CASE 3811: Application of CHARLES
B. READ FOR AN UNORTHODOX OIL
WELL LOCATION, LEA COUNTY.

Case Number

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August 1, 1968

Mr. William J. LoMay LeMay & Stevens Petroleum Consultants Post Office Box 2244 Santa Fe, New Mexico

3811 Re: Case No._ Order No. R-3459 Applicant: Charles B. Read

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

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BEFORE THE OIL COMSERVATION COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO

IN THE MATTER OF THE HEARING CALLED BY THE OIL COMSERVATION COMMISSION OF NEW MEXICO FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONSIDERING:

> CASE No. 3811 Order No. R-3459

APPLICATION OF CHARLES B. READ FOR AN UNORTHODOX OIL WELL LOCA-TION, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

BY THE COMMISSION:

This cause came on for hearing at 9 a.m. on July 24, 1968, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner Daniel S. Mutter.

MOW, on this 1st day of August, 1968, the Commission, a quorum being present, having considered the record and the recommendations of the Examiner, and being fully advised in the premises,

FINDS:

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

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

That Case No. 3811 is hereby dismissed.

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

STATE OF HEW MEXICO OIL COMBENIATION COMMISSION

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L. PORTER, Jr., Member & Secretary

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Donald G. Stevens, Landman William J. LeMay, Geologist Telephone AC 505 982-3211 Box 2244 • 214 College Street Santa Fe, New Mexico 87501

July 22, 1968

Mr. A. L. Porter, Jr. New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission P. O. Box 2088 Santa Fe, New Mexico 87501

Dear Mr. Porter:

We request that Case No. (3811) application of Charles B. Read for an unorthodox oil well location in the Scarb-Bone Springs Pool, which is scheduled for hearing before the examiner on July 24, 1968, be dismissed without prejudice to the applicant.

Very truly yours,

Charles B. Read

William J. LeMay fo

LeMay & Stevens

Agents for Applicant.

cc: Charles B. Read
P. O. Box 2126
Roswell, New Mexico

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9 A.M. - OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION CONFERENCE ROOM, STATE LAND OFFICE BUILDING, SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

The following cases will be heard before Daniel S. Nutter, Examiner, or A. L. Porter, Jr., Alternate Examiner:

- CASE 3809: Application of Solar Oil Company for a dual completion, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for the dual completion (conventional) of its Travis Well No. 2 located in Unit J of Section 21, Township 23 South, Range 37 East, Lea County, New Mexico, to produce oil from the Teague-Blinebry and undesignated Tubb-Drinkard pools through parallel strings of tubing.
- CASE 3810: Application of Bronco Oil Corporation for a dual completion, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for the dual completion (conventional) of its Saltmount Well No. 2 located in Unit O of Section 21, Township 23 South, Range 37 East, Jea County, New Mexico, to produce oil from the Teague-Blinebry and undesignated Tubb-Drinkard pools through parallel strings of tubing.
- CASE 3811: Application of Charles B. Read for an unorthodox oil well location, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks authority to drill his Marathon State Well No. 1 at a location 1980 feet from the South line and 660 feet from the West line of Section 7, Township 19 South, Range 35 East, Scharb-Bone Springs Pool, Lea County, New Mexico, in exception to the pool rules which require the first well drilled on a unit to be located in the NE/4 or the SW/4 of the quarter section.
- CASE 3812: Application of Tenneco Oil Company for a unit agreement, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval of the Southwest Henshaw (Premier) Unit Area comprising 1720 acres, more or less, of Federal lands in Township 16 South, Range 30 East, West Henshaw-Grayburg Pool, Eddy County, New Mexico.
- CASE 3813: Application of Tenneco Oil Company for a waterflood project, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks authority to institute a waterflood project in its Southwest Henshaw (Premier) Unit Area by the injection of water into the Premier sand through nine injection wells in Sections 7, 8, 17, 18 and 19, Township 16 South, Range 30 East, West Henshaw-Grayburg Pool, Eddy County, New Mexico.

