

CASE 5920: NEW MEXICO SALT WATER  
DISPOSAL FOR SALT WATER DISPOSAL, LEA  
COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

*Will be Continued to June 8*

Case Number

5920

Application

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BEFORE THE  
NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION  
Santa Fe, New Mexico  
8 June, 1977

EXAMINER HEARING

IN THE MATTER OF:

Application of New Mexico Salt Water  
Disposal Co., Inc. for salt water  
disposal, Lea County, New Mexico.

CASE  
5920

BEFORE: Daniel S. Nutter

TRANSCRIPT OF HEARING

A P P E A R A N C E S

For the New Mexico Oil  
Conservation Commission:

Lynn Teschendorf, Esq.  
Legal Counsel for the Commission  
State Land Office Building  
Santa Fe, New Mexico

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1 MR. NUTTER: The first case we'll call this morning  
2 will be Case Number 5920.

3 MS. TESCHENDORF: Case 5920. Application of New  
4 Mexico Salt Water Disposal Co., Inc. for salt water disposal,  
5 Lea County, New Mexico.

6 MR. NUTTER: The Applicant in this case has re-  
7 quested that the Commission dismiss it.

8 Case Number 5920 will be dismissed.  
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Sally Walton Boyd, C. S. R.

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I do hereby certify that the foregoing is  
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the Examiner hearing of Case 5920  
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New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission



# OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

STATE OF NEW MEXICO

P. O. BOX 2088 - SANTA FE

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DIRECTOR  
JOE D. RAMEY

LAND COMMISSIONER

PHIL R. LUCERO  
June 15, 1977

STATE GEOLOGIST  
EMERY C. ARNOLD

Re: CASE NO. 5920  
ORDER NO. R-5463  
Mr. Charles C. Loveless, Jr.  
New Mexico Salt Water Disposal  
Company, Inc.  
P. O. Box 566  
Roswell, - New Mexico 88201

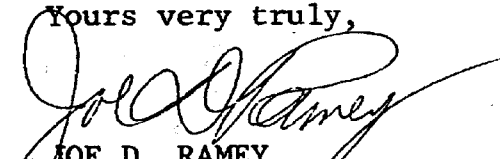
Applicant:

New Mexico Salt Water Disposal Co., Inc.

Dear Sir:

Enclosed herewith are two copies of the above-referenced  
Commission order recently entered in the subject case.

Yours very truly,

  
JOE D. RAMEY  
Director

JDR/fd

Copy of order also sent to:

Hobbs OCC X  
Artesia OCC X  
Aztec OCC       

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BEFORE THE  
NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION  
Santa Fe, New Mexico  
May 11, 1977

EXAMINER HEARING

IN THE MATTER OF:

Application of New Mexico Salt Water ) CASE  
Disposal Company, Incorporated for salt ) 5920  
water disposal, Lea County, New Mexico. )

BEFORE: Richard L. Stamets, Examiner

TRANSCRIPT OF HEARING

A P P E A R A N C E S

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Conservation Commission:	Legal Counsel for the Commission
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1 MR. STAMETS: We will call next Case 5920.

2 MS. TESCHENDORF: Case 5920, application of New Mexico  
3 Salt Water Disposal Company, Incorporated for salt water  
4 disposal, Lea County, New Mexico.

5 The applicant has requested that the Commission  
6 continue this case to the June 8th hearing.

7 MR. STAMETS: Case 5920 will be continued to the  
8 June 8th hearing.

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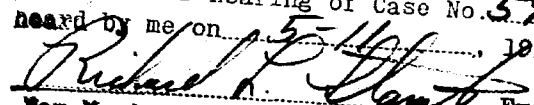
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heard by me on 5-14, 1977.  
  
Richard A. Stant, Examiner  
New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission

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. 5920  
Order No. R-5463

APPLICATION OF NEW MEXICO SALT  
WATER DISPOSAL CO., INC. FOR SALT  
WATER DISPOSAL, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

BY THE COMMISSION:

This cause came on for hearing at 9 a.m. on June 8, 1977, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner Daniel S. Nutter.

NOW, on this 14th day of June, 1977, the Commission, a quorum being present, having considered the record and the recommendations of the Examiner, and being fully advised in the premises,

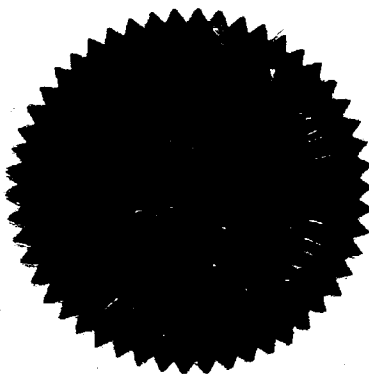
FINDS:

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

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

That Case No. 5920 is hereby dismissed.

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



STATE OF NEW MEXICO  
OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

*Phil R. Lucero*  
PHIL R. LUCERO, Chairman

*Emery C. Arnold*  
EMERY C. ARNOLD, Member

*Joe D. Ramey*  
JOE D. RAMEY, Member & Secretary

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jr/

NEW MEXICO SALT WATER DISPOSAL COMPANY, INC.

