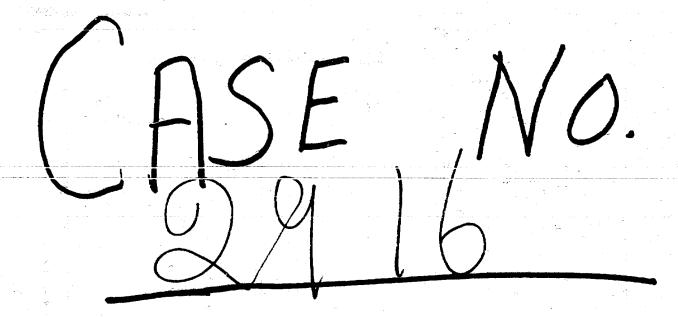
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## BEFORE THE NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION HOBBS, NEW MEXICO October 13, 1963

#### REGULAR HEARING

IN THE MATTER OF:

Application of Gulf Oil Corporation for compulsory pooling, Lea County, New Mexico.

Case No. 2916

BEFORE: E. S. "Johnnie" Walker, Land Commissioner
A. L. "Pete" Porter, Secretary-Director

#### TRANSCRIPT OF HEARING

MR. PORTER: Call case No. 2916.

MR. DURRETT: Case No. 2916, Application of Gulf Oil Corporation for compulsory pooling, Lea County, New Mexico.

MR. KASTLER: May it please the Commission, my name is Bill Kastler, from Roswell, and I am employed by and appear on behalf of Gulf Oil Corporation. Our witness in this case is Mr. John H. Hoover.

MR. PORTER: Before you have the witness sworn I would like to ask if there are any other appearances in this case, does anyone else desire to make an appearance in Case No. 2916?

The witness will stand and be sworn.

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#### DIRECT EXAMINATION

- BY MR. DURRETT:
  Q For the For the record, Mr. Hoover, would you state your name, address, the name of your employer and what position you hold?
  - John H. Hoover, employed by Gulf Oil Corporation, Roswell New Mexico, and I am the District Production Engineer.
  - Have you previously appeared before the New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission as an expert witness?
    - Yes, sir. I have.
  - And are you familiar with Gulf Oil Corporation's application in Case No. 2916, which is an application for forced pooling in the Fowler-Paddock Gas Pool?
    - - Yes, sir.
    - Mr. Porter, I submit Mr. Hoover's qualifications should

be accepted? MR. PORTER: The Commission will accept Mr. Hoover as a

- qualified witness. (by Mr. Durrett) Will you please explain what Gulf is seeking in this case?
- Yes, sir. We are asking for compulsory pooling of certain mineral interests in the Fowler-Paddock Gas Pool underlying the 23, Township 24 South, Range 37 East, Lea

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County, New Mexico.

O Why does Gulf desire forced pooling in the west half of Section 23?

A The Oil Commission, after a hearing in Case Number 2744, Order No. 2426, issued an order which established temporary special rules including a provision for 320 acre spacing in the Fowler-Paddock Gas Pool.

MR. PORTER: Excuse me, was that Order No. R-2426?

A Yes, sir. This order was to be effective March 1, 1963.

One of the findings in the issuance of this order, and I would

like to quote a part of that finding, that, "Temporary rules and

regulations establishing 320 acre spacing units should be promulgated

for the subject pool in order to prevent the possibility of an

economic loss resulting from the drilling of unnecessary wells.

- Q Mr. Hoover, I would now like to call your attention to a platewhich we have marked Exhibit 1 and will you, please, explain what is shown on Exhibit 1?
- A Yes. Exhibit 1 is a plat on which we have shown the proposed standard unit, its outlined in red, described as the west half of Section 23, Township 24 South, Range 37 East in Lea County, New Mexico. The proposed unit well being the Plains Knight Well Number 3 is circled and colored red and this well is located 1,980 feet from the south line and 760 feet from the west line of this Section 23. It was originally completed in 1953 Fowler Fusselman Oil Pool It was plugged back and recompleted



as a gas well in the Fowler-Paddock Gas Pool in April of 1962, which was prior to the issuance of the special rules for this pool

Also shown in this plat are the offsetting gas proration units, they are outlined in green, the unit well for each one of these proration units is colored in green and the non-standard unit which offsets our standard unit to the west is the one that we are particularly concerned with and the reason that it is necessary to protect our leases from drainage.

We propose to go about this by forming a standard unit.

Mr. Hoover, although you have not shown the areal extent of the Fowler-Paddock Gas Pool on Exhibit 1, is it a fact that the Towler-Faddock Gas Pool underlies all of the West half of the said Section 23?

Yes, the horizontal limits of the pool, as prescribed by the Commission, do include the west half of Section 23.

Does Gulf own all of the working interest in the West half of Section 23?

A Yes, we do. This acreage covers our Lillie Lease, which is described as the Northwest Quarter; our Plains Knight Lease, which is described as the North half of the Southwest Quarter and the Southeast Quarter of the Southwest Quarter; and our Bertha Lease, which is described as the Southwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter.

Mr. Hoover, are these lease outlines visible on Exhibit

1?

Α	Yes,	I	believe	they	are.

- Is the royalty interest common under the Plains Knight and Bertha leases.
- Yes, it is common and there are 13 royalty interests under the Southwest Quarter.
- In other words, the Bertha and the Plains Knight leases together are the Southwest Quarter of Section 23?
  - That's correct.
- Then, the royalty interests under the Northwest Quarter are different from those under the Southwest Quarter, is that correct?
- Yes, sir, that's correct, except for one royalty interest which is common to both the Northwest Quarter and the Southwest Quarter and there is, also, 13 royalty interests under the Northwest Quarter.
  - But they are different royalty owners? Q
  - Different except for one which is common to both.
  - Were these royalty owners furnished a pooling agreement?
- Yes, they were, and Exhibit 2 is a copy of a letter that we furnished to each of the royalty interests, its dated March 4, 1963, and we furnished them a copy of a proposed pooling agreement with this letter. We advised them, in this letter, of the temporary pooling rules and that the pooling would not impose a loss or penalty on any party because a well with 320 acres would be allowed to produce twice as much as one with 160 acres.



We, also, advised them that we would probably have to resort to force-pooling because the whereabouts of some of the royalty interest owners was not known.

Were there royalty interest owners who did not approve, excute and return to Gulf the pooling agreement?

Yes. Mrs. Bertha Mae McClure, whose address is 6735 Hardesty, Fort Worth, Texas, who had a 5.4% interest in the Southwest Quarter; R. S. May, whose address is, Care of the Trust Department First National Bank & Trust Company, Post Office Box 1198, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, who had a 0.0854 interest in the Northwest Quarter and Warren M. Snyder, whose address is unknown and who had a 0.3906% interest in the Northwest Quarter.

These various royalty interests that you are testifying about, are they a fraction of the 1/8 royalty or are they a fraction of 8/8's?

A They are a fraction of 8/8's.

Was Mrs. McClure contacted other than by the letter presented as Exhibit No. 2?

Yes, Mr. May and Mrs. McClure were contacted, Exhibit No. 3 is a letter, dated June 10, 1963, that was directed to Mr. R. S. May and this letter was sent registered mail with a return receipt requested, and we did receive a signed receipt as evidence that they had received the letter. We had not heard from this party, so, we sent the letter asking if they had any further questions that we could answer and we asked them to reply so that if there



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were any objections we could make them known in the event forced-pooling was necessary. We, also, sent an identical letter, which is marked Exhibit No. 4, dated June 10, 1963, to Mrs. Bertha Mae McClure.

- Now, have you heard from either of these parties to whom you addressed registered mail letters?
- A We have received nothing from Mr. R. S. May, we did receive a letter from Mr. Leonard Howell, who is attorney for Mrs. McClure and that letter is marked Exhibit No. 5, dated June 18, 1963.

The second paragraph spells out her objections and I would like to read that, "Mrs. McClure and I have agreed on the proposition that she stands to gain nothing by your proposal and your proposition could cause her to stand a loss because of her having to share her already meagre income from production with adjacent acreage owners."

- Q Now, would you explain what Exhibit No. 6 contains?
- A Exhibit No. 6 is our letter, dated June 27, 1963, in answer to Mr. Howell's letter.
  - O Have you had further correspondence concerning this pooling?
- A Yes, we have. Exhibit No. 7 is a letter, another letter,
  from Leonard Howell, dated June 29, 1963, and the second paragraph
  I would like to read, "I presume that your company will gain something by her signing such contract, or else you wouldn't be so persistent; if it is worth \$2,500.00 to your company for her to sign such agreement, please forward your draft for such amount made payable to Mrs. McClure and I will see that it is properly executed



and returned to you." At that point we reached an impasse.

O Mr. Hoover, does Gulf have any tests to show the producing capacity of the Plains Knight Well No. 3?

A Yes, but before I get into the tests, I would like to present Exhibit No. 8, dated July 2, 1963, which is our letter in answer to Mr. Howell's.

In answer to the question, do we have any tests, Exhibit No, 9 is a multi-point back pressure test taken on this well in June of 1963 and the well had an open flow potential of 2,360 MCF per day and a shut in pressure of 1499 psi. On one day it produced 1,226,000 cubic feet and at the lower rate it produced 1,681,000 cubic feet at 770 psi.

- Q Is this well capable of producing an allowable and does the acreage have a bearing on the allowable?
- acres and our contract for the sale of this gas provided for a ratable take and the acreage dedicated thereto is a factor. I, also, checked, just recently, with the purchaser to verify the fact that acreage is a factor, that they were recognizing that it is a factor and was advised that this well is carried as having a one-half unit, whereas wells with 320 acres are one unit.
  - Q What acreage is not dedicated to the Plains Knight No. 3?
  - A The Southwest Quarter is not dedicated.
- Q You testified before about the temporary 320 acre basis ruling, what would be the effect if the Commission should



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subsequently re-establish the 160 acre spacing?

A We would expect that the pooling would no longer be effective. In fact, the authority for the gas pooling that we furnished to each of the royalty interests for their approval carried a provision in there in the event that that should happen, and I would like to read that paragraph, "In the event the New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission should revoke or modify its approval of the 320 acre gas proration unit in the Fowler-Paddock Gas Pool, therefore causing such 320 acre units to be reduced, this agreement shall, as of that date, become null and void, provided, however, that in such event there shall be no adjustment for the royalty paid for the period this agreement has been in full force and effect."

- Q Mr. Hoover, is Gulf seeking to establish against these non-compensing royalty owners any liability, whatever, for the cost of the well or for its operation?
  - A No, we are not.
  - Q And you are not seeking risk factor there?
- A No, we are not, since we are pooling royalty and not working interest.
- Q Did Gulf mail copies of the Authorization for Gas Pooling to the non-compensing royalty owners whose address was known?
  - A Yes, we did.
- Q Is this application in the interest of the protection of correlative right and the prevention of waste?



A Yes, it is.

Q Was Exhibit 1 prepared by you or under your direction and supervision?

A Yes.

Q And the multi-point back pressure test for gas wells, which is marked as Exhibit No. 9, that is a copy of a test which was prepared from June 10 to June 14, 1963, a copy of the results of the test?

A Yes.

And Exhibits 2 through 8, are they, to the best of your knowledge and belief, true and accurate copies of the correspondence exchanged between Gulf and other royalty owners:

A Yes.

MR. DURRETT: This concludes my questions on direct examination and I would like to move to admit Exhibits 1 through 9

MR. PORTER: Without objection the Exhibits will be admitted.

Did anyone have a question of Mr. Hoover?

here with Mrs. McClure's attorney you mentioned allowable, what you were actually referring to, I presume, was this ratable take which the gas purchaser is utilizing, its based on acreage?

A Yes.

MR. NUTTER: Because this is not a prorated pool, actually there was no allowable?

