about the location except the 160 acres was not in the shape of a square, and it was impossible to locate the required 990 feet from the east or west line.

I hope this will answer your question in a satisfactory manner.

Very truly yours,

FRANK C. BARNES
Geologist

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NOV 10 1948
P. O. Box 1695, Albuquerque, N.M.
November 4, 1948

Oil Conservation Commission
P. O. Box 871
Santa Fe, New Mexico

Gentlemen:

I am a resident of Albuquerque, New Mexico and own some property in San Juan County, Near Bloomfield, New Mexico.

On a recent trip to that area, I noticed that someone is drilling an oil well near my privately controlled land in Section 30, T. 29 N., R. 11 E. I contacted Mr. Al Greer in Aztec regarding this, and he informed me that this was an unorthodox location granted by the Commission to Mr. G. R. Cassidy to drill a well in the $SE\frac{1}{4}SE\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 19, above township and range. In the hearing on the granting of the right for him to drill this well, it stated that he was to drill this well 990 feet from the south section line, and 660 feet west of the east line of Section 19. I believe that if a check is made, you will find that this well is only some 200 or 300 feet from my property line. Knowing that others have drilled wells almost entirely surrounding the Cassidy place, I feel that Mr. Cassidy should have had the right to drill a well on his property. However, I do not feel that I should be the one who should suffer from the allowance of this unorthodox location.

Hoping that you investigate this and advise me in the near future, I am

Very truly yours,

H. M. Salmon
H. M. Salmon

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JOSEPH L. EGAN
PRESIDENT

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NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

IN REGARD TO CASE NUMBER 165 WE RECOMMEND THAT THE

UNORTHODOX DRILLING UNIT BE APPROVED=

SOUTHERN UNION GAS CO VAN THOMPSON=

Exhibit B
Case 165

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THE COMPANY WILL APPRECIATE SUGGESTIONS FROM ITS PATRONS CONCERNING ITS SERVICE

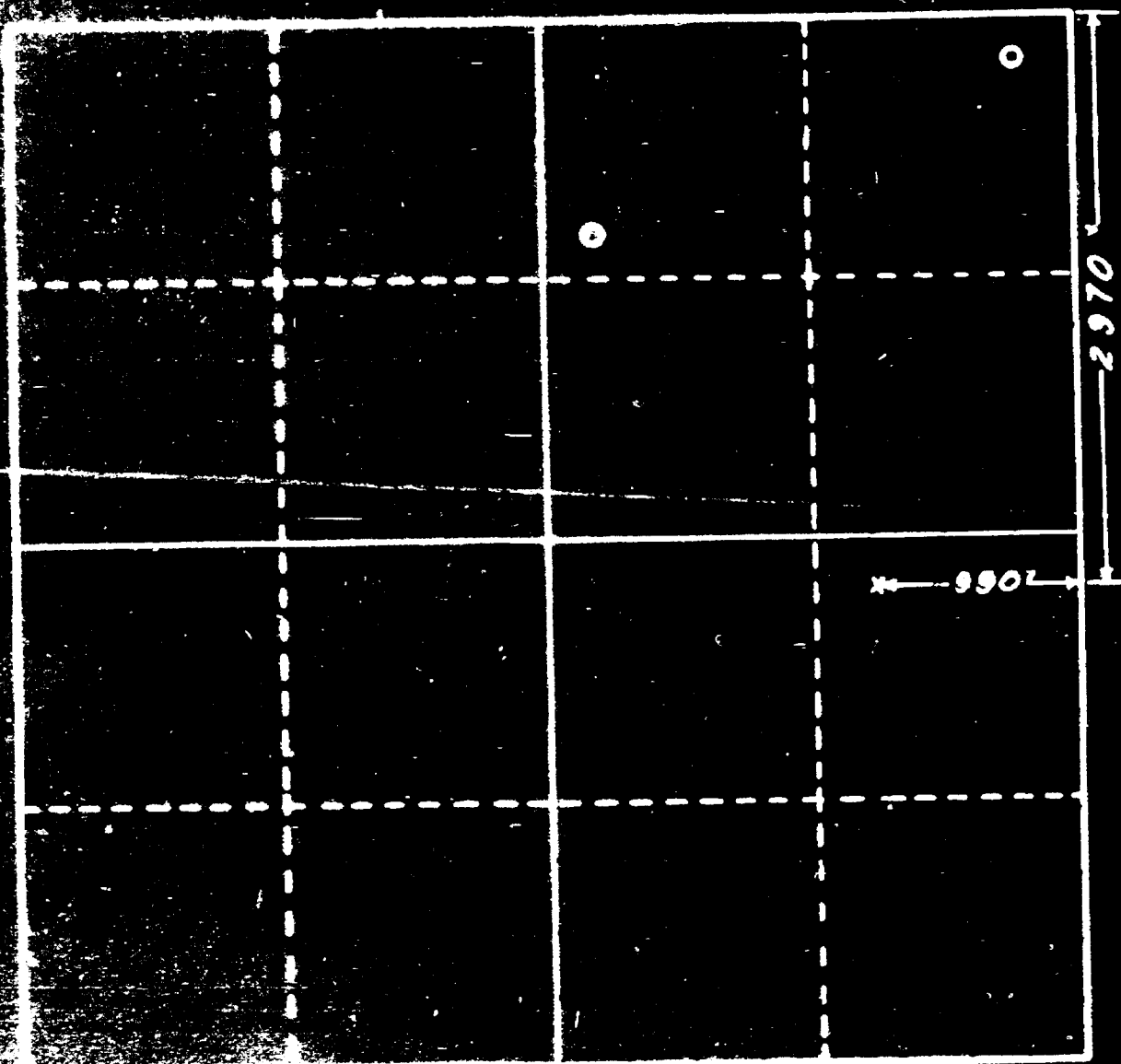


Diagram illustrating the layout of a rectangular area, possibly a floor plan or a map, showing dimensions and internal divisions.

