CASE 6616: WATSON TREATING PLANT FOR AN OIL TREATING PLANT PERMIT, ROOSEVELT COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

CASE NO.

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Mr. William F. Carr Campbell & Black Attorneys at Law Post Office Box 2208

Santa Fe, New Mexico

Re: CASE NO. 6616 ORDER NO. R-6095

Applicant:

Watson Treating Plant

Dear Sir:

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

Yours very truly,

JOE D. RAMEY

Director

JDR/fd

Copy of order also sent to:

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Dear Mr. Stamets:

The enclosed letter dated September 13, 1982 is to replace the letter I sent you on September 7, 1982 which was identical to the enclosed letter, with the exception that the Watson Treatment Plant may need to increase their treatment production from 6,000 barrels monthly to as much as 20,000 barrels monthly. In the previous letter I accidentally used the word annually instead of monthly.

I hope this correction does not cause any problems or inconvenience.

> Very truly yours, Thomas F. Bluehon

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We request that this notification be accepted and filed in the appropriate Oil Conservation Division records. If we may be of any assistance, please do not hesitate to let us know.

Very truly yours,

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cc: Mrs. Watson

BEFORE THE OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

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> Respectfully submitted, CAMPBELL AND BLACK, P.A.

Attorneys for Applicant Post Office Box 2208 Santa Fe, New Mexico 87501

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. 6616 Order No. R-6095

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ORDER OF THE DIVISION

BY THE DIVISION:

This cause came on for hearing at 9 a.m. on August 8, 1979, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner Richard L. Stamets.

NOW, on this 10th day of September, 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 thereof.
- (2) That the applicant, Watson Treating Plant, seeks authority to construct and operate a chemical and heat-treatment type oil treating plant in the SE/4 NW/4 of Section 34, Township South, Range 35 East, NMPM, Roosevelt County, New Mexico, for the reclamation of up to approximately 200 barrels of sediment oil per day to be obtained from tank bottoms, disposal water, and waste pits.
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- (4) That the proposed plant and method of processing will efficiently process, treat, and reclaim the aforementioned waste oil, thereby salvaging oil which would otherwise be wasted.

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(5) That the subject application should be approved as being in the best interests of conservation.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

(1) That the applicant, Watson Treating Plant, is hereby authorized to install and operate a chemical and heat-treatment type oil treating plant in the SE/4 NW/4 of Section 34, Township 8 South, Range 35 East, NMPM, Roosevelt County, New Mexico, for the purpose of treating and reclaiming sediment oil to be obtained from tank bottoms and waste pits;

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PROVIDED FURTHER, that prior to commencing operation of said plant, the applicant shall file with the Division a performance bond in the amount of \$10,000.00 conditioned upon substantial compliance with applicable statutes of the State of New Mexico and all rules, regulations and orders of the Oil Conservation Division.

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

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

STATE OF NEW MEXICO
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JOE D. RAMEY Director

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July 19, 1979



Joe D. Ramey, Director Oil Conservation Division New Mexico Department of Energy and Minerals Post Office Box 2088 Santa Fe, New Mexico 87501

Application of Watson Treating Plant for Treating Plant

Permit, Roosevelt County, New Mexico.

Dear Mr. Ramey:

Enclosed for filing in triplicate is the Application of Watson Treating Plant in the above-referenced matter. We would appreciate this case being included in the examiner hearing scheduled for August 8, 1979.

Very truly yours,

William F. Carr

WFC: ng Enclosure

Watson Treating Plant Post Office Box 75 Tatum, New Mexico 88267

(w/enclosure)

BEFORE THE OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY AND MINERALS STATE OF NEW MEXICO

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STATE OF NEW MEXICO ENERGY AND MINERALS DEPARTMENT Oil Conservation Division State Land Office Building Santa Fe, New Mexico 8 August 1979

EXAMINER HEARING

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A. Yes.

And will you keep all records and make all reports that are required by the Commission rules and regulations?

A. Yes.

Q Now, what measures do you plan to undertake for fire control?

A. We're figuring on using fire extinguishers or whatever the Oil Commission requires.

A How soon are you planning to commence operations?

A Oh, within the next sixty days.

Q In your opinion will granting this application allow the recovery of oil which would otherwise -- otherwise might not be recovered?

A. Right.

Q. Were Exhibits A and B prepared either by you or have you reviewed them and can testify as to their accuracy?

A Yes, they've been reviewed by me.