A That's true

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#### CROSS EXAMINATION

#### BY MR. NUTTER:

- Now, in your Exhibit 1 it shows three 320 acre units and would your unit make the 4th unit?
  - Is that the whole pool, Exhibit 1?
  - Yes.
- Yes, sir. As of this time there are four wells, now, I understand that well No. 16, which is a Pan American well, located in Section 15, in the Southwest Quarter of the Southeast Quarter . is going to be a Paddock Gas well and I presume that the acreage will probably be changed, either way, all attributed to No. 16 or half and half, but the way it stands right now this is the current status.
  - Who is connected with your Plains Knight lease?
  - El Paso.
  - Q Who is connected with the other wells?
  - Α El Paso.
- Have you made a study to compare the tests on the rates to see that this ratable take is being put into effect?
- I did make a study between our well and the Pan American well, but the results were not conclusive for various reasons. In checking with the purchaser, they set up an allowable on the wells, which is, its not actually an allowable, its a factor they use for putting in their machines, but it has a bearing on the factors that they take, ratability, of which acreage is a factor,



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and the allowables are subject to change at the end of the year because they have under and overage carried in. Now, the current information that I received, just recently, on our Plains Knight well No. 3 for the year, to date, that was through September, they had set up an allowable, which I emphasis again, is just a figure, it doesn't mean that that's going to stay that way, it could be up or down or can be corrected, but they had set up a 100,411 MCF on that well, whereas, the well had produced a 110,047 MCF, so, it was about in balance, a little bit over produced. Now, on the same comparison for the offset well, the Pan American well No, 11, which is the one that we're concerned with primarily, that allowable would have been a 156,000 MCF and that is the well that they are carrying as having one unit whereas our well had a half unit.

- Well, is it your anticipation that if you get 320 acres dedicated to your well that your's will produce 220,000 rather than the 110,000 it has been producing?
- Of course, the market demand would determine what they are going to ask for, but its our understanding that the allowable should go up double on the thing for 320, once we get the 320 dedicated.
- Well, I realize that you advised Mrs. McClure that she would have  $2\frac{1}{2}\%$  of twice as much as now?
  - That's right. Α
- But, actually, the production figures comparison on the Pan American well don't seem to substantiate that?



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•			Q	For this year's production?
-			A	Yes.
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WILKINS and CROWNOVER			year?	
		243-	A	Yes, we would have to be cut back on this well.
	·    -	Phone	Q	And if that cut back should occur it would establish that
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DE	1	Suite 1120	Q	So that all you are attempting to pool here today are the
		Surt	royalty	interest owners, is that correct?
			Α	That's right.
			Q	And do I understand correctly, that you are seeking no
			risk fac	tor?
		L	Α	No, sir.



		A No, sir, that would be because Gulf stands all the costs.
·		Q It wouldn't make any difference, would it?
		A No, sir.
	100	Q Now, on the same theory, with the cost of supervision or
ER	243.669	operating costs it wouldn't make any difference since you own all
WILKINS and CROWNOVER	Phone	the working interest?
M	Id	A No, sir.
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nd (	Mexico	MR. PORTER: Mr. Hoover, what percentage did Mrs. McClure
S a	New	own here?
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Ü	41bu	Hoover? Mr. Walker.
EIEK Genera		MR. WALKER: You gave Warren Snyder's address as being
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χ,	Buil	A We made none, we just don't know his whereabouts, and his
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	1 8	lives over here at Lovington, he has enough money to protect himself.
	-	MR. PORTER: His interest is .9306%, I believe?
		A Yes, in the Northwest Quarter, I might point out that Mrs.
		McClure is the only non-consenting party in the Southwest Quarter.

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I, NORRIS R. CROWNOVER, 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.

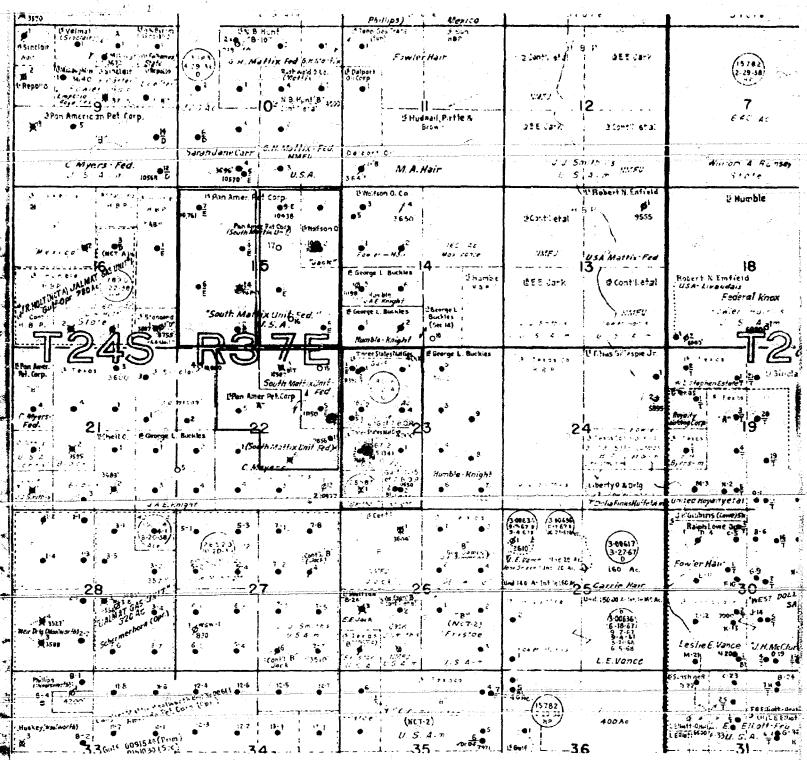
WITNESS my Hand and Seal this 20th day of November, 1963.

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My Commission Expires:

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#### PLAT

BERTHA, PLAINS KNIGHT AND LILLIE LEASES
FOWLER PADDOCK GAS POOL
Lea County, New Mexico

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Proposed Standard Gas Unit
Pertinent Well

Offsetting Gas Proration Units

GULF OIL CORPORATION

Case No. 2916 Exhibit No. / October 16, 1963

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#### Gulf Oil Corporation

ROSWELL PRODUCTION DISTRICT

W. B. Hopkins

. I. Taylor DISTRICT PRODUCTION MANAGER F. O. Mortlock

March 4, 1963

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To Address List Attached

Re: Pooling of Acreage to Form a Standard 320-Acre Gas Proration Unit, W/2 Section 23, Township 24 South, Range 37 East, Fowler Paddock Gas Pool, Lea County, New Mexico

Gentlemen:

The New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission by Order No. R-2426 dated February 13, 1963, established temporary rules for the Fowler Paddock Gas Pool to provide for 320-acre spacing units. In order to comply with the spacing rules and to economically develop our leases, we propose to pool the W/2 of Section 23, Township 24 South, Range 37 East, and attribute this acreage to the Plains Knight Well No. 3 for Fowler Paddock Gas production. The tracts involved in this pooling are the Plains-Knight, Bertha and Lillie leases and according to our records, you own a royalty interest in one or more of these leases.