Exhibit _____

Case 165

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. 165

ORDER NO. 800

THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF
JENKINS AND MC QUEEN FOR ORDER
GRANTING PERMISSION TO DRILL
UNORTHODOX LOCATION DESIGNATED AS
WELL NO. 1 ON THEIR CASSIDY (fee)
LEASE, DESCRIBED AS ~~SE¹SE¹~~,
SECTION 19, TOWNSHIP 29 NORTH,
RANGE 11 WEST, N.M.P.M. IN THE KUTZ
CANYON-FULCHER BASIN FIELD OF SAN JUAN
COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

BY THE COMMISSION:

This cause came on for hearing at 10:00 o'clock a.m. on October 28, 1948, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before the Oil Conservation Commission of New Mexico hereinafter referred to as the "Commission."

NOW, on this 19th day of November, 1948, the Commission having before it for consideration the testimony adduced at the hearing aforesaid

FINDS:

1. That the Commission has jurisdiction of the subject matter;
2. That under the provisions of Order No. 748 heretofore issued by the Commission in Case No. 126 fixing 160-acre spacing for wells in the Kutz Canyon-Fulcher Basin Field authority was retained by the Commission to grant exceptions and permit drilling locations under certain conditions, for example, where the tract of land is nonconformable in size or shape;
3. That applicants' tract of land as to shape falls within such exception;
4. That the Federal Supervisor of Oil and Gas interposes no objection to an unorthodox well location along a north-south line 660 feet from the east-west boundary lines of ~~SE¹SE¹~~, ~~NE¹SE¹~~, ~~SE¹NE¹~~ of section 19, Township 29 South, Range 11 West, N.M.P.M.
5. That drilling of a well on proposed location, if production is had, will promote the interests of conservation by adding to the ultimate recovery of gas from the field.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that effective November 1, 1948, the applicants Jenkins and McQueen, a partnership, be and they hereby are granted permission to drill their Well No. 1 on its Cassidy (fee) lease not less than 990 feet north of the south line and 660 feet west of the east line of ~~SE¹SE¹~~, ~~NE¹SE¹~~, ~~SE¹NE¹~~ section 19, Township 29 North, Range 11 West, N.M.P.M. PROVIDED, however, that because of the irregular topography of the land included in said Cassidy lease, the applicants are hereby granted and allowed a 200-foot location tolerance, and applicant shall forthwith provide the Commission with a surveyor's certificate showing the correct footage information as to actual location of said well;

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that this well shall be drilled, cased, and completed in conformity with the rules and regulations of the Commission and be subject to inspection of State Oil and Gas Inspector for the San Juan County area.

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

STATE OF NEW MEXICO
OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Chairman

John E. Miles

Member

L. L. Goussier

Secretary

BEFORE THE OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO

IN THE MATTER OF APPLICATION OF
JENKINS AND McQUEEN FOR ORDER
GRANTING PERMISSION TO DRILL
UNORTHODOX LOCATION DESIGNATED AS
WELL NO. 1 ON THEIR CASSIDY LEASE,
DESCRIBED AS NW/4 NE/4 SE/4
SECTION 19, T.29 N, R.11 W, N.M.P.M.
IN THE KUTZ CANYON-FULCHER BASIN
FIELD OF SAN JUAN COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

CASE NO. 165

APPLICATION

C. L. JENKINS and I. R. McQUEEN, a partnership doing business as Jenkins and McQueen, applicants herein, have their principal office in Blackwell, Oklahoma, and are authorized to do business in the State of New Mexico, and in connection herewith respectfully show to the Commission:

1. That applicants are the operators of a 160-acre lease of fee lands, being more fully described:

T.29 N, R.11 W
S/2 SE/4 section 19
NE/4 SE/4 section 19
SE/4 NE/4 section 19

2. That said lands are within what is designated as the Pictured Cliffs gas producing pool in the Kutz-Canyon-Fulcher Basin area, where the requirement is that no well shall be located on a drilling unit of less than 160 acres, in the shape of a square, except for normal variations in legal subdivisions of the United States Lands Surveys.

3. That although the lease on the above described lands consists of 160 acres, it is not in the shape of a square. However, the property sought to be drilled is located within a then developed portion of the pool and its non-conforming size or shape is due to the adjoining developed properties in the pool.

4. There are only two wells in the section, and both of these were drilled prior to Order No. 748 of the New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission, so that according to Finding H of that Order, a special ruling should be granted. (Plat attached, marked Exhibit "A")

5. That the proposed well will not directly offset any adjoining well.

6. In accordance with Section 1 (c) of Order No. 748, the proposed well is to be located 2310 feet north of the south line and 990 feet west of the east line of section 19, which assures the well will be located 990 feet from the unit boundary.

7. The rig that is assigned to drill this well is being held up, at considerable expense, pending permission to drill this unorthodox location.

8. That if not allowed to drill, the petitioner will lose all value or gain from the 160 acres, since they hold no adjoining acreage to combine into a 160-acre square.

9. That the drilling of a well in the proposed location will promote the interests of conservation by adding to the ultimate gas recovery from the lease.

WHEREFORE, petitioner respectfully requests that it be granted permission to drill a well for oil and/or gas at the location above set forth, and that a date be set for hearing this petition; and that all proper orders be made in the premises.

JENKINS AND McQUEEN

C. L. Jenkins
/s/ C. L. Jenkins,
Partner,
petitioner

