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STATE OF NEW MEXICO)
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I, ADA DEARNLEY, Court Reporter, do hereby certify that the foregoing and attached transcript of proceedings before the New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission at Santa Fe, New Mexico, is a true and correct record to the best of my knowledge, skill and ability.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF I have affixed my hand and notarial seal this 3rd day of July, 1963.

Ada Dearnley
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My commission expires:

June 19, 1967.

I do hereby certify that the foregoing is a complete record of the proceedings in the Examiner hearing of Case No. 2841 heard by me on 6/26, 1963.

James, Examiner
New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission



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July 25, 1963

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. 2841

Order No. R- 2533

APPLICATION OF SHELL OIL COMPANY
FOR AN UNORTHODOX LOCATION, LEA
COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

BY THE COMMISSION:

This cause came on for hearing at 9 o'clock a.m. on
July 24, 1963, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Daniel S. Nutter,
Examiner duly appointed by the Oil Conservation Commission of New
Mexico, hereinafter referred to as the "Commission," in accordance
with Rule 1214 of the Commission Rules and Regulations.

NOW, on this _____ day of July, 1963, the Commission,
a quorum being present, having considered ~~the application, the~~
~~evidence adduced, and~~ the recommendations of the Examiner,
Daniel S. Nutter, 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 ~~attorney for the Commission stated that the~~
attorney for the applicant ~~had requested~~ ^{moved}, prior to the hearing,
~~that the subject case be dismissed and moved to dismiss the~~ ^{subject} case.

(3) That Case No. 2841 should be dismissed.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

That Case No. 2841 is hereby dismissed.

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

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BEFORE THE OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION
OF NEW MEXICO

APPLICATION OF SHELL OIL COMPANY
FOR AN UNORTHODOX GAS WELL
LOCATION, LUSK-MORROW GAS POOL,
LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

APPLICATION

Comes now Shell Oil Company by its attorneys and applies to the New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission for approval of an unorthodox gas well location in the Lusk-Morrow Gas Pool, and in support of its application states:

1. That Shell Oil Company is the owner and operator of Section 31, Township 19 South, Range 32 East, Lea County, New Mexico, which section contains 640 acres, more or less.
2. That Shell Oil Company heretofore has drilled its Middleton Federal Well No. B-1 to the Strawn formation at a location 660 feet from the North line and 660 feet from the West line of said Section 31 which well was found to be nonproductive in the Strawn formation.
3. That Shell Oil Company seeks permission to deepen the said Middleton Federal Well No. B-1 at the above described location and to attempt a completion of said well in the Lusk-Morrow Gas Pool.
4. That the location of the said Middleton Federal Well No. B-1, as above described, is unorthodox and an exception is needed to the provisions of Rule 3 of the Special Rules and Regulations for the Lusk-Morrow Gas Pool, order No. R-2373, case No. 2691.
5. That the approval of said unorthodox location will prevent waste and will protect correlative rights.

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WHEREFORE, the applicant, Shell Oil Company, requests that this application be set for hearing before the Commission or one of its examiners, and that following said hearing the Commission enter its order approving the unorthodox location of the Middleton Federal Well No. B-1 as set forth in this application.

SETH, MONTGOMERY, FEDERICI & ANDREWS

By Richard S. Morris
Attorneys for Shell Oil Company

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No. 21-63

- (Continued from July 10, 1963 examiner hearing)
- CASE 2850: Application of Shell Oil Company for a unit agreement, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval of the East Pearl-Queen Unit Area comprising 2440 acres of State and Fee lands in Township 19 South, Range 35 East, Lea County, New Mexico.
- CASE 2851: (Continued from July 10, 1963 examiner hearing and readvertised)
- Application of Shell Oil Company for a waterflood project, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks authority to institute a waterflood project on its East Pearl Queen Unit by the injection of water into the Queen formation through 31 wells in Sections 15, 21, 22, 26, 27, 28, 34, and 35, Township 19 South, Range 35 East, Lea County, New Mexico.
- CASE 2869: Application of Marathon Oil Company for a dual completion, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval of the dual completion (conventional) of its State Warn A/c 3 Well No. 5, located in Unit H of Section 33, Township 17 South, Range 35 East, Lea County, New Mexico, to produce from the Vacuum-Abo Reef Pool and either an undesignated Blinbry or Glorieta pool through parallel strings of 2 1/16" OD tubing.
- CASE 2870: Application of J. Gregory Merrion & Associates for compulsory pooling, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order force-pooling all mineral interests in the Basin-Dakota Gas Pool underlying the S/2 of Section 34, Township 25 North, Range 6 West, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico.