Q Okay.

MR. CARR: At this time, Mr. Examiner, we would offer into evidence Applicant's Exhibits A and B.

MR. STAMETS: These exhibits will be ad-

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mitted.

MR. CARR: I have nothing further on direct.

CROSS EXAMINATION

BY MR. STAMETS:

Okay, now I want to be clear here. Your pictures indicate that this burner is mounted on a truck.

Yes, but it can be used either way. burner is mounted on a truck, which they do go to the oil field and treat oil where the companies don't have facilities to treat it such as I'm trying to do.

Okay, now what are you going to do, drive this truck up to your burner location and circulate the oil in your tanks or are you going to take the burner off the truck and install in permanently here?

I will just buy a burner and install it permanently at the location where the tanks is at and haul it in with a vacuum truck and run it from the tanks through the burner and back into the tanks, and then it should be pipeline oil.

Okay. Now your firewall, I believe you said would be equal to the tank volume?

Yes, it would be -- the firewall will be

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Q Would be more than?

A Yeah, more than equal.

And it's typical in a situation like this, no matter how many times you run that oil through there you always have a certain amount of sediment oil that resists treatment. What do you plan to do with the -- this final untreated oil?

A. Well, I really hadn't run into that problem yet or I didn't on the other one, but I --

So you don't anticipate that you're going to have to have to dispose of any hydrocarbon waste from this system.

A. I'm not counting on it.

Q Okay, very good. Are you going to have any type of a surface pit at this location to contain any fluids?

A No, sir.

Q Okay. You indicated the waste water would go to the New Mexico Salt Water Disposal System.

A That's correct.

Q. Is that through injection wells or is that some surface disposal system?

A. It's injection wells.

MR. STAMETS: Are there any other questions

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of the witness?

MR. CARR: No other questions.

MR. STAMETS: He may be excused.

Anything further in this case?

MR. CARR: Nothing further.

MR. STAMETS: The case will be taken

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, from my notes taken at the time of the hearing.

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I do hereby certify that the foregoing is a complete record of the proceedings in the Examiner hearing of Case No. heard by me on Examiner

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A. We're figuring on using fire extinguishers or whatever the Oil Commission requires.

Q. How soon are you planning to commence operations?

A. Oh, within the next sixty days.

Q. In your opinion will granting this application allow the recovery of oil which would otherwise -- otherwise might not be recovered?

A. Right.

Q. Were Exhibits A and B prepared either by you or have you reviewed them and can testify as to their accuracy?

A. Yes, they've been reviewed by me.

Okay.

MR. CARR: At this time, Mr. Examiner, we would offer into evidence Applicant's Exhibits A and B.

MR. STAMETS: These exhibits will be ad-

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mitted.

MR. CARR: I have nothing further on direct.

CROSS EXAMINATION

BY MR. STAMETS:

Q Okay, now I want to be clear here.

Your pictures indicate that this burner is mounted on a truck.

A. Yes, but it can be used either way. That burner is mounted on a truck, which they do go to the oil field and treat oil where the companies don't have facilities to treat it such as I'm trying to do.

Okay, now what are you going to do, drive this truck up to your burner location and circulate the oil in your tanks or are you going to take the burner off the truck and install in permanently here?

A. I will just buy a burner and install it permanently at the location where the tanks is at and haul it in with a vacuum truck and run it from the tanks through the burner and back into the tanks, and then it should be pipeline oil.

Okay. Now your firewall, I believe you said would be equal to the tank volume?

A. Yes, it would be -- the firewall will be

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- Q. Would be more than?
- A. Yeah, more than equal.
- Q. And it's typical in a situation like this, no matter how many times you run that oil through there you always have a certain amount of sediment oil that resists treatment. What do you plan to do with the -- this final untreated oil?
- A. Well, I really hadn't run into that problem yet or I didn't on the other one, but I --
- Q. So you don't anticipate that you're going to have to have to dispose of any hydrocarbon waste from this system.
 - A. I'm not counting on it.
- Q. Okay, very good. Are you going to have any type of a surface pit at this location to contain any fluids?
 - A. No, sir.
- Q. Okay. You indicated the waste water would go to the New Mexico Salt Water Disposal System.
 - A. That's correct.
- Q. Is that through injection wells or is that some surface disposal system?
 - A. It's injection wells.

MR. STAMETS: Are there any other questions

of the witness?