- CASE 3814: Application of Humble Oil & Refining Company for salt water disposal, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks authority to dispose of produced salt water into the Penrose zone of the Queen formation in the perforated interval from 3818 feet to 3838 feet in its New Mexico "G" State Well No. 17 located 330 feet from the South line and 1850 feet from the West line of Section 23, Town-ship 21 South, Range 36 East, Eumont Gas Pool, Lea County, New Mexico. If said Penrose zone does not prove satisfactory, then the applicant proposes to deepen said well and dispose into the San Andres formation.
- CASE 3815: Application of Humble Oil & Refining Company for salt water disposal, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks authority to dispose of produced salt water into the Abo formation in the interval from 5670 feet to 6030 feet in its Chalk Bluff Draw Unit (A) Well No. 19 located 990 feet from the South line and 1650 feet from the West line of Section 16, Township 18 South, Range 27 East, Empire Abo Pool, Eddy County, New Mexico.
- CASE 3816: Application of Humble Oil & Refining Company for salt water disposal, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks authority to dispose of produced salt water into the Wolfcamp formation in the interval from 10,199 feet to 10,530 feet in its H. A. Townsend Well No. 6 located 1980 feet from the North and East lines of Section 9, Township 16 South, Range 35 East, Townsend Wolfcamp Pool, Lea County, New Mexico.
- CASE 3817: Application of Continental Oil Company for reinstatement of cancelled underproduction, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an exception to the general rules and regulations for prorated gas pools of Southeastern New Mexico promulgated by Order No. R-1670, as amended, to permit the reinstatement of underproduction accumulated by its Stevens A-35 Well No. 2 located in Unit J of Section 35, Township 23 South, Range 36 East, Jalmat Gas Pool, Lea County, New Mexico, cancelled December 31, 1967. Applicant requests that its Stevens A-35 Well No. 1 located in Unit L and its Stevens A-35 Well No. 2 located in Unit J, both in the aforesaid Section 35 and dedicated to the same non-standard gas proration unit, be permitted to produce the aforesaid cancelled underproduction.

- CASE 3818: Application of Continental Oil Company for an exception to Rule 506, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an exception to the statewide limiting gas-oil ratio of 2,000 feet of gas per barrel of oil as promulgated by Commission Rule 506 for its Warren Unit Well No. 11, located in Unit A of Section 35, Township 20 South, Range 38 East, Warren-Drinkard Pool, Lea County, New Mexico.
- CASE 3819: Application of Cities Service Oil Company for the institution of gas prorationing in the Buffalo Valley-Pennsylvanian Gas Pool, Chaves County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks the limitation of gas production from the Buffalo Valley-Pennsylvanian Gas Pool in Chaves County, New Mexico, to reasonable market demand and to the capacity of gas transportation facilities, and that the subject pool be governed by the general rules and regulations for the prorated gas pools of Southeastern New Mexico insofar as said general rules and regulations are not inconsistent with the special rules and regulations governing the subject pool. Further, the applicant proposes that the allowable production from the pool be allocated among the wells in the pool on a 100% surface acreage basis.
- CASE 3820: Application of El Paso Natural Gas Company for an unorthodox gas well location, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for the unorthodox location of its Harvey "A" Well No. 3 at a point 890 feet from the South line and 1650 feet from the East line of Section 32, Township 27 North, Range 7 West, Blanco-Mesaverde Pool, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico, in exception to the pool rules which require locations to be in either the Northeast or Southwest quarter of the section.
- CASE 3821: Application of Marathon Oil Company for compulsory pooling, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests in the Wolfcamp formation underlying the SE/4 of Section 22, Township 20 South, Range 35 East, Lea County, New Mexico. Said acreage to be dedicated to a well to be drilled 660 feet from the South and East lines of said Section 22, and within one mile of the Southeast Lea-Wolfcamp Gas Pool.

Case 3822: Application of Aztec Oil & Gas Company for commingling,
Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled
cause, seeks authority to commingle San Andres production
from its State "AJ" lease comprising the SW/4 and the
W/2 NE/4 of Section 1 and its Amerada State lease comprising the N/2 NW/4 of Section 12, all in Township 18
South, Range 36 East, Arkansas Junction-San Andres Pool,
Lea County, New Mexico, allocating production to each
lease on the basis of periodic well tests.

