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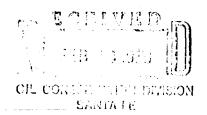
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New Mexico Oil Conservation Comm. P. O. Box 2088 Santa Fe, New Mexico 87501

Attn: Dan Nutter

Re: (Case No. 6451

Dear Mr. Nutter:

Enclosed is the production history for our Coll A # 1 which came up during the hearing on the subject case. As you can see it is so small and the well has only produced 1720 MCF during it's five year life. I did not break this down by months as it averages only 28 MCF per month, or less than 1 MCF per day.

As requested during the hearing I am filing this day for a non-standard 160 acre unit on our Harrison Lease, being case # 6452.

Yours very truly,

LBB/sw

Enc:

BURLESON & HUFF

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First Production December 1973

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STATE OF NEW MEXICO ENERGY AND MINERALS DEPARTMENT OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

IN THE MATTER OF THE HEARING CALLED BY THE OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONSIDERING:

> CASE NO. 6451 Order No. R-5969

APPLICATION OF BURLESON & HUFF FOR APPROVAL OF INFILL DRILLING AND AN UNORTHODOX WELL LOCATION, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

ORDER OF THE DIVISION

BY THE DIVISION:

This cause came on for hearing at 9 a.m. on February 14, 1979, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner Daniel S. Nutter.

NOW, on this 9th day of April, 1979, the Division Director, having considered the testimony, the record, and the recommendations of the Examiner, and being fully advised in the premises,

FINDS:

- (1) That due public notice having been given as required by law, the Division has jurisdiction of this cause and the subject matter the eof.
- (2) That the applicant, Burleson & Huff, seeks a finding that the drilling of its proposed Coll A Well No. 2, at an unortholox location 1980 feet from the North line and 330 feet from the East line of Section 29, Township 25 South, Range 37 East, NMPM, Jalmat Gas Pool, Lea County, New Mexico, to be dedicated to the existing proration unit comprising the NE/4 of said Section 29, is necessary to effectively and efficiently drain that portion of the proration unit which cannot be so drained by the existing unit well.
- (3) That the standard spacing unit for the Jalmat Gas Pool is 640 acres.
- (4) That the applicant further seeks a waiver of existing well spacing requirements for the Jalmat Gas Pool to permit the aforesaid well to be drilled at the proposed location.

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- (5) That the existing unit well, applicant's Coll A Well No. 1, located in Unit G of Section 29, is a very poor producer and has been such since its completion in December, 1976.
- of recoverable gas underlying the NE/4 of Section 29, and that these reserves cannot be economically recovered by the existing unit well, but that they might be recovered by applicant's proposed well.
- (7) That approval of the infill drilling of applicant's proposed Coll A Well No. 2 at the proposed unorthodox location is in the interest of conservation, will prevent waste, will not impair correlative rights, and should be approved.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

- (1) That the applicant, Burleson & Huff, is hereby authorized an exception to the well spacing requirements to drill an infill well, its Coll A Well No. 2 at a point 1980 feet from the North line and 330 feet from the East line of Section 29, Township 25 South, Range 37 East, NMPM, Jalmat Gas Pool, Lea County, New Mexico, the NE/4 of said Section 29 to be dedicated to the well.
- (2) That jurisdiction of this cause is retained for the entry of such further orders as the Division may deem necessary.

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

of Conservation Division

STATE OF NEW MEXICO

JOE D. RAMEY Director

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STATE OF NEW MEXICO ENERGY AND MINERALS DEPARTMENT OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

NICK FRANKLIN SECRETARY

April 9, 1979

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Mr. Jason Kellahin Kellahin & Kellahin	Re:	CASE NO. ORDER NO.	6451 R-5969
Attorneys at Law Post Office Box 1769 Santa Fe, New Mexico		Applicant:	
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Dear Sir:			
Enclosed herewith are			
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Yours very truly,		-	
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EXAMINER HEARING

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MR. NUTTER: Call next Case 6451.

MS. TESCHENDORF: Case 6451. Application of Burleson and Huff for approval of infill drilling and an unorthodox well location, Lea County, New Mexico.

MR. KELLAHIN: Jason Kellahin, appearing for the applicant, and we have one witness to be sworn.

(Witness sworn.)

LEWIS BURLESON

being called as a witness and having been duly sworn upon his oath, testified as follows, to-wit:

DIRECT EXAMINATION

BY MR. KELLAHIN:

- Would you state your name, please?
- Lewis Burleson.
- And what position do you hold, Mr. Burleson, in Burleson and Huff?
 - I'm the owner of Burleson and Huff.
- Have you ever testified before the Oil Conservation Division or any of its examiners?
 - Yes, I have.
- And made your qualifications a matter of record?
 - Yes, I have.

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MR. KELLAHIN: Are the witness' qualifications acceptable?

MR. NUTTER: Yes, they are.

Q (Mr. Kellahin continuing.) Mr. Burleson, what is proposed by Burleson and Huff in Case Number 6451?

A We propose to drill our Coll No. A-2 at an unorthodox location 330 from the east line, 1980 from the north line of Section 29, 25 South, 37 East, Lea County, New Mexico, as shown in Exhibit Number One, and this would be a replacement well for our Coll A No. 1, which is barely surviving right now, as I will later testify, or I will show in the Exhibit Six.

MR. NUTTER: What is the location of the No. 1, Mr. Burleson?

A. It's 1980 from the north and the east of Section 29.

MR. NUTTER: And what acreage is dedicated to it?

A. The northeast quarter of Section 29, 160 acre tract is dedicated to this well.

MR. NUTTER: That's the outlined red area on Exhibit Number Two, is that right?

A Right.

MR. NUTTER: And Exhibit Number One.

A. That is correct.

MR. NUTTER: Okay.

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A. Exhibit Number -- Number One is a plat of the area showing the 160-acre unit and our -- and our location 330 from the east, 1980 from the north.

Our Exhibit Number Two --

- Q (Mr. Kellahin continuing.) That also shows the offsetting ownership, does it not?
- A. Right. Exhibit Number Two shows the offset ownership, being Burleson and Huff and to the north; to the northeast; and to the east; to the south and to the southwest; Bettis, Ball and Stovall (sic) to the west and northwest; and Atlantic Richfield Company to the south, to the southeast.
- Q Now you have obtained waivers from those offsetting operators, have you not?
- A Exhibit Number Three and Exhibit Number Four will be waivers from Bettis, Ball, and Stovall and Atlantic Richfield on our 330, No. 2 Coll Well.
- Now referring to your Exhibit Number Five, would you identify that Exhibit, please?
- A. Number Five will be our application to drill, the C-101, with a plat showing the 330/1980 staking of this well.
- And your Exhibit Number Six, will you identify it?

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A. This would be the history of the Coll A No. 1 starting in December of 1976, down to January of 1979.

The first column will be the bottom hole pressure. The second column would be the Mcf that this well has produced. The third column would be the gross runs. The fourth column would be the tax on this gas, and the fifth column would be the gross royalties that this well has made during this two-year period.

- Q Now the Coll No. 1 is presently producing, is it not?
- A. Yes, this well in January of 1979, or last month, produced 14 Mcf.
- a And do you propose to do with it in the event your new location is approved?
- A. We will either plug this well within a two-month period or we will -- since the pipe for this well is set down in the Queen -- we will make a Langlie-Mattix well out of this and plug the Jalmat-Yates gas zone.

The working interest revenue for 1977 in this well was \$133; in 1978 was \$71.00.

- Q In your opinion is the Yates No. 1 -- I mean the Coll No. 1 Well draining the unit, the 160-acre unit dedicated to it?
 - A. No, it is not.
 - Q Is it capable of doing so?

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A. No, it is not.

Q Will a well located as you propose result in the production of gas that would not -- hydrocarbons that would not be recovered by any other well on that unit?

A. Right. I feel that we have to dig this new well to thoroughly drain this 160-acre unit.

I would like to make a comment there, back on our 330 location.

This well is in the Townsite of Jal and there are houses, if we pull this on a normal location 660, we would be drilling on top of an old Yates well, and we'll pull it over 330. If we go north of that, we are in where there are several houses and homes.

Q. That's the reason for the unorthodox location?

A. Yes, sir.

Q. And you are asking for the dedication of a nonstandard 160-acre unit.

A. That is correct.

Q Were Exhibits One through Six prepared by you or under your supervision?

A. Yes, they were.

MR. KELLAHIN: At this time we'll offer Exhibits One through Six, inclusive.

MR. NUTTER: Applicant's Exhibits One through

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Six will be admitted in evidence.

Are there any questions of this witness?

Ms. Teschendorf?

CROSS EXAMINATION

BY MS. TESCHENDORF:

Q I just want to clarify a couple of points for the record.

This well has not been spudded yet, is that right?

- A. No. No, it has not.
- Q Okay, and has your drilling permit been approved?
 - A. Yes, it has. It is Exhibit Number --
 - Q I don't have a signed copy of it.
 - A. Well --
- Q. Could you tell me the date on which it was approved?
- A. No, it is not approved, because this is a 330 location, I'm sorry, and it's being held for this hearing.
 - C. Right.
- A. This is our application for that, but it's being held for this hearing.
 - Q So if your permit is approved it will be after

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the January 1st date that the regs set out.

- A. Yes, it would.
- A Have you made any calculations as to an increase in ultimate reserves under this proration unit if you drill a second well?
 - A No, I have not.
- Q In your opinion will ultimate reserves be substantially increased by the drilling of this well?
 - A Yes, they would.

Yes, because the present well is at or below the economic limits.

- And you feel that there are still substantial
 reserves of gas there that can be recovered?
 - A. Right. That is correct.
- Okay. This is a nonstandard unit. Was this
 nonstandard unit previously approved?
 - A. Yes, ma'am.
- Q Do you know when? Was it when the first well was drilled?
- A. Right, when our Coll No. A-1 was put onstream. I may have that date. I can give it to you. I'll have to look for it.
- Q Well, just so we know it was previously approved.
 - A. Yes, it was.

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Okay. I'd like to get into why your Coll
A No. 1 has become such a poor producer, or was it always
a poor producer?

A. It's always been a poor producer. This was a re-entry of an old R. Olson well in which they had attempted to complete in the Yates and we tried to isolate a zone below their perforations, and when we fraced that we did go ahead and communicate with this other zone, so this well never has been a good well at all.

Q What's the nature of the reservoir in this area?

A. Now, this is one of the highest points structurally in the Yates in Lea County, and it has some major problems due to poor plugging wells in past history. Being, one, if you notice on the one plat, in the center of that 160-acre unit there's a well there, and it's the old Texaco Leanheart No. 1, which produced a fabulous amount of gas, and I think it was plugged in the early '40s, and we're getting water in the Yates formation at this high structural level, which shouldn't be in there.

Q What formation was the Texaco well producing from?

A. From the Yates.

Now, the -- I didn't put a number on it, but the well that is located 660 from the east, 1980 from the

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north, this was the old Anderson-Pritchard Coll No. 1, which was a Devonian well, and Burleson and Huff re-entered it and got water in the Yates, but we had a shut-in pressure of 800 pounds, and at that time we didn't think it was economic to produce this well with the water in it.

Now I think if we get the water in our No. 2, that it is economic to produce that, that zone.

- Q What about the Olson well that's on here?
- A. To the north?
- 0. Yeah.
- A. This is a well that was drilled in the '50s and tested the Queen and never perforated the Yates sand.
 - Q What about this well that looks like it's --
 - A. 660?
 - Q -- 660 from the --
- A. All right, that's the Anderson-Pritchard Coll No. 1, which was a Devonian well, and Burleson and Huff re-entered that well in 1970 and perforated the Yates and got gas with water in it, and at that time with the price of gas, we plugged that well, as being noncommercial.
- Q It looks like there have been a number of wells on this unit that have produced from the Jalmat over the years.
 - A. Two wells.
 - Q Two wells.

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- Q Uh-huh. And also the Anderson-Pritchard well.
 - A Was a Devonian well.
- A Devonian well but I understand you plugged it back.
 - A. But we plugged it back.
 - Ω So it also produced.
- A. Well, it just had some -- we never did -- we never completed this well, so I'd have to say it did not.

CROSS EXAMINATION

BY MR. NUTTER:

Mr. Burleson, the well that's in the northwest quarter of this quarter section is the old Queen well?

A. Yes. Well, it did -- they plugged this well. It did make a little bit of oil in the Queen.

Q. Did it ever -- was it ever completed in the Yates or in one of the Jalmat gas zones?

A. No, it was not.

Now, when you completed your Coll A No. 1 in the Yates, when you recompleted it, when was that?

A I can't give you -- I would say in 1971.

I didn't bring that -- that completion file with me.

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I would like a little production history on that well, if you please. We've got production starting with December of 1976, but at that time it was making 1 Mcf per day, and I just wondered what the history was prior to that time.

A All right, I'll be -- I'll have to say that when we completed this well, we completed and it was making, say, 2 Mcf a day.

El Paso had a line in there and took it.

This is a fee lease, so we completed it and we were able to hold that 160 acres with this, and it is a marginal well.

It always has been a marginal well.

- Q The best production you ever got from it was a couple of Mcf a day?
- A. That's right, and they had -- right by this they had a low pressure line of twelve pounds and they could take the gas.
- And according, then, to Exhibit Number Six it has declined now to where you make about 1/2 an Mcf per day.
 - A That is right.
- Q Do you know what your cumulative gas production has been from the well?
 - A I do not have that figure.
 - Q That's a matter -- you have filed it with the

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A. Right.

Q. And we'll take administrative notice of our records there, just establish how much cumulative production has been from the well since it was recompleted.

MR. NUTTER: Mr. Ramey, did you have any questions?

MR. RAMEY: Yes, let me ask a few.

CROS EXAMINATION

BY MR. RAMEY:

Q. Mr. Burleson, I notice your -- your income for your working interest net revenue was \$133.74 in '77 with operating costs of \$63.10, so you made about \$70.00 on the well that year?

A. That is correct.

Q And then in '78, why you lost about \$6.50, your operating cost was more than --

A That's correct. You know, in October and November was in the period that we lost, you know, but for the average that year, yes, we did.

Q Okay, on your perforating the old Union

Texas well, which is probably 330 feet west of your proposed location, is that not right?

A. Right.

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Q You say you encountered a bottom hole pressure about 800 pounds?

- A. Yes, we did.
- With gas?
- A. With gas and some water.

Q. And some water, so you would anticipate, I would assume, at your new location that you would -- you would hit a comparable zone.

A. Right. I would think that we -- there are gas reserves there, and with the price of gas, we can afford to lift that water that is in there.

Q So you would anticipate getting, for this, in comparison to your Coll A No. 1, why you would anticipate getting a high pressure well.

A. Right, that would be correct.

Q So therefore there are reserves in -- at least in the southeast quarter of this quarter section.

A. That would be correct.

Q What about offset gas production? What kind of -- I notice you seem to operate wells on the north and on the south.

A All right, on the south would be Burleson and Huff Gupman No. 1, and that well produces -- I happen to have the production.

In November of last year the -- let me find

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The Leonard No. 1, which would be the offset unit to the north, is a marginal well. It produced 1243

Mcf at 14.73 pressure base.

What -- is that a month's production?

A Yes, sir, it would be for the month of November. Do you want the others?

The Sanders Estate, which would be the east offset unit, produced -- would be our best well -- that produced 9036 Mcf for the month of November.

A I think that's enough. So, in essence, you have good production to the south and to the east and better production to the north, and so it appears that your Coll A No. 1 is an anomaly in a pretty good producing area, compared to the other wells.

A. Yes, sir, it is.

Q Okay, thank you.

MR. NUTTER: Okay, one more question, Mr.

Burleson.

RECROSS EXAMINATION

BY MR. NUTTER:

Q Why was the Texaco well abandoned if it was a fabulous well?

A I think because we're in a real tough

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geological area in here and I don't -- but they open holed -in fact, I understand this well produced most of the gas
that went into the line from Jal to El Paso for two or
three years, and they pulled the bottom hole pressure down
enough in the Yates, so they brought the Seven Rivers Reef
water, and I think they have a patch reef setting in this
area, because we're on the Crosby Deep structure, and our
Sanders Well to the east produces Yates at 2200 feet, so
you can see how much higher it is than the normal production
at 3000, and we are making water at 2200 feet on our Sanders
No. 2, because, I think, this reef water out of the Seven
Rivers has come into the Yates through those bore holes,
which there is about ten out there.

Q. And --

A. So they -- I think the water got to them that -- and they didn't know what, you know -- you would assume that the well really watered out.

Q Was the recompletion attempt made on the old Anderson-Pritchard Devonian well when they recompleted in the Yates and got water, was this made after Texaco had plugged that other well?

A. Plugged that well, yes, sir. I think

Texaco plugged that well in '60, or in the '50s, and we

did this attempt on the Devonian well in the '70s, '71.

Q So if water was in the Seven Rivers and had

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migrated into the Yates, it was present there.

A. Well, our Sanders No. 1 Well, which has been temporarily abandoned, this is the east offset to this well. It had been temporarily abandoned because we -- we opened that well -- that used to be a TP well and we opened it back up and had an allowable well. In fact, it was -- when TP abandoned it, it was making water and no gas, and we re-entered and cleaned out and we potentialed that well for 14-million with no water.

Then, as we pulled the bottom hole pressure down in the Yates, here came the Seven Rivers water, and we had to temporarily abandon that well.

And then you recompleted your No. 2 Well east of it.

A. Yes, sir. And now it's strange, just on the west side of the structure you get water in the Yates; on the east side you do not.

Q. Okay.

MR. NUTTER: Are there any further questions of Mr. Burleson? He may be excused.

Do you have anything further, Mr. Kellahin?

MR. KELLAEIN: No, I don't, Mr. Nutter, thank

MR. NUTTER: Does anyone have anything they wish to offer in Case Number 6451? Take the case under advisement. (Hearing concluded.)

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REPORTER'S CERTIFICATE

I, SALLY W. BOYD, a Court Reporter, DO HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing and attached Transcript of Hearing before the Oil Conservation Division was reported by me; that the said transcript is a full, true, and correct record of the hearing, prepared by me to the best of my ability, knowledge and skill, from my notes taken at the time of the hearing.

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- Q And made your qualifications a matter of record?
 - A. Yes, I have.

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MR. KELLAHIN: Are the witness' qualifications acceptable?

MR. NUTTER: Yes, they are.

Q (Mr. Kellahin continuing.) Mr Burleson, what is proposed by Burleson and Huff in Case Number 6451?

A. We propose to drill our Coll No. A-2 at an unorthodox location 330 from the east line, 1980 from the north line of Section 29, 25 South, 37 East, Lea County, New Mexico, as shown in Exhibit Number One, and this would be a replacement well for our Coll A No. 1, which is barely surviving right now, as I will later testify, or I will show in the Exhibit Six.

MR. NUTTER: What is the location of the No. 1, Mr. Burleson?

A. It's 1980 from the north and the east of Section 29.

MR. NUTTER: And what acreage is dedicated to it?

A. The northeast quarter of Section 29, 160 acre tract is dedicated to this well.

MR. NUTTER: That's the outlined red area on Exhibit Number Two, is that right?

A. Right.

MR. NUTTER: And Exhibit Number One.

A. That is correct.

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MR. NUTTER: Okay.

A Exhibit Number -- Number One is a plat of the area showing the 160-acre unit and our -- and our location 330 from the east, 1980 from the north.

Our Exhibit Number Two --

- Q (Mr. Kellahin continuing.) That also shows the offsetting ownership, does it not?
- A Right. Exhibit Number Two shows the offset ownership, being Burleson and Huff and to the north; to the northeast; and to the east; to the south and to the southwest; Bettis, Ball and Stovall (sic) to the west and northwest; and Atlantic Richfield Company to the south, to the southeast.
- Now you have obtained waivers from those offsetting operators, have you not?
- A. Exhibit Number Three and Exhibit Number Four will be waivers from Bettis, Ball, and Stovall and Atlantic Richfield on our 330, No. 2 Coll Well.
- Q Now referring to your Exhibit Number Five, would you identify that Exhibit, please?
- A Number Five will be our application to drill, the C-101, with a plat showing the 330/1980 staking of this well.
- Q And your Exhibit Number Six, will you identify it?

This would be the history of the Coll A No. 1 starting in December of 1976, down to January of 1979.

The first column will be the bottom hole pressure. The second column would be the Mcf that this well has produced. The third column would be the gross runs. The fourth column would be the tax on this gas, and the fifth column would be the gross royalties that this well has made during this two-year period.

- Now the Coll No. 1 is presently producing, is it not?
- Yes, this well in January of 1979, or last month, produced 14 Mcf.
- And do you propose to do with it in the event your new location is approved?
- We will either plug this well within a twomonth period or we will -- since the pipe for this well is set down in the Queen -- we will make a Langlie-Mattix well out of this and plug the Jalmat-Yates gas zone.

The working interest revenue for 1977 in this well was \$133; in 1978 was \$71.00.

- In your opinion is the Yates No. 1 -- I mean the Coll No. 1 Well draining the unit, the 160-acre unit dedicated to it?
 - No, it is not.
 - Is it capable of doing so?

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Will a well located as you propose result in the production of gas that would not -- hydrocarbons that would not be recovered by any other well on that unit?

A Right. I feel that we have to dig this new well to thoroughly drain this 160-acre unit.

I would like to make a comment there, back on our 330 location.

This well is in the Townsite of Jal and there are houses, if we pull this on a normal location 660, we would be drilling on top of an old Yates well, and we'll pull it over 330. If we go north of that, we are in where there are several houses and homes.

Q That's the reason for the unorthodox location?

A Yes, sir.

And you are asking for the dedication of a nonstandard 160-acre unit.

A That is correct.

Q Were Exhibits One through Six prepared by you or under your supervision?

A Yes, they were.

MR. RELLANIN: At this time we'll offer Exhibits One through Six, inclusive.

MR. NUTTER: Applicant's Exhibits One through

Six will be admitted in evidence.

Are there any questions of this witness?

Ms. Teschendorf?

CROSS EXAMINATION

BY MS. TESCHENDORF:

Q I just want to clarify a couple of points for the record.

This well has not been spudded yet, is that right?

- A No. No, it has not.
- Q Okay, and has your drilling permit been approved?
 - A Yes, it has. It is Exhibit Number --
 - Q I don't have a signed copy of it.
 - A. Well --
- Q Could you tell me the date on which it was approved?
- A. No, it is not approved, because this is a 330 location, I'm sorry, and it's being held for this hearing.
 - Q Right.
- A This is our application for that, but it's being held for this hearing.
 - Q So if your permit is approved it will be after

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the January 1st date that the regs set out.

- A Yes, it would.
- Q Have you made any calculations as to an increase in ultimate reserves under this proration unit if you drill a second well?
 - A No, I have not.
- Q In your opinion will ultimate reserves be substantially increased by the drilling of this well?
 - A Yes, they would.

Yes, because the present well is at or below the economic limits.

- Q And you feel that there are still substantial reserves of gas there that can be recovered?
 - A. Right. That is correct.
- Q Okay. This is a nonstandard unit. Was this nonstandard unit previously approved?
 - A. Yes, ma'am.
- Q Do you know when? Was it when the first well was drilled?
- L Right, when our Coll No. A-1 was put onstream. I may have that date. I can give it to you. I'll
 have to look for it.
- Q Well, just so we know it was previously approved.
 - A Yes, it was.

Okay. I'd like to get into why your Coll A No. 1 has become such a poor producer, or was it always a poor producer?

It's always been a poor producer. This was a re-entry of an old R. Olson well in which they had attempted to complete in the Yates and we tried to isolate a zone below their perforations, and when we fraced that we did go ahead and communicate with this other zone, so this well never has been a good well at all.

What's the nature of the reservoir in this area?

Now, this is one of the highest points structurally in the Yates in Lea County, and it has some major problems due to poor plugging wells in past history. Being, one, if you notice on the one plat, in the center of that 160-acre unit there's a well there, and it's the old Texaco Leanheart No. 1, which produced a fabulous amount of gas, and I think it was plugged in the early '40s, and we're getting water in the Yates formation at this high structural level, which shouldn't be in there.

What formation was the Texaco well producing from?

From the Yates.

Now, the -- I didn't put a number on it, but the well that is located 660 from the east, 1980 from the

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north, this was the old Anderson-Pritchard Coll No. 1, which was a Devonian well, and Burleson and Huff re-entered it and got water in the Yates, but we had a shut-in pressure of 800 pounds, and at that time we didn't think it was economic to produce this well with the water in it.

Now I think if we get the water in our No. 2, that it is economic to produce that, that zone.

- Q What about the Olson well that's on here?
- A To the north?
- Q Yeah.
- A. This is a well that was drilled in the '50s and tested the Queen and never perforated the Yates sand.
 - Q What about this well that looks like it's --
 - A 660?
 - Q -- 660 from the --
- A All right, that's the Anderson-Pritchard Coll No. 1, which was a Devonian well, and Burleson and Huff re-entered that well in 1970 and perforated the Yates and got gas with water in it, and at that time with the price of gas, we plugged that well, as being noncommercial.
- Q It looks like there here been a number of wells on this unit that have produced from the Jalmat over the years.
 - A Two wells.
 - Q Two wells.

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- Q Uh-huh. And also the Anderson-Pritchard well.
 - A. Was a Devonian well.
- Q A Devonian well but I understand you plugged it back.
 - A. But we plugged it back.
 - Q so it also produced.
- A. Well, it just had some -- we never did -- we never completed this well, so I'd have to say it did not.

CROSS EXAMINATION

BY MR. NUTTER:

- Mr. Burleson, the well that's in the northwest quarter of this quarter section is the old Queen well?
- A. Yes. Well, it did -- they plugged this well. It did make a little bit of oil in the Queen.
- Q Did it ever -- was it ever completed in the Yates or in one of the Jalmat gas zones?
 - A No, it was not.
- Q Now, when you completed your Coll A No. 1 in the Yates, when you recompleted it, when was that?
- A I can't give you -- I would say in 1971.

 I didn't bring that -- that completion file with me.

I would like a little production history on that well, if you please. We've got production starting with December of 1976, but at that time it was making 1 Mcf per day, and I just wondered what the history was prior to that time.

A All right, I'il be -- I'll have to say that when we completed this well, we completed and it was making, say, 2 Mcf a day.

El Paso had a line in there and took it.

This is a fee lease, so we completed it and we were able to hold that 160 acres with this, and it is a marginal well.

It always has been a marginal well.

Q The best production you ever got from it was a couple of Mcf a day?

A. That's right, and they had -- right by this they had a low pressure line of twelve pounds and they could take the gas.

And according, then, to Exhibit Number Six it has declined now to where you make about 1/2 an Mcf per day.

A. That is right.

Q Do you know what your cumulative gas products has been from the well?

A I do not have that figure.

Q That's a matter -- you have filed it with the

A. Right.

And we'll take administrative notice of our

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records there, just establish how much cumulative production has been from the well since it was recompleted.

MR. NUTTER: Mr. Ramey, did you have any questions?

MR. RAMEY: Yes, let me ask a few.

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BY MR. RAMBY:

Mr. Burleson, I notice your -- your income for your working interest net revenue was \$133.74 in '77 with operating costs of \$63.10, so you made about \$70.00 on the well that year?

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That is correct.

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And then in '78, why you lost about \$6.50, your operating cost was more than --

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That's correct. You know, in October and November was in the period that we lost, you know, but for

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the average that year, yes, we did.

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Okay, on your perforating the old Union Texas well, which is probably 330 feet west of your propose

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A. Right.

location, is that not right?

You say you encountered a bottom hole pressure

In November of last year the -- let me find

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it. The Gupman produced 2703 at 14.73 Mcf for the month.

The Leonard No. 1, which would be the offset unit to the north, is a marginal well. It produced 1243 Mcf at 14.73 pressure base.

- Q What -- is that a month's production?
- A Yes, sir, it would be for the month of November. Do you want the others?

The Sanders Estate, which would be the east offset unit, produced -- would be our best well -- that produced 9036 Mcf for the month of November.

A I think that's enough. So, in essence, you have good production to the south and to the east and better production to the north, and so it appears that your Coll A No. 1 is an anomaly in a pretty good producing area, compared to the other wells.

- A Yes, sir, it is.
- Q Okay, thank you.

MR. NUTTER: Okay, one more question, Mr.

Burleson.

RECROSS EXAMINATION

BY MR. NUTTER:

Why was the Texaco well abandoned if it was
 a fabulous well?

A I think because we're in a real tough

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geological area in here and I don't -- but they open holed -in fact, I understand this well produced most of the gas
that went into the line from Jal to El Paso for two or
three years, and they pulled the bottom hole pressure down
enough in the Yates, so they brought the Seven Rivers Reef
water, and I think they have a patch reef setting in this
area, because we're on the Crosby Deep structure, and our
Sanders Well to the east produces Yates at 2200 feet, so
you can see how much higher it is than the normal production
at 3000, and we are making water at 2200 feet on our Sanders
No. 2, because, I think, this reef water out of the Seven
Rivers has come into the Yates through those bore holes,
which there is about ten out there.

Q. And --

A. So they -- I think the water got to them that -- and they didn't know what, you know -- you would assume that the well really watered out.

Q. Was the recompletion attempt made on the old Anderson-Pritchard Devonian well when they recompleted in the Yates and got water, was this made after Texaco had plugged that other well?

A Plugged that well, yes, sir. I think

Texaco plugged that well in '60, or in the '50s, and we

did this attempt on the Devonian well in the '70s, '71.

Q So if water was in the Seven Rivers and had

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migrated into the Yates, it was present there.

A Well, our Sanders No. 1 Well, which has been temporarily abandoned, this is the east offset to this well. It had been temporarily abandoned because we -- we opened that well -- that used to be a TP well and we opened it back up and had an allowable well. In fact, it was -- when TP abandoned it, it was making water and no gas, and we re-entered and cleaned out and we potentialed that well for 14-million with no water.

Then, as we pulled the bottom hole pressure down in the Yates, here came the Seven Rivers water, and we had to temporarily abandon that well.

And then you recompleted your No. 2 Well east of it.

A. Yes, sir. And now it's strange, just on the west side of the structure you get water in the Yates; on the east side you do not.

Q Okay.

MR. NUTTER: Are there any further questions of Mr. Burleson? He may be excused.

Do you have anything further, Mr. Kellahin?

MR. KELLAHIN: No, I don't, Mr. Nutter, thank
you.

MR. NUTTER: Does anyone have anything they wish to offer in Case Number 6451? Take the case under advisement. (Hearing concluded.)

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REPORTER'S CERTIFICATE

I, SALLY W. BOYD, a Court Reporter, DO HEREBY

CERTIFY that the foregoing and attached Transcript of

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Sally W. Boyd, C.S.R.

I do hereby certify that the foregoing is a complete that of the proceedings in the Examiner hearing of Case No. 19.79

Oil conservation Division

Dockets Nos. 7-79 and 8-79 are tentatively set for hearing on February 28 and March 14, 1979. Applications for hearing must be filed at least 22 days in advance of hearing date.

DOCKET: EXAMINER HEARING - WEDNESDAY - FEBRUARY 14, 1979

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

The following cases will be heard before Daniel S. Nutter, Examiner, or Richard L. Stamets, Alternate Examiner:

- ALLOWABLE: (1) Consideration of the allowable production of gas for March, 1979, from fifteen prorated pools in Lea, Eddy, and Chaves Counties, New Mexico.
 - (2) Consideration of the allowable production of gas for March, 1979, from four prorated pools in San Juan, Rio Arriba, and Sandoval Counties, New Mexico.
 - (3) Consideration of purchaser's nominations for the one year period beginning April 1, 1979, for both of the above areas.
- CASE 6445: In the matter of the hearing called by the Oil Conservation Division on ito own motion to permit Consolidated Minerals Development Corporation, American Surety Company, and all other interested parties to appear and show cause why the Sarah "S" Well No. 1 located in Unit J of Section 26, Township 31 North, Range 23 East, Colfax County, New Mexico, should not be plugged and abandoned in accordance with a Division-approved plugging program.
- CASE 6446: Application of Flag-Redfern 0il 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 San Andres formation through the perforated iterval from 4,969 feet to 4,984 feet in its Santa Fe Well No. 2 located in Unit D of Section 35, Township 10 South, Range 36 East, Dickinson-San Andres Pool, Lea County, New Mexico.
- CASE 6447: Application of Atlantic Richfield Company for approval of infill drilling and an unorthodox well location, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks a finding that the drilling of its J. R. Phillips "B" Well No. 6 to be located at an unorthodox location 990 feet from the North line and 1650 feet from the West line of Section 31, Township 19 South, Range 37 East, Eumont Gas Pool, Lea County, New Mexico, is necessary to effectively and efficiently drain that portion of the previously approved 160-acre non-standard provation unit which cannot be so drained by the existing unit well.
- CASE 6448: Application of Sam H. Snoddy for amendment of Order No. R-5521, Lea County, New Mexico.

 Applicant, in the above styled cause, seeks the amendment of Order No. R-5521 to change the 160acre non-standard profession unit to a 320-acre non-standard proration unit comprising the SW/4 of
 Section 25 and the NW/4 of Section 36, both in Township 20 South, Range 32 East, South Salt Lake
 Field, Lea County, New Mexico.
- CASE 6449: Application of The Superior Oil Company for downhole commingling, Eddy County, New Mexico.