The pooling of acreage to form a gas unit does not impose a loss or penalty on any party therein since the unit well will be permitted to produce an allowable based on the acreage attributed. In other words, a well with 320 acres attributed is allowed to produce twice as much gas as a well which has only 160 acres attributed, and the royalty owners share in the gas production on the basis of acreage in which they have an interest.

Attached hereto are two copies of an Authorization for Gas Pooling and it is requested, if you approve, that one copy be executed and returned in the selfaddressed stamped envelope. Also attached is an instruction sheet for executing and acknowledging the paper. In view of the fact that the effective date of the spacing order is March 1, 1963, it is requested that you execute and return the Authorization as soon as possible, for this will tend to minimize the effect of gas drainage from the surrounding Paddock gas wells.

Although the New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission is authorized by law to force-pool royalty interests for good cause being shown, they require that each royalty owner first be given the opportunity to voluntarily enter into a pooling unit in order that the objections, if any, may be considered. Most likely it will be necessary to resort to force-pooling in this case for the reason that the addresses of some royalty owners cannot be ascertained.

Should you have any questions concerning this matter, please advise.

Yours very truly,

M. I. Taylor

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#### June 10, 1963

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Mr. R. S. May c/o Trust Department First National Bank & Trust Company Post Office Eox 1198 Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

Re: Pooling of Acreage to Form a Stendard 320-Acre Gas Proration Unit, W/2 Section 23, Township 24 South, Range 37 East, Fowler Paddock Gas Pool, Lea County, New Mexico

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On March 4, 1963, we transmitted two copies of an Authorization for Gas Pooling covering the subject acreage, requesting if you approve that one copy be executed and returned in the self-addressed stamped envelope.

For your information, there are twenty-four royalty owners in the Plains Knight and Lillie Leases which were contacted and to date eighteen have approved the pooling with no objections received.

Since we have not received a reply, this letter is to inquire if you have any questions concerning this pooling. We would appreciate receiving a reply from you so that your objections, if any, may be considered in the creat force pooling is necessary.

Yours very truly,

ORIGINAL SIGNED BY R. H. FLUKER

M. I. Taylor

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Case No. 2916
Exhibit No. 3
October 16, 1963
Gulf Oil Corporation

Time relieve to sitt June 10, 1963 REGISTERED MAIL RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED Ms. Bertha Mae McClure c/o First National Bank Midland, Texas Re: Pooling of Acreage to Form a Stendard 320-Acre Gas Proration Unit, W/2 Section 23, Township 24 South, Range 37 East, Fowler Paddock Gas Pool, Lea County, New Mexico Dear Ms. McClure: On March 4, 1963, we transmitted two copies of an Authorization for Gas Pooling owning the subject acreage, requesting in you approve that one copy be executed and returned in the self-addressed stamped envelope. For your information, there are twenty-four royalty owners in the Plains Knight and Lillie Leases which were contacted and to date eighteen have approved the pooling with no objections received. Since we have not received a reply, this letter is to inquire if you have any questions concerning this pooling. We would appreciate receiving a reply from you so that your objections, if any, may be considered in the event force pooling is necessary. Yours very truly, ORIGINAL SIGNED BY R. H. FLUKER M. J. Taylor JHH:ers Case No. 2916 Exhibit No. 4 October 16,

Gulf Oil Corporation

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LEONARD HOWELL

ATTORNEY AT LAW P. O. BOX 722 MIDLAND, TEXAS

June 18, 1963

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Re: Your proposed pooling of W/2 Section 23, T-24-S,
Range 37 E, Fowler Paddock Gas
Pool, Lea County, N.M.,

interest of Bertha Mae McClure.

Mr. M. I. Taylor, District Production Manager Gulf Oil Corporation P. C. Drawer 1938 Roswell, New Mexico

Dear Sir:

Mrs. Bertha Mae McClure has handed me your letter to her dated June 10th; I have also looked over your proposed pooling contract.

Mrs. McClure and I have agreed on the proposition that she stands to gain nothing by your proposal, and your proposition could cause her to stand a loss because of her having to snare her already meagre income from production with adjacent acreage owners.

If you have other ideas about this, please let me hear from you.

Yours truly,

Vernard Howell

c.c.-Mrs. Bertha Mae McClure 6735 Hardesty Ft. Worth 18, Texas

> Case No. 2916 Exhibit No. 5 October 16, 1963 Gulf Oil Corporation

#### June 27, 1963

Mr. Leonard Howell Post Office Box 722 Midland, Toxas

> Re: Proposed Pooling of W/2 Section 23, Township 24 South, Range 37 East, Fowler Paddock Gas Pool, Lea County, New Maxico, Interest of Berths Mac McClure

Dear Mr. Howell:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of June 18, 1963, concerning the subject pooling.

In our opinion Mrs. McClure will not realise my locs of income as the correlative rights to receive approximately 5 per cent of 160 acres of gas remain unchanged if she is allowed to receive approximately 2-1/2 per cent of 320 acres of gas allowable. As a matter of information, the Plaina Knight Well No. 3 is capable of producing 1,226 MCF per day with a tubing pressure of 1,017 psig and can easily produce a 320-acre allowable.

Gulf has previously edvised your client that the New Mexico Gil Conservation Commission by Order No. R-2426, dated February 13, 1963, established 320-acre spacing in the Fosler Poldock Cas Pool. In other words, they provided after hearing evidence concerning the reservoir's producing characteristics that each gas well is capable of draining an area of at least 320 acres. As a result of this Order, an offset operator to Gulf has a gas well which is a diagonal northwest offset to the Plains Knight Lease to vaich 320 seres are presently attributed. This well is allowed to produce two times as much gas as the Plains Knight Well No. 3 because the acreage dedicated to it is 320 while the Flains Knight wall has only 160. Our Lillie Lease, which is directly offset by this 320-acro well is presently being drained. Unless an unnecessary well is drilled on this 160 acres or unless it is pooled with the lesse in which Mrs. McClure is interested, there will be a substantial monetary loss as a result of this drainage. To prevent the occurrence of this harsh situation, the New Mexico Laws provide for the force pooling of oil and gas interests in the interest of prevention of waste and protection of correlative rights. It is our Company's policy and also a requirement of the Oil Commission to seek voluntary pooling and cultoust all efforts thereto before obtaining force pooling.