DOCKET: EXAMINER HEARING - WEDNESDAY - JULY 24, 1963

9:00 A.M. - OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION CONFERENCE ROOM.
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The following cases will be heard before Daniel S. Nutter, Examiner, or Elvis A. Utz, as alternate examiner:

- CASE 2864: Application of Midwest Oil Corporation for a unit agreement, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval of the Custer Mountain Unit Area comprising 11,523.68 acres of State, Federal and Fee lands in Township 24 South, Range 35 East, Lea County, New Mexico.
- CASE 2865: Application of Humble Oil & Refining Company for a pressure maintenance project, San Juan County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks authority to institute a pressure maintenance project in the Gallup formation underlying its Navajo "G" lease in Sections 1, 2, 11 and 12, Township 31 North, Range 17 West, San Juan County, New Mexico. Initial injection will be through applicant's Well No. 16 located in Unit G of said Section 1. Applicant further seeks the promulgation of special rules governing the operation of said project.
- CASE 2866: Application of Humble Oil & Refining Company for a dual completion, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval of the dual completion (combination) of its State "BV" Well No. 1, located in Unit A of Section 18, Township 18 South, Range 35 East, Lea County, New Mexico, to produce oil from the Bone Springs and Devonian formations through parallel strings of 2 7/8 inch casing and 4 1/2 inch casing cemented in a common well bore.
- CASE 2867: Application of George L. Buckles Company for a waterflood project, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks authority to institute a waterflood project in the Langlie-Mattix Pool by the injection of water into the Queen formation through nine wells on its Knight lease comprising the E/2 SE/4 of Section 21, W/2 SW/4 of Section 22, Township 24 South, Range 37 East, Lea County, New Mexico.
- CASE 2868: Application of Continental Oil Company for a non-standard oil proration unit, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval of a 48.99-acre non-standard oil proration unit comprising Lots 2 and 3, Section 31, Township 26 South, Range 32 East, North Mason-Delaware Pool, Lea County, New Mexico, to be dedicated to its Russell Federal 31 Well No. 1, located in Lot 3 of said Section 31.
- CASE 2841: Application of Shell Oil Company for an unorthodox location, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks permission to drill its Middleton Federal Well No. B-1 at an unorthodox location 660 feet from the North and West lines of Section 31, Township 19 South, Range 32 East, Lusk-Morrow Gas Pool, Lea County, New Mexico.
(Cont'd from June 26, 1963)

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Re:

Case No. 2841

Order No. R-2533

Applicant:

Shell Oil Company

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.

A. L. PORTER, JR.
Secretary-Director

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Carbon copy of order also sent to:

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ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

BY THE COMMISSION:

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NOW, on this 31st day of July, 1963, the Commission, a quorum being present, having considered the recommendations of the Examiner, Daniel S. Mutter, 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 attorney for the applicant moved, prior to the hearing, to dismiss the subject case.
- (3) That Case No. 2841 should be dismissed.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

That Case No. 2841 is hereby dismissed.

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

STATE OF NEW MEXICO
OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION


JACK M. CAMPBELL, Chairman

E. S. WALKER, Member

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

esr/

BEFORE THE
NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION
Santa Fe, New Mexico
July 24, 1963

EXAMINER HEARING

IN THE MATTER OF:

(Continued from June 26, 1963)
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Middleton Federal Well No. B-1 at an
unorthodox location 660 feet from the
North and West lines of Section 31,
Township 19 South, Range 32 East, Lusk-
Morrow Gas Pool, Lea County, New Mexico.

Case No. 2841

BEFORE: Daniel S. Nutter, Examiner

TRANSCRIPT OF HEARING

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BEFORE THE
OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION
Santa Fe, New Mexico
July 24, 1963

EXAMINER HEARING

IN THE MATTER OF:

(Continued from June 26, 1963)
Application of Shell Oil Company for an un-
orthodox location, Lea County, New Mexico.
Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks
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No. B-1 at an unorthodox location 660 feet from
the North and West lines of Section 31, Township
19 South, Range 32 East, Lusk-Morrow Gas Pool,
Lea County, New Mexico.

CASE 2841

BEFORE: Daniel S. Nutter, Examiner

TRANSCRIPT OF HEARING

MR. NUTTER: We will call Case 2841.

MR. DURRETT: Application of Shell Oil Company for an
unorthodox location, Lea County, New Mexico.

MR. MORRIS: If the Examiner please, Shell Oil Company
wishes to dismiss Case 2841. Based on other development in the
area Shell is of the opinion that it would be futile to attempt
a completion in the Lusk-Morrow Gas Pool at the unorthodox location
sought by this application, and is abandoning its prospects for
this well.

MR. NUTTER: Case 2841 will be dismissed.

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STATE OF NEW MEXICO)
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COUNTY OF BERNALILLO)

I, ADA DEARNLEY, Notary Public in and for the County of Bernalillo, State of New Mexico, do hereby certify that the foregoing and attached Transcript of Hearing before the New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission was reported by me, and that the same is a true and correct record of the said proceedings to the best of my knowledge, skill, and ability.

WITNESS my Hand and Seal this 20th day of August, 1963.

Ada Dearnley
NOTARY PUBLIC

My Commission Expires:

June 19, 1967.

I do hereby certify that the foregoing is a complete record of the proceedings in the Examiner hearing of Case No. 2841, heard by me on 7/24, 1963.

[Signature], Examiner
New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission