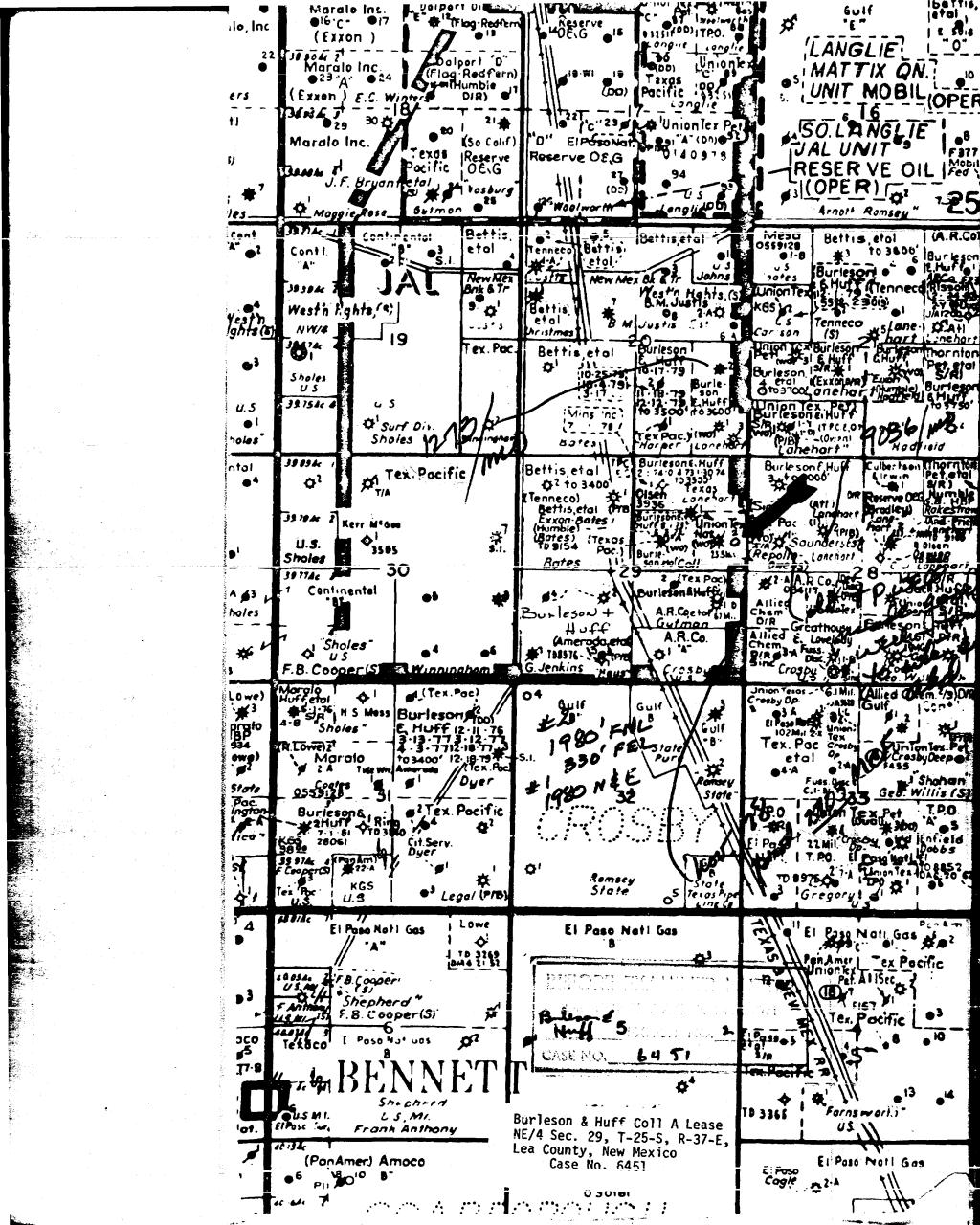
 Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for the downhole commingling of Strawn and Morrow production in the wellbore of its Ryan Com. Well No. 1 located in Unit D of Section 5, Township 23 South, Range 27 East, South Carlsbad Field, Eddy County, New Mexico.
- CASE 6450: Application of Sun Oil Company for a unit agreement, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for its East Millman Pool Unit Area comprising 920 acres, more or less, of Federal and state lands in Township 19 South, Range 28 East, Eddy County, New Mexico.
- CASE 6451: Application of Burleson & Huff for approval of infill drilling and an unorthodox well location, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks a finding that the drilling of its Coll A Well No. 2 to be located at an unorthodox location 1980 feet from the North line and 330 feet from the East line of Section 29, Township 25 South, Range 37 East, Jalmat Gas Pool, Lea County, New Mexico, is necessary to effectively and efficiently drain that portion of the previously approved 160-acre non-standard proration unit which cannot be so drained by the existing unit well.
- CASE 6452: Application of Burleson & Huff for approval of infill drilling, Lea County, New Mexico.

 Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks a finding that the recompletion of its Harrison Well

 No. 2 located in Unit N or, in the alternative, the drilling of its Harrison Well No. 4 to be located in Unit L, both in Section 25, Township 24 South, Range 36 East, Jalmat Gas Pool, Lea County, New Mexico, is necessary to effectively and efficiently drain that portion of the previously approved 160-acre non-standard proration unit which cannot be so drained by the existing unit well.
- CASE 6453: Application of Moranco for downhole commingling, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for the downhole commingling of Blinebry and Drinkard production in the wellbore of its EM Elliott Well No. 1 located in Unit E of Section 35, Township 21 South, Range 37 23st, Lea County, New Mexico.

Bettis, Boyle & Stovall Burleson & Huff Burleson & Huff Bur eson & Kuff Bettis, Boyle & Stovall Burleson & Burleson & Huff BEFORE EXAMINER NUTTER EAST QIL CONSERVATION DIVISION LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO EXHIBIT NO. 6451 CASE NO. CASE No. 6451

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Mr. Joe Ramey New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission P. O. Box 2088 Santa Fe, New Mexico 87501

Dear Mr. Ramey:

Burleson & Huff of Midland, Texas has notified us they propose to drill a well to test the Yates formation at a depth of 3100 feet at a location shown on the enclosed plat, being 330 feet from the east line and 1980 feet from the north line of Section 29, T-25-S, R-37-E, Lea County. This well's location is in violation of the rules because it is located 330 feet from the lease line. This location was moved to this spot because it is in the townsite of Jal, New Mexico and this moves it further away from adjacent structures. There is an old plugged well at the standard location.

This is to certify that Bettis, Boyle & Stovall, as an off-set operator, hereby waives their rights to object and has no objection to the proposed location in the event the Burleson & Huff Coll A # 2 is a gas well in the Yates formation.

Yours very truly,

BETTIS, BOYLE & STOVALL

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BEFORE EXAMINER MUTTER
OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION
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CASE NO. 445

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This is to certify that Atlantic Richfield Company, as an offset operator hereby waives their rights to object and has no objection to the proposed location in the event the Burleson & Huff Coll A # 2 is a gas well in the Yates formation.