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In conclusion, therefore, we respectfully suggest that you and Mrs. McClure reconsider this matter from the standpoint that while it will probably not result in any particular gain to her under the circumstances outlined, every precaution is exercised to protect her from incurring any loss. Further than this, we feel that Gulf and the royalty owners under the Lillie Lease have strong equities which will most likely be protected if we are required to seek force pooling of Mrs. McClure's interest.

Yours very truly,

CULF OIL CORPORATION

Original Signed L. B. HOPKINS

W. B. Hopkins

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cc: Krs. Bertha Mae McClure

6705 Hardesty Fort Worth 18, Texas

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#### LEONARD HOWELL

ATTORNEY AT LAW

MIDLAND, TEXAS June 29, 1963



Re: Proposed Pooling, W/2 Sect. 23, T-24-S, Range 37 E., Fowler Paddock Gas Pool, Lea County, N.M., Bertha Mae McClure's interest, and your letter of 6/27/63.

Mr. W. B. Hopkins, District Manager Gulf Oil Corporation P. O. Drawer 1938, Roswell, New Mexico

Dear Mr. Hopkins:

Thank you for your letter of June 27th, in which you relate that Mrs. McClure would not lose income as a result of her signing the proposed gas pooling contract you mailed to her, and that she would also gain nothing thereby.

I presume that your company will gain something by her signing such contract, or else you wouldn't be so persistent; if it is worth \$2,500.00 to your company for her to sign such agreement, please forward your draft for such amount made payable to Mrs. McClure and I will see that it is properly executed and returned to you.

Also, Mrs. McClure told me this morning that Gulf has failed to send her gas royalty for the months of May and June, 1963, on her interest; she wants to know if Gulf has abandoned the lease. Please answer at once.

Yours very truly,

Leonard Howell

c.c.-Mrs. Bertha Mae McClure 6735 Hardesty Fort Worth 18, Texas

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Mr. Leonard Howell Actorney at Law P. O. Box 722 Midland, Texas

> Re: Proposed Pooling, W/2 Section 23, Township 24 South, Range 37 Fast, Fowler Paddock Gas Pool, Lea County, New Mexico (Bertha Mae McClure's interest).

Dear Mr. Howell:

In your letter of June 29, 1963 you have stated that Mrs. McClure has not yet received her was royalty cheek from Gulf for the months of May and June, 1963, covering her interest and she has asked if Gulf has abandoned the lease. It seems to be apporent from our correspondence with you and your client that Gulf has absolutely no intention to abandon this lease. I can assure you that Mrs. McClure's interest has not been placed in suspense nor has anything else been done which would interrupt her regular receipt of monthly payments. Mrs. McClure should have told you that payment for the ges sold in May would not ordinarily be made until sometime during the month of July and that payment for the June sales would not be made until after the first of August.

In resard to Mrs. McClure's signing a Consent to the Cas Pooling Agreement, we were simply trying in good faith to alternate her voluntary consent, and since under the circumstances this appears to be impossible we shall in due course proceed with a force pooling application.

Very truly yours, Original Signed W. B. HOPKINS

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#### DOCKET: REGULAR HEARING - WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 16, 1963

OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION - 9 A.M., HOBBS HIGH SCHOOL AUDITORIUM, 1300 EAST SCHARBAUER, HOBBS, NEW MEXICO

ALLOWABLE:

(1) Consideration of the oil allowable for November, 1963.

(2) Consideration of the allowable production of gas for November, 1963, from ten prorated pools in Lea and Eddy Counties, New Mexico, also consideration of the allowable production of gas from nine prorated pools in San Juan, Rio Arriba, and Sandoval Counties, New Mexico, for November, 1963.

CASE 2916:

Application of Gulf Oil Corporation for compulsory pooling, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order force-pooling all mineral interests in the Fowler Paddock Gas Pool underlying the W/2 of Section 23, Township 24 South, Range 37 East, Lea County, New Mexico.

CASE 2917:

Application of Jake L. Hamon for a gas well-sait water disposal dual completion, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks authority to dually complete his Northeast Lynch Unit Well No. 1, located in Unit H of Section 17, Township 20 South, Range 35 East, Lea County, New Mexico, to produce hydrocarbons from an undesignated Pennsylvanian gas pool and to dispose of produced sait water through the annulus between the surface and intermediate casing strings into the open hole interval from 894 to 4000 feet.

CASE 2918:

Application of Humble Oil & Refining Company for the creation of a new pool and for tubing exceptions therein, San Juan County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks the creation of a new oil pool for Gallup production comprising all of Sections 7 and 18, Township 28 North, Range 14 West; all of Sections 10 through 13, and N/2 and SE/4 of Section 14, Township 28 North, Range 15 West; all of Sections 7 and 8, SW/4 of Section 15, all of Sections 16 through 22, SW/4 of Section 23, SW/4 of Section 25, all of Sections 26 through 30, N/2 and SE/4 of Section 32, and all of Sections 33 through 36, Township 29 North, Range 15 West; All of Sections 11 through 14 and all of Section 24, Township 29 North. Range 16 West. Applicant further seeks an exception to Rule 107(d)1 of the Commission Rules and Regulations to permit all oil wells completed in said pool to be flowed through production casing without tubing for as long as said wells are capable of natural flow. (This case will be continued to November 13, 1963.)

CASE 2919:

In the matter of the application of the Oil Conservation Commission of New Mexico upon its own motion for an order for the creation of new pools in Eddy and Lea Counties, New Mexico, the extension of vertical limits and change of pool name to a certain existing pool in Eddy County, New Mexico and extension of certain existing pools in Eddy, Lea, and Roosevelt Counties, New Mexico and giving notice to all persons and parties interested in the subject matter thereof to appear and show cause why such creations, extensions of vertical limits, change of pool name, and extensions should not be made.