MR. CARR: No other questions.

MR. STAMETS: He may be excused.

Anything further in this case?

Nothing further. MR. CARR:

The case will be taken MR. STAMETS:

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, from my notes taken at the time of the hearing.

Sally W. Boyd C.S.R.

I do hereby certify that the foregoing la a complete record of the proceedings in the Examiner hearing of Case No. 66/6.

, Examiner Oll Conservation Division

Dockets Nos. 32-79 and 33-79 are tentatively set for hearing on August 22 and September 5, 1979. Applications for hearing must be filed at least 22 days in advance of hearing date.

DOCKET: COMMISSION HEARING - TUESDAY - AUGUST 7, 1979

OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION - 9 A.M. - ROOM 205 STATE LAND OFFICE BUILDING, SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

CASE 6590: (Continued from July 25, 1979, Examiner Hearing)

Application of Grace Petroleum Corporation for compulsory pooling and an unorthodox gas well location, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests in the Morrow formation underlying Lots 9, 10, 15, and 16 and the SE/4 of Section 6, Township 21 South, Range 32 East, to be dedicated to a well to be drilled at an unorthodox location 4650 feet from the South line and 660 feet from the East line of said Section 6. Also to be considered will be the cost of drilling and completing said well and the allocation of the costs 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 6612: Application of Gulf Oil Corporation for compulsory pooling and an unorthodox gas well location, Lea County, New Nexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests in the Morrow formation underlying Lots 9 thru 16 of Section 6, Township 21 South, Range . 32 East, to be dedicated to a well to be drilled at an unorthodox location 4650 feet from the South line and 660 feet from the East line of said Section 6. Also to be considered will be the cost of drilling and completing said well and the allocation of the costs 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 6555: (DE NOVO)

Application of Jake L. Hamon for an unorthodox gas well location, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for an unorthodox location 660 feet from the North line and 560 feet from the East line of Section 30, Township 20 South, Range 36 East, North Osudo-Morrow Gas Pool, all of said Section 30 to be dedicated to the well.

Upon application of Texas Oil & Gas Corp. this case will be heard De Novo pursuant to the provisions of Rule 1220.

CASE 6596: (Continued from July 24, 1979, Commission Hearing)

Application of Harvey E. Yates Company for pool creation and special pool rules, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks the creation of a new Upper Pennsylvanian gas pool to be designated as the Southeast Indian Basin-Upper Pennsylvanian Gas Pool for its Southeast Indian Basin Well No. 1 located in Unit A of Section 23, Township 22 South, Range 23 East, and special pool rules therefor including 320-acre gas well spacing.

CASE 6597: (Continued from July 24, 1979, Commission Hearing)

Application of Harvey E. Yates Company for an unorthodox gas well location, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for the unorthodox location of its Southeast Indian Basin Well No. 2, an Upper Pennsylvanian well to be drilled 660 feet from the North and West lines of Section 24, Township 22 South, Range 23 East, with the N/2 or all of said Section 24 to be dedicated to the well, depending on the outcome of Case No. 6596.

DOCKET: EXAMINER HEARING - WEDNESDAY - AUGUST 8, 1979

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

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

- CASE 6613: Application of Grace Petroleum Corporation for a unit agreement, Lea County, New Mexico.

 Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for the Smith Ranch Unit Area, comprising 1,600 acres, more or less, of State and federal lands in Township 20 South, Range 33 East.
- CASE 6602: (Continued from July 25, 1979, Examiner Hearing)

Application of Tenneco 011 Company for an unorthdox well location, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for the unorthodox location of its Federal 33 C No. 2 Well 1010 feet from the North line and 1710 feet from the West line of Section 33, Township 17 South, Range 29 East, South Empire-Wolfcamp Pool, the E/2 NW/4 of said Section 33 to be dedicated to the well.

CASE 6611: (Continued from July 25, 1979, Examiner Hearing)

- Application of Cabot Corp. for salt water disposal, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for the disposal of produced salt water in the Devonian formation through the perforated interval from 12,156 feet to 12,574 feet in its Reed Well No. 1 located in Unit II of Section 35, Township 13 South, Range 37 East, King Field.
- CASE 6614: Application of Texaco Inc. for the amendment of Order No. R-4442, Lea County, New Mexico.

 Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks the amendment of Order No. R-4442 to remove the top unit allowable restriction from producing wells in the Vacuum Grayburg San Andres Unit which are offset by "lease line" injection wells.
- CASE 6615: Application of Southland Royalty Company for downhole commingling, San Juan County, New Mexico.

 Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for the downhole commingling of Kutz-Gallup and Basin-Dakota production in the wellbore of its Frontier "E" Well No. 1 located in Unit O of Section 4, Township 27 North, Range 11 West.
- CASE 6616: Application of Watson Treating Plant for an oil treating plant permit, Roosevelt County, New Mexico.

 Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks authority for the construction and operation of an oil treating plant for the purpose of treating and reclaiming sediment oil at a site in the SE/4 NW/4 of Section 34, Township 8 South, Range 35 East.
- CASE 6617: Application of El Paso Natural Gas Company for downhole commingling, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico.

 Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for the downhole commingling of Basin-Dakota and Otero-Gallup production in the wellbore of its Jicarilla 67 Well No. 10 located in Unit M of Section 30, Township 25 North, Range 5 West.
- CASE 6618: Application of Harvey E. Yates Company for pool creation and special pool rules, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks the creation of a new Yates gas pool for its DEPCO Federal Well No. 1 located in Unit D of Section 19, Township 16 South, Range 29 East, and special rules therefor, including 80-acre gas well spacing.
- CASE 6619: Application of Harvey E. Yates Company for an unorthodox well location and a non-standard proration unit, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval of a 62.75-acre non-standard Yates gas proration unit comprising Lots 1 and 2 of Section 19, Township 18 South, Range 29 East, to be dedicated to its DEPCO Federal Well No. 1 drilled 330 feet from the North line and 660 feet from the West line of said Section 19.
- CASE 6620: Application of Harvey E. Yates Company for an NGPA determination, Lon County, New Mexico.

 Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks a new onshore reservoir determination for its Austin Monteith Well No. 1 located in Unit K of Section 8, Tawnship 14 South, Range 36 East.
- CASE 6621: Application of Harvey E. Yates Company for compulsory pooling, Eddy County, New Mexico.

 Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests in the WolfcumpPenn formations underlying the S/2 of Section 4, Township 18 South, Range 29 East, 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. (This case will be
 dismissed.)

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Docket No. 30-79

CASE 6601: (Continued from July 25, 1979, Examiner Hearing)

Application of Harvey E. Yates Company for compulsory pooling, Lea County, New Mexico.

Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests in the Wolfcamp through Mississippian formations underlying the E/2 of Section 8, Township 14 South, Range 36 East, 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 6622: Application of Adams Exploration Company for compulsory pooling, Eddy County, New Mexico.

 Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests in the WolfcampPenn formations underlying the N/2 of Section 15, Township 24 South, Range 28 East, 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 6623: Application of Penroc Oil Corporation for approval of infill drilling and simultaneous dedication, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks a waiver of existing well spacing requirements and a finding that the recompletion in the Morrow formation of its Dero "A" Federal Well No. 1 located in Unit N of Section 35, Township 19 South, Range 28 East, is necessary to effectively and efficiently drain that portion of the proration unit which cannot be so drained by the existing well.
- CASE 6624: Application of Belco Petroleum Corporation for approval of infill drilling, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks a waiver of existing well spacing requirements and a finding that the drilling of a well to be located in Unit K of Section 31, Township 9 South, Range 33 East, Flying "M"-San Andres Pool, is necessary to effectively and efficiently drain that portion of the proration unit which cannot be so drained by the existing well.
- CASE 6625: Application of Mewbourne 011 Company for an unorthodox gas well location, Eddy County, New Mexico.

 Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for the unorthodox location of a Morrow test well to be located 660 feet from the North line and 1315 feet from the East line of Section 30,

 Township 20 South, Range 27 East, the E/2 of said Section 30 to be dedicated to the well.
- CASE 6603: (Continued from July 25, 1979, Examiner Hearing)

Application of Conoco Inc. for downhole commingling, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for the downhole commingling of Penrose Skelly and Eumont production in the wellbore of its Hawk B-1 Well No. 12 located in Unit 0 of Section 8, Township 21 South, Range 37 East.

CASE 6587: (Continued and Readvertised)

Application of Caribou Four Corners, Inc., for an unorthodox well location, San Juan County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for the unorthodox location of its Kirtland Well No. 4 located 1450 feet from the North line and 595 feet from the West line of Section 18, Township 29 North, Range 14 West.