Yours very truly,

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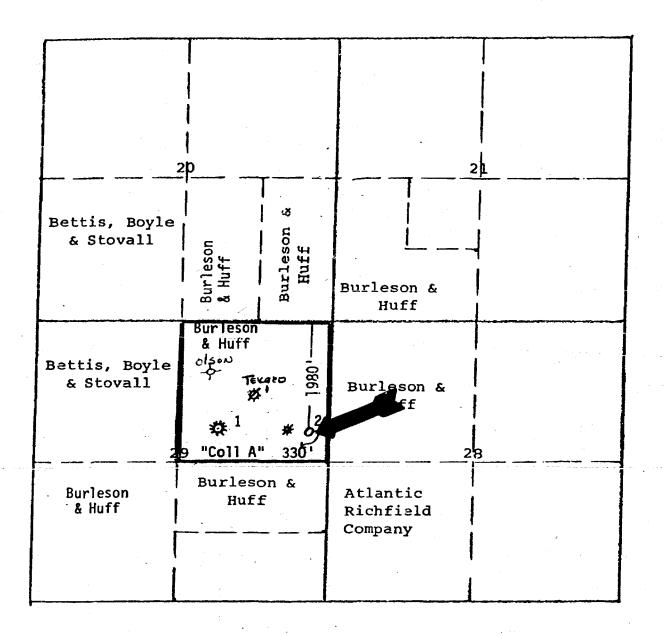
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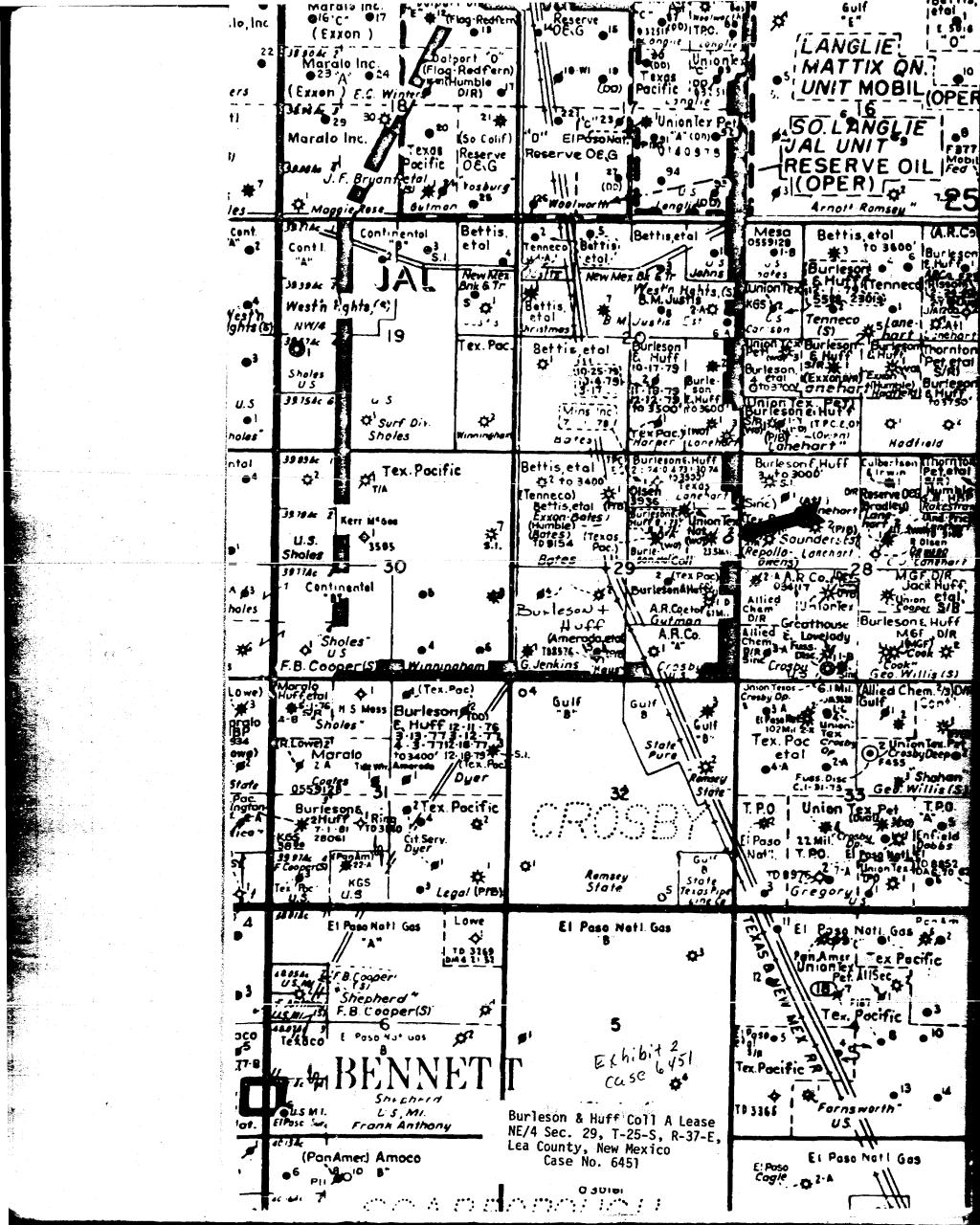


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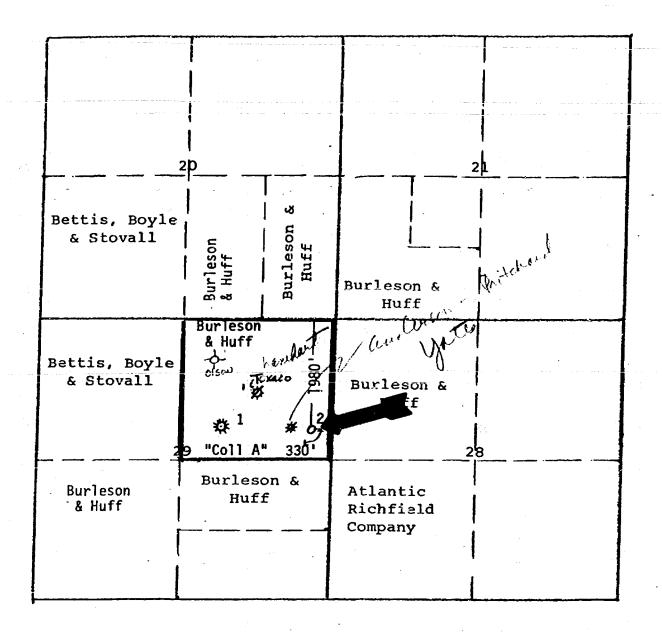
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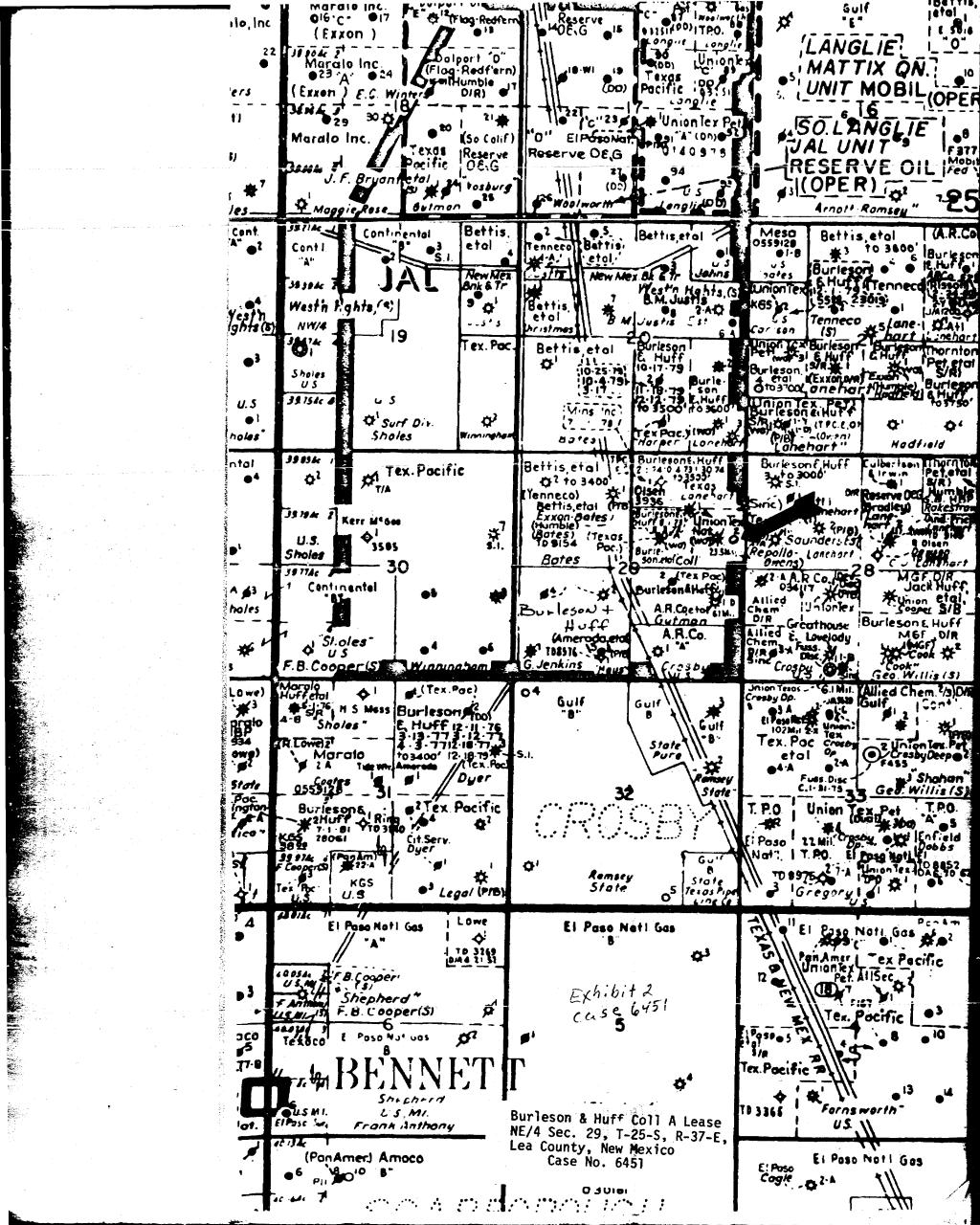
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January 22, 1979