731 PETROLEUM BLDG.

P.O. BOX 566

ROSWELL, NEW MEXICO 88201

PHONE 622-1958 AREA CODE 505

June 3, 1977

New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission  
Box 2088  
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87501

Re: Case No. 5920

Gentlemen:

Subject hearing is set for June 8, 1977. It is our desire to withdraw this request for this hearing and we will make application at a later date if we feel necessary.

Thank you for your kind consideration in this matter.

Very truly yours,

*Charles C. Loveless, Jr.*  
Charles C. Loveless, Jr. *cc.*

CCL/jc

Dockets Nos. 21-77 and 22-77 are tentatively set for hearing on June 22 and July 6, 1977. Applications for hearing must be filed at least 22 days in advance of hearing date.

DOCKET: EXAMINER HEARING - WEDNESDAY - JUNE 8, 1977

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. Matter, Examiner, or Richard L. Stamets, Alternate Examiner:

CASE 5942: In the matter of the hearing called by the Oil Conservation Commission on its own motion to consider the amendment of Rule 1115 of the Commission Rules and Regulations to provide for the reporting of salt water disposal, secondary recovery, and other injection well volumes and pressures on Commission Form C-115, Operator's Monthly Report. Further to be considered will be the amendment of Form C-115 and the deletion of Rule 1120.

(Please see two potential configurations of Form C-115 enclosed)

CASE 5943: In the matter of the hearing called by the Oil Conservation Commission on its own motion to consider adoption of the following:

1. Rule 407, requiring notice to the Commission by the operator of the disconnection of any gas wells from intrastate transportation facilities.
2. Rule 1130, setting forth the requirements of the notice of disconnection.
3. Form C-130, NOTICE OF DISCONNECTION, requiring notice of the reason(s) for disconnection.

CASE 5920: (Continued from May 11, 1977 Examiner Hearing)

Application of New Mexico Salt Water Disposal Co., Inc. for salt water disposal, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks authority to dispose of produced salt water into the Devonian formation through the perforated interval from approximately 13,000 feet to 13,500 feet in its Sinclair State Lea Well No. 1, located in Unit M of Section 1, Township 11 South, Range 34 East, Sand Springs-Devonian Pool, Lea County, New Mexico.

CASE 5944: Application of Read & Stevens, Inc., for an unorthodox gas well location, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for the unorthodox location of its Hicson-State Com Well No. 1 located in Unit M of Section 23, Township 21 South, Range 27 East, Burton Flats-Morrow Gas Pool, Eddy County, New Mexico, the S/2 of said Section 23 to be dedicated to the well.

CASE 5945: 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 South Blanco-Pictured Cliffs and Blanco Mesaverde production in the wellbore of its Blanco Well No. 15 located in Unit K of Section 36, Township 28 North, Range 8 West, San Juan County, New Mexico.

CASE 5946: Application of Amoco Production Company for a dual completion and a non-standard proration unit, Roosevelt County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for the dual completion of its Swearingen "O" Well No. 1 located in Unit N of Section 18, Township 5 South, Range 33 East, Roosevelt County, New Mexico, to produce gas from the Pennsylvanian and oil from the Fusselman formations. Applicant also seeks approval for a 160-acre non-standard Pennsylvanian gas proration unit comprising the SW/4 of said Section 18.

CASE 5947: Application of Texaco Inc., for a unit agreement, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for its Central Vacuum Unit Area comprising 3046 acres, more or less, of State and fee lands in Sections 25, 30, 31 and 36, Township 17 South, Range 35 East, and Sections 5, 7, and 12, Township 18 South, Range 35 East, Lea County, New Mexico.

CASE 5948: Application of Texaco Inc., for a waterflood project, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks authority to institute a waterflood project on its Central Vacuum Unit Area by the injection of water into the Grayburg-San Andres formation through 54 wells, Vacuum Pool, Lea County, New Mexico.

CASE 5949: Application of Mesa Petroleum Company for compulsory pooling, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests in the Pennsylvanian formation underlying Section 34, Township 24 South, Range 26 East, Eddy County, New Mexico, to be dedicated to a well to be drilled at a standard location thereon. Also to be considered will be the cost of drilling and completing said well and the allocation of the cost thereof, as well as actual operating costs and charges for supervision. Also to be considered will be the designation of applicant as operator of the well and a charge for risk involved in drilling said well.

CASE 5919: Application of Tenneco Oil 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 Strawn formation through the perforated interval from 11,174 feet to 11,236 feet in its Jones Federal Well No. 1, located in Unit K of Section 23, Township 19 South, Range 31 East, Lusk-Strawn Pool, Eddy County, New Mexico.