(a) Create a new pool in Eddy County, New Mexico, classified as an oil pool for Cisco production, designated as the Cedar Lake-Cisco Pool, and described as:

## TOWNSHIP 17 SOUTH, RANGE 31 EAST, NMPM SECTION 30: SW/4

(b) Greate a new pool in Lea County, New Mexico, classified as a gas pool for Pennsylvanian production, designated as the Lynch-Pennsylvanian Gas Pool, and described as:

## TOWNSHIP 20 SOUTH, RANGE 35 EAST, NMPM SECTION 17: NE/4

(c) Extend the North Benson Queen-Grayburg Pool in Eddy County, New Mexico, to include therein:

## TOWNSHIP 18 SOUTH, RANGE 30 EAST, NMPM SECTION 28: N/2 S/2

(d) Extend the Corral Canyon-Delaware Pool in Eddy County, New Mexico, to include therein:

## TOWNSHIP 25 SOUTH, RANGE 30 EAST, NMPM SECTION 17: W/2 NE/4

(e) Extend the Goodwin-Abo Pool in Lea County, New Mexico, to include therein:

## TOWNSHIP 18 SOUTH, RANGE 37 EAST, NUMBER SECTION 31: NW/4

(f) Extend the West Henshaw-Grayburg Pool in Eddy County, New Mexico, to include therein:

## TOWNSHIP 16 SOUTH, RANGE 30 EAST, NAPM SECTION 2: Lot 5

(g) Extend the Jackson-Abo Pool in Eddy County, New Mexico, to include therein:

## TOWNSHIP 17 SOUTH, RANGE 30 EAST, NMPM SECTION 22: NE/4 SW/4

(h) Extend the North Justis-Montoya Pool in Lea County, New Mexico, to include therein:

TOWNSHIP 25 SOUTH, RANGE 37 EAST, NMPM SECTION 2: NE/4

- (i) Extend the vertical limits of the South Lea-Grayburg Pool in Eddy County, New Mexico, to include the Queen formation and change the pool name from South Leo-Grayburg Pool to the South Leo-Grayburg Pool.
- (j) Extend the Loco Hills Pool in Eddy County, New Mexico, to include therein:

## TOWNSHIP 18 SOUTH, RANGE 29 EAST, NMPM SECTION 19: NE/4 NW/4

(k) Extend the Lusk-Strawn Pool in Eddy County, New Mexico, to include therein:

#### TOWNSHIP 19 SOUTH, RANGE 31 EAST, NMPM SECTION 25: NE/4

11) Extend the Maljamar-Abo Pool in Lea County, New Mexico, to include therein:

#### TOWNSHIP 17 SOUTH, RANGE 32 EAST, NMPM SECTION 22: NW/4

(m) Extend the Mesa-Queen Pool in Lea County, New Mexico, to include therein:

#### TOWNSHIP 16 SOUTH, RANGE 32 EAST, NMPM SECTION 16: SW/4

(n) Extend the North Mescalero-Wolfcamp Pool in Lea County, New Mexico, to include therein:

## TOWNSHIP 10 SOUTH, RANGE 32 EAST, NMPM SECTION 11: SE/4

(o) Extend the East Millman Queen-Grayburg Pool in Eddy County, New Mexico, to include therein:

## TOWNSHIP 19 SOUTH, RANGE 28 EAST, NMPM SECTION 21: E/2 SE/4

(p) Extend the Milnesand-San Andres Pool in Roosevelt County. New Mexico, to include therein:

#### TOWNSHIP 8 SOUTH, RANGE 35 EAST, NMPM SECTION 6: S/2

(q) Extend the West Milnesand-San Andres Pool in Roosevelt County, New Mexico, to include therein:

TOWNSHIP 8 SOUTH, RANGE 34 EAST, NMPM SECTION 21: 10/4

(z) Extend the Weir-Blinebry Pool in Lea County, New Mexico, to include therein:

TOWNSHIP 20 SOUTH, RANGE 37 EAST, NMPM SECTION 9: E/2 SE/4

(aa) Extend the West Wilson Yates Pool in Lea County, New Mexico, to include therein:

TOWNSHIP 21 SOUTH, RANGE 34 EAST, NAPM SECTION 3: S/2 SECTION 4: SE/4

CASE 290:

Northwest New Mexico nomenclature case calling for the creation and extension of certain pools in San Juan and Rio Arriba Counties, New Mexico, and for the designation and redesignation of certain vertical limits.

- (a) Redesignate the Rattlesnake-Pennsylvanian 0il Pool, and Rattlesnake-Pennsylvanian "CD" 0il Pool, and define the vertical limits to be from the depth correlative to the point depicted at the feet on log of the Continental Rattlesnake Well No. 136, located in Unit J of Section 2, Township 29 North, Range 19 West, to the depth correlative to the point depicted at 6827 feet on said log.
- (b) Greate the Rattiesnake-Pennysivanian "B" Gas Pool in Township 29 North, Range 19 west, San Juan County, and to define the vertical limits to be identical to the zone from 6404 feet to 6554 feet in the above-described Continental Rattlesnake Well No. 136. Horizontal limits to be described as:

TOWNSHIP 29 NORTH, RANGE 19 WEST, NAPH SECTION 2: S/2 SECTION 11: N/2

- (c) Redesignate the Puerto Chiquito-Gallup Oil Pool, Rio Arriba County, as the Puerto Chiquito-Mancos Oil Pool and define the vertical limits to be from the depth correlative to the point depicted at 1997 feet on the log of the Intex Hijo Well No. 1, located in Unit F of Section 5, Township 26 North, Range 1 East, to the depth correlative to the point depicted at 3143 feet on said log. (From the top of the Niobrara Member of the Mancos Shale to the base of the Greenhorn formation).
- (d) Extend the boulder-Mancos Oil Pool boundary in Rio Arriba County, New Mexico, to include therein:

TOWNSHIP 28 NORTH, RANGE 1 WEST, NMPM SECTION 27: N/2 SE/4

(e) Extend the Devils Fork-Gallup Pool boundary in Rio Arriba County, New Mexico, to include therein:

TOWNSHIP 24 NORTH, RANGE 6 WEST, NMPM SECTION 9: E/2 NW/4, W/2 NE/4 & E/2 SE/4

- (1) Extend the vertical limits of the South Lea-Grayburg Pool in Eddy County, New Mexico, to include the Queen formation and change the pool name from South Leo-Grayburg Pool to the South Leo Grayburg Pool.
- (j) Extend the Loco Hills Pool in Eddy County, New Mexico, to include therein;

#### TOWNSHIP 18 SOUTH, RANGE 29 EAST, NMPM SECTION 19: NE/4 NW/4

(k) Extend the Lusk-Strawn Pool in Eddy County, New Mexico, to include therein:

#### TOWNSHIP 19 SOUTH, RANGE 31 EAST, NMPM SECTION 25: NE/4

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(p) Extend the Milnesand-San Andres Pool in Roosevelt County, New Mexico, to include therein:

#### TOWNSHIP 8 SOUTH, RANGE 35 EAST, NMPM SECTION 6: S/2

(q) Extend the West Milnesand-San Andres Pool in Roosevelt County, New Mexico, to include therein:

TOWNSHIP 8 SOUTH, RANGE 34 EAST, NMPM SECTION 21: 10/4

(r) Extend the Oil Center-Blinebry Pool in Lea County, New Mexico, to include therein:

#### TOWNSHIP 21 SOUTH, RANGE 36 EAST, NAPM SECTION 3: Lote 14 and 15

(s) Extend the Paddock Pool in Lea County, New Mexico, to include therein:

## TOWNSHIP 21 SOUTH, RANGE 36 EAST, NAPM SECTION 25: NE/4

(t) Extend the East Red Lake Queen-Grayburg Pool in Eddy County, New Mexico, to include therein:

## TOWNSHIP 17 SOUTH, RANGE 28 EAST, NAPM SECTION 1: SW/4 SW/4

(u) Extend the Shugart Pool in Eddy County, New Mexico, to include therein:

#### TOWNSHIP 18 SOUTH, RANGE 31 EAST, NMPM SECTION 19: S/2

(v) Extend the West Teas-Yates Fool in Lea County, New Mexico, to include therein:

## TOWNSHIP 20 SOUTH, RANGE 33 EAST, NMPM SECTION 9: S/2 SW/4

(w) Extend the Vacuum-Abo Reef Pool in Lea County, New Mexico, to include therein:

TOWNSHIP 17 SOUTH, RANGE 35 EAST, NMPM SECTION 27: S/2 SW/4 SECTION 33: S/2 NE/4

## TOWNSHIP 18 SOUTH, RANGE 34 EAST, NAPM SECTION 11: SE/4

(x) Extend the Vacuum-Pennsylvanian Pool in Lea County, New Mexico, to include therein:

TOWNSHIP 17 SOUTH, RANGE 34 EAST, NMPM SECTION 36: NE/4

(y) Extend the Vacuum-Weitremp Pool in Lea County, New Mexico, to include therein:

TOWNSHIP 17 SOUTH, RANGE 35 EAST, NMPM SECTION 31: S/2 & NE/4

(z) Extend the Weir-Blinebry Pool in Lea County, New Mexico, to include therein:

TOWNSHIP 20 SOUTH, RANGE 37 EAST, NAPM SECTION 9: E/2 SE/4

(aa) Extend the West Wilson Tates Pool in Lea County, New Mexico, to include therein:

TOWNSHIP 21 SOUTH, RANGE 34 EAST, NMPM SECTION 3: S/2 SECTION 4: SE/4

CASE 200:

Northwest New Mexico nomenclature case calling for the creation and extension of certain pools in San Juan and Rio Arriba Counties, New Mexico, and for the designation and redesignation of certain vertical limits

- (a) Redesignate the Rattlesnake-Pennsylvanian Oil Pool, and Raftlesnake-Pennsylvanian "CD" Oil Pool, and define the vertical limits to be from the depth correlative to the point depicted at 1854 feet on log of the Continental Rattlesnake Well No. 136, located in Unit J of Section 2, Township 29 North, Range 19 West, to the depth correlative to the point depicted at 6827 feet on said log.
- (b) Create the Rattlesnake-Pennyslvanian "B" Gas Pool in Township 29 North, Range 19 west, San Juan County, and to define the vertical limits to be identical to the zone from 6404 feet to 6554 feet in the above-described Continental Rattlesnake Well No. 136. Horizontal limits to be described as:

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- (c) Redesignate the Puerto Chiquito-Gallup Oil Pool, Rio Arriba County, as the Puerto Chiquito-Mancos Oil Pool and define the vertical limits to be from the depth correlative to the point depicted at 1997 feet on the log of the Intex Hijo Well No. 1, located in Unit F of Section 5, Township 26 North, Range 1 East, to the depth correlative to the point depicted at 3143 feet on said log. (From the top of the Niobrara Member of the Mancos Shale to the base of the Greenhorn feattern).
- (d) Extend the bulder-Mancos Oil Pool boundary in Rio Arriba County, New Mexico, to include therein:

TOWNSHIP 28 NORTH, RANGE 1 WEST, NMPM SECTION 27: N/2 SE/4

(e) Extend the Devils Fork-Gallup Pool boundary in Rio Arriba County, New Mexico, to include therein:

TOWNSHIP 24 NORTH, RANGE 6 WEST, NMPM SECTION 9: E/2 NW/4, W/2 NE/4 & E/2 SE/4 (f) Extend the Many Rocks-Gallup Oil Pool boundary in San Juan County, New Mexico, to include therein:

TOWNSHIP 31 NORTH, RANGE 16 WEST, NAPM SECTION 17: NE/4 SW/4, N/2 SE/4 & SE/4 SE/4

TOWNSHIP 32 NORTH, RANGE 17 WEST, NAMPM SECTION 26: W/2 SW/4 SECTION 35: NW/4 SE/4

(g) Extend the Otero-Gallup Oil Pool boundary in Rio Arriba County, New Mexico, to include therein:

TOWNSHIP 24 NORTH, RANGE 5 WEST, NMPM SECTION 16: SE/4
SECTION 21: NE/4
SECTION 22: SW/4 NW/4

(h) Extend the Totah-Gallup Oil Pool boundary in San Juan County, New Mexico, to include therein:

TOWNSHIP 28 NORTH, RANGE 12 WEST, NMPM SECTION 18: S/2 NE/4

F. O. Mortiock DISTRICT EXPLORATION MANAGER Oil Conservation Commission State of New Mexico Post Office Box 871 Santa Fe, New Mexico 87501 Re: Application of Gulf Oil Corporation for Compulsory Pooling of Mineral Interests Underlying the W/2 Section 23, Township 24 South, Range 37 East, Fowler Paddock Gas Pool, Lea County, New Mexico, to Form a 320-Acre Standard Gas Proration Unit Gentlemen: Gulf Oil Corporation respectfully requests that an Examiner Hearing be scheduled to consider the subject application. In support of this application, the following facts are submitted: (1) The Oil Conservation Commission by Order R-2426 dated February 13, 1963, established temporary rules for the Fowler Paddock Gas Pool providing for 320-acre spacing to be effective March 1, 1963. (2) Applicant's Plains Knight Well No. 3, located 760 feet from the west line and 1980 feet from the south line of Section 23, was completed in the Fowler Paddock Gas Pool prior to the issuance of Order R-2426 and has attributed to it the SW/4 of Section 23. This well is capable of producing an allowable for 320 acres. (3) In order to protect applicant's Lillie Lease covering the NW/4 of Section 23, all royalty interests in the W/2 of Section 23 whose whereabouts were known, were contacted to obtain their approval for pooling the NW/4 and SW/4 to form a 320-acre standard unit. (4) All royalty interests have approved except the following: Bertha May McClure, 6735 Hardesty, Fort Worth, Texas 76118, who has a 5.4688 per cent interest in the SW/4 of Section 23; R. S. May, c/o Trust Department, First National Bank & Trust Company, Post Office Box 1198, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73100, who has a .0854 per cent interest in the NW/4 of Section 23; Warren M. Snyder, address unknown, who has a .3906 per cent interest in the NW/4 of Section 23. DUCKET MULLED 10-7-63 De

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In the interest of protection of correlative rights and prevention of waste, Gulf Oil Corporation requests the compulsory pooling of the above listed royalty interests in the Fowler Paddock Gas Pool.

Respectfully submitted,

GULF OIL CORPORATION

M. I. Taylor

JHH:ers

cc: New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission Post Office Box 1980 Hobbs, New Mexico 00240

Ms. Bertha May McClure 6735 Hardesty Fort Worth, Texas 76118

Mr. R. S. May
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A L. PORTES, JR. SCORETARY - DISCOTOR

October 30, 1963

Mr. Bill	Rustler
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Rossell,	New Mexico

Case No. 2916
Order No. 2-2592
Applicant:

Gulf oil Corporation

Dear Sire

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

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Carbon copy of order also sent to:

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OTHER Bertha May McClure

R. S. May

#### BEFORE THE CIL COMSERVATION COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MEW MEXICO

IN THE MATTER OF THE HEARING CALLED BY THE OIL CONSERVATION CONSIDEROR OF WEN MEXICO FOR THE PURPOSE OF COMBIDERIES.

> CASE No. 2916 Order No. R-2592

APPLICATION OF CULT OIL CORPOLATION FOR COUNTY, MEN MEXICO.

#### ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

#### BY THE COMMISSION:

This cause came on for hearing at 9 o'clock a.m. on Outober 16, 1963, at Nobbe, New Munico, before the Oil Conservation Commission of New Munico, heroimafter referred to as the "Commission."

NOW, on this 30th day of October, 1963, the Commission, a quorum being present, having considered the testimony presented and the exhibits received at said hearing, and being fully advice in the promises,

#### PIME:

- (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, Gulf Oil Corporation, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests in the Fowler-Paddock Gas Pool underlying the W/2 of Section 23, Township 24 South, Range 37 East, HMPM, Lea County, New Mexico.
- (3) That the applicant has the right to drill and has drilled its Plains Rhight well No. 3 in Whit L of said Section 23 and that said well is producing from the Powler-Paddock Gas Pool.
- (4) That there are royalty 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 proration unit the opportunity to recover or receive without unnecessary expense his just and fair share of the gas in the Fowler-Paddock Cas Pool, the subject application should be approved by pooling all mineral interests, whatever they may be, within said unit.

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(6) That the applicant should be designated the operator of the subject well and unit.

#### IT IS THEREPORE OFFICED.

- (1) That all mineral interests, whatever they may be, in the Fowler-Paddock Gas Pool, underlying the W/2 of Section 23, Township 24 south, Range 37 Eart, MEPM, Les County, New Mexico, are heavily pushed to form a 320-acre gas provided unit to be dedicated to the Galf Gil Corporation Plains Raight Well No. 3, located in Unit L of said Section 23.
- (2) That Gulf Oil Corporation is hereby designated the operator of the subject well and unit.
- (3) That jurisdiction of this cause is retained for the entry of such further orders as the Commission may does necessary

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

STATE OF NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

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

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October 28, 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. 2916

Orger No. R-2572

APPLICATION OF GULF OIL CORPORATION FOR COMPULSORY POOLING, LEA COUNTY, MEN MEXICO.

ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

BY THE COMMISSION:

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This cause came on for hearing at 9 o'clock a.m. on October 16 1968, at SANGEREN New Mexico, before the Oil Conservation Commission of New Mexico, hereinafter referred to as the "Commission."

a quorum being present, having considered the testimony presented and the exhibits received at said hearing, 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, Gulf Oil Corporation, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests in the Fowler-Paddock Gas Pool underlying the W/2 of Section 23, Township 24 South, Range 37 East, IMPM, Lea County, New Mexico.
- (3) That the applicant has the right to drill and has drilled its Plains Knight Well No. 3 in Unit L of said Section 23 and that said well is producing from the Fowler-Paddock Gas Pool.
- (4) That there are royalty 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 proration unit the opportunity to recover

or receive without unnecessary expense his just and fair share of the gas in the Fowler-Paddock Gas 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.

#### IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

- (1) That all mineral interests, whatever they may be, in the Fowler-Paddock Gas Pool, underlying the W/2 of Section 23, Township 24 South, Range 37 East, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico, are hereby pooled to form a 320-acre gas proration unit to be dedicated to the Gulf Oil Corporation Plains Knight Well No. 3, located in Unit L of said Section 23.
- (2) That Gulf Oil Corporation is hereby designated the operator of the subject well and unit.
- (3) 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.