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Re: Burleson & Huff Coll A #2 well

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W. Thomas Wellahin

CC: Lewis Burleson

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Enclosure

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WHEREFORE Applicant respectfully requests that this matter be set for hearing before the Division's duly appointed examiner and that after notice and hearing the application be approved.

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- 2. That the Coll A #1 well is located on an existing approved 160 acre non-standard gas proration unit consisting of the NE/4 of said section.
- 3. That said well is non-commercial in the Jalmat gas pool and Applicant desires approval to drill a replacement well, its Coll A #2 well, at an unorthodox well location 1980 feet from the North line and 330 feet from the East line of said Section 29 and to dedicate the same 160 acre non-standard gas provation unit to said well as was previously dedicated

to the Coll A #1 well.

- 4. Applicant further seeks a determination pursuant to the F.E.R.C. Rules, Part 271.305 that the subject well is necessary to effectively and efficiently drain a portion of the Jalmat Gas Pool reservoir covered by the proposed non-standard proration unit which cannot be effectively and efficiently drained by an existing well within the proration unit and will offer evidence in support of that determination.
- 5. That applicant proposes to recomplete the Coll A #1 well in the Queen formation or to plug and abandon said well in accordance with Division rules and regulations.
- 6. That granting of this application will result in the prevention of waste and the protection of correlative rights.

WHEREFORE Applicant respectfully requests that this matter be set for hearing before the Division's duly appointed examiner and that after notice and hearing the application be approved.

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BEFORE THE NEW MEXICO ENERGY AND MINERALS DEPARTMENT

OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

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IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION
OF BURLESON & HUFF FOR AN
UNORTHODOX WELL LOCATION; FOR NONSTANDARD
GAS PRORATION UNIT; AND FOR WELLHEAD
PRICE CEILING CATEGORY DETERMINATION,
LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

Case 6451

APPLICATION

Comes now BURLESON & HUFF, and apply to the Oil
Conservation Division of New Mexico for approval of an
unorthodox well location, nonstandard proration unit and
wellhead price ceiling category determination for its Coll
A #2 well located 1980 feet from the North line and 330 feet
from the East line of Section 29, T25S, R37E, Jalmat Gas
Pool, Lea County, New Mexico and in support thereof would
show:

- 1. Applicant is the operator of the Coll A #1 well located 1980 feet from the North and East lines of Section 29, T25S, R37E, Jalmat Gas Pool, Lea County, New Mexico.
- 2. That the Coll A #1 well is located on an existing approved 160 acre non-standard gas proration unit consisting of the NE/4 of said section.
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- 6. That granting of this application will result in the prevention of waste and the protection of correlative rights.

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STATE OF NEW MEXICO ENERGY AND MINERALS DEPARTMENT OIL COMSERVATION DIVISION

IN THE MATTER OF THE HEARING CALLED BY THE OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONSIDERING;

CASE NO.	6451		
Order No.	R-5969	÷	

APPLICATION OF BURLESON & HUFF FOR APPROVAL OF INFILL DRILLING AND AN UNORTHODOX WELL LOCATION, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

ORDER OF THE DIVISION

BY THE DIVISION:

This cause came on for hearing at 9 a.m. on February 14

19 79, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner Daniel S. Nutter.

NOW, on this day of April , 19 79 , the

Division Director, having considered the testimony, the record,

and the recommendations of the Examiner, and being fully advised

in the premises,

FINDS:

- (1) That due public notice having been given as required by law, the Division has jurisdiction of this cause and the subject matter thereof.
 - (2) That the applicant, Burleson & Huff, seeks a finding that the drilling of its proposed Coll A Well No. 2, at an unorthodox location 1980 feet from the North line and 330 feet from the East line of Section 29, Township 25 South, Range 37 East, NMPM, Jalmat Gas Pool, Lea County, New Mexico, to be

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dedicated to the existing proration unit comprising the NE/4 of said Section 29, is necessary to effectively and efficiently drain that portion of the proration unit which cannot be so drained by the existing unit well.

- (3) That the standard spacing unit for the Jalmat Gas Pool is 640 acres.
- (4) That the applicant further seeks a waiver of existing well spacing requirements for the Jalmat Gas Pool to permit the aforesaid well to be drilled at the proposed location.
- (5) That the existing Unit well, applicants Coll A Well No. 1, located in Unit G of Section 29, is a very poor producer and has been such since its completion in December, 1976.
- of recoverable gas underlying the NE/4 of Section 29, and these reserves cannot be economically recovered by the existing unit well, but that they might be recovered by applicants proposed well.
- (7) That approval of the infill drilling of applicants proposed Coll A Well No. 2 at the proposed unorthodox location is in the interest of conservation, will prevent waste, will not impair correlative rights, and should be approved.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

(1) That the applicant, Burleson & Huff, is hereby authorized an exception to the well spacing requirements to drill an infill well, its Coll A Well No. 2 at a point 1980 feet from the North line and 330 feet from the East line of Section 29, Township 25 South, Range 37 East, NMPM, Jalmat Gas Pool, Lea County, New Mexico, the NE/4 of said Section 29 to be dedicated to the well.

(2) That jurisdiction of this cause is retained for the entry of such further orders as the Division may deem necessary.

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