CASE 5920: Application of New Mexico Salt Water Disposal Co., Inc. for salt water disposal, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks authority to dispose of produced salt water into the Devonian formation through the perforated interval from approximately 13,000 feet to 13,500 feet in its Sinclair State Lea Well No. 1, located in Unit M of Section 1, Township 11 South, Range 34 East, Sand Springs-Devonian Pool, Lea County, New Mexico.

CASE 5921: Application of Eastland Oil 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 Grayburg formation through perforated intervals from 3506 feet to 3593 feet in its Power Deep Unit Well No. 1, located in Unit F of Section 6, Township 18 South, Range 31 East, Power Grayburg-San Andres Pool, Eddy County, New Mexico.

CASE 5922: Application of A. L. Daugherty for an exception to Order No. R-3221, Chaves County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks, as an exception to the provisions of Commission Order No. R-3221, permission to dispose of produced salt water into an intermittent saline lake located in Section 24, Township 8 South, Range 29 East, and Section 19, Township 8 South, Range 30 East, both in Chaves County, New Mexico.

CASE 5653: (Reopened) (Continued from April 6, 1977, Examiner Hearing)

In the matter of Case 5653 being reopened pursuant to the provisions of Order No. R-5191 which order established temporary special pool rules for the Daisey-Wolfcamp Pool, Lea County, New Mexico. All interested parties may appear and show cause why said pool should not be developed on 40-acre spacing units.

CASE 5923: Application of El Paso Natural Gas Company for underground gas storage, San Juan County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks authority to institute its Barker Dome Gas Storage Project by utilizing certain wells for the injection into and withdrawal of gas from the Upper Dakota formation underlying all of Sections 8, 9, 10, 11, 14, 15, 16, 17, 20, 21, 22, 23, 28, and 29, and portions of Sections 7, 18, 19, 27, 30, and 32, all in Township 32 North, Range 14 West, Barker Creek-Dakota Pool, San Juan County, New Mexico.

CASE 5904: (Continued from April 20, 1977, Examiner Hearing)

Application of Palmer Oil & Gas Company for compulsory pooling, San Juan County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests in the Fruitland and Pictured Cliffs formations underlying the NE/4 and/or SE/4 of Section 20, Township 32 North, Range 6 West, San Juan County, New Mexico, and in the Mesaverde and Dakota formations underlying the E/2 of said Section 20, the above-described lands to be dedicated to a well to be drilled at a standard location thereon. Also to be considered will be the cost of drilling and completing said well and the allocation of the cost thereof, as well as actual operating costs and charges for supervision. Also to be considered will be the designation of applicant as operator of the well and a charge for risk involved in drilling said well.

CASE 5905: (Continued from April 20, 1977, Examiner Hearing)

Application of Palmer Oil & Gas Company for compulsory pooling, San Juan County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests in the Mesaverde and Dakota formations underlying the W/2 SE/4 and the E/2 SW/4 of Section 3, and the NW/4 of Section 10, and all mineral interests in the Pictured Cliffs and Fruitland formations underlying the NW/4 of Section 10, all in Township 31 North, Range 7 West, San Juan County, New Mexico, to be dedicated to a well to be drilled 1800 feet from the North line and 850 feet from the West line of said Section 10. Also to be considered will be the cost of drilling and completing said well and the allocation of the cost thereof, as well as actual operating costs and charges for supervision. Also to be considered will be the designation of applicant as operator of the well and a charge for risk involved in drilling said well.

CASE 5906: (Continued from April 20, 1977, Examiner Hearing)

Application of Palmer Oil & Gas Company for compulsory pooling, San Juan County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests in the Mesaverde and Dakota formations underlying the W/2 SW/4 of Section 2, the E/2 SE/4 of Section

(Case 5906 continued on Page 3)

Case  
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NEW MEXICO SALT WATER DISPOSAL COMPANY, INC.

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ROSWELL, NEW MEXICO 88201

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March 22, 1977

New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission  
Land Office Building  
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87501

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Gentlemen:

Will you please schedule a hearing at your convenience for the re-entry of the abandoned Devonian well in the SW/4 Section 1, T11S-R34E, Lea County, New Mexico, for conversion as a salt water disposal well in the Devonian formation.

If you need further information in this matter please advise.

Yours very truly,

*Charles C. Loveless, Jr.*  
Charles C. Loveless, Jr. *by Jd*  
President

CCL/jd

*Sinclair State Lea 840 Well No 1*  
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*Dev.*  
*mill off top of prod strg*  
*latch on w/ 4800' new csg (5'2)*  
*2 1/2" lined strg*

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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. 5920

Order No. R- 5463

*Self*  
APPLICATION OF NEW MEXICO SALT  
WATER DISPOSAL CO., INC. FOR SALT  
WATER DISPOSAL, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

*JS* *Don*  
ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

BY THE COMMISSION:

This cause came on for hearing at 9 a.m. on June 8, 1977,  
at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner Daniel S. Nutter.

NOW, on this \_\_\_\_\_ day of June, 1977, the Commission,  
a quorum being present, having considered the record and the recom-  
mendations 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. 5920 is hereby dismissed.

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