CASE 3805: CONTINUED FROM THE JULY 10, 1968, EXAMINER HEARING

Application of Benson-Montin-Greer Drilling Corporation and Lloyd B. Taylor for Pressure Interference Tests and Back Allowable, San Juan County, New Mexico. Applicants, in the above-styled cause, seek authority to extend for an additional 60-day period from July 8, 1968, the shut-in test period authorized for one well in the La Plata Gallup Oil Pool, San Juan County, New Mexico, by Commission Order No. R-3399 and to also extend the back allowable make-up period for said well. Applicants further seek authority to drill three additional La Plata oil wells in Section 6 of Township 31 North, Range 13 West, and Sections 31 and 32, Township 32 North, Range 13 West, and to shut said wells in immediately after recovery of load oil and the establishment of initial potentials, for a period of up to 180 days for the purpose of conducting pressure interference tests, and to make-up the production lost during said test period at a later date. Applicants further seek a provision for administrative extension of the shut-in test period and the make-up period.

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BEFORE THE OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

STATE OF NEW MEXICO

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF CHARLES B. READ FOR AN UNORTHODOX WELL) LOCATION IN THE SCARB-BONE SPRINGS POOL, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

Case No.38//

APPLICATION

Comes now Charles B. Read by and through its undersigned agents and states:

- 1. Charles B. Read is the operator of the premises involved in this application; his address is 604 Security National Bank building, Roswell, New Mexico 88201.
- 2. As an exception to the special pool rules for the Scarb-Bone Springs Pool, which rules were promulgated by Order No. R-2589 in Case No. 2910, dated October 30, 1963, Charles B. Read requests permission to drill a well at a location approximately 1980 feet from the South line and 660 feet from the West line of Section 7, Township 19 South, Range 35 East, N. M. P. M., Lea County, New Mexico, which well is to be drilled to test and explore for oil and associated hydrocarbons within the Scarb-Bone Springs Pool; a plat of the area involved in this application, showing the proposed location of the unorthodox well location, and other relevant data, is attached hereto and marked Exhibit "A".

Date 7-11-68

- 3. The unorthodox location sought herein is necessary in order to permit applicant to recover his just share of the oil and gas underlying the tract to be dedicated to said well, consisting of the W/2 SW/4 of said Section 7, Township 19 South, Range 35 East, and the protection of correlative rights of all parties.
- 4. That all of said W/2 SW/4 may reasonably be presumed to be productive of oil or gas, or both, from the Scarb-Bone Springs Pool.
- 5. If this application is granted, applicant proposes to designate the well involved herein as Charles B. Read #1 Marathon State.

IT IS THEREFORE RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED that this application be set for an examiner's hearing, and upon such hearing that permission be granted to drill the unorthodox well location sought herein.

Respectfully submitted,

Charles B. Read

William J. LeMay, for LeMay & Stevens, P. O. Box 2244,

Santa Fe, New Mexico

Agents for Applicant.

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BEFORE THE NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION Santa Fe, New Mexico July 24, 1968

EXAMINER HEARING

IN THE MATTER OF:

Application of Charles B. Read for an) unorthodox oil well location, Lea County, New Mexico.

Case No. 3811

Daniel S. Nutter BEFORE:

Examiner

TRANSCRIPT OF HEARING



MR. NUTTER: We'll call Case 3811.

MR. HATCH: Case 3811. Application of Charles B. Read for an unorthodox oil well location, Lea County, New Mexico.

If the Examiner please, I believe that there's a letter requesting a dismissal; letter dated July the 22nd, 1968 signed by William J. LeMay, agents for the Applicant requesting that Case Number 3811 be dismissed.

MR. NUTTER: Case Number 3811 will be dismissed.

STATE OF NEW MEXICO)

SS.
COUNTY OF BERNALILLO)

I, CHARLOTTE MACIAS, 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 13th day of September, 1968.

Notary Public

My Commission Expires:

February 10, 1971.

I do hereby certify that the foregoing is a complete record of the proceedings in the Eraniner hearing of Case No. 3011.

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