Docket No. 31-79

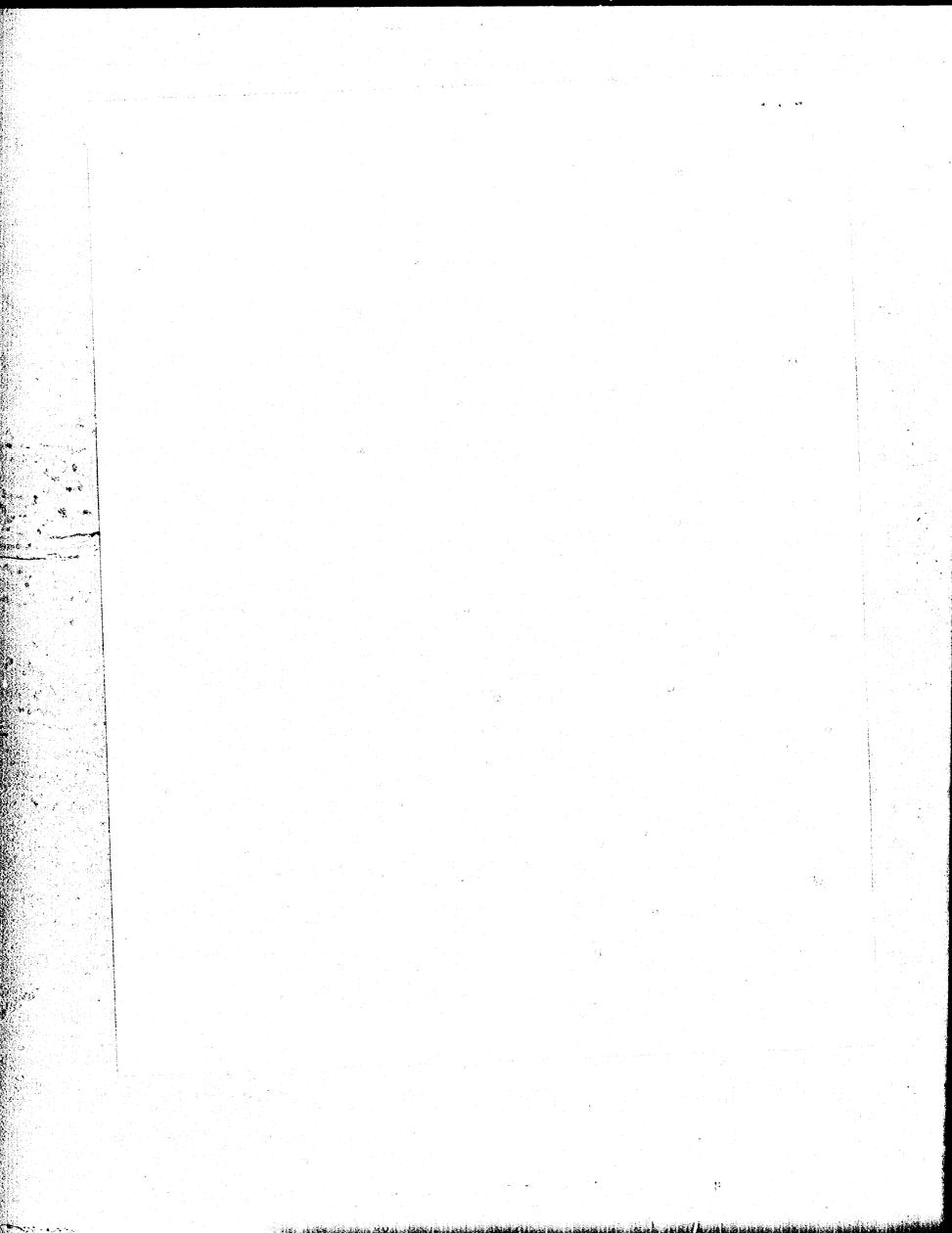
DOCKET: EXAMINER HEARING - WEDNESDAY - AUGUST 15, 1979

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

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

- ALLOWABLE: (1) Consideration of the allowable production of gas for September, 1979, from fifteen prorated pools in Lea, Eddy, and Chaves Counties, New Mexico.
 - (2) Consideration of the allowable production of gas for September, 1979, from four prorated pools in San Juan, Rio Arriba, and Sandoval Counties, New Mexico.

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August 3, 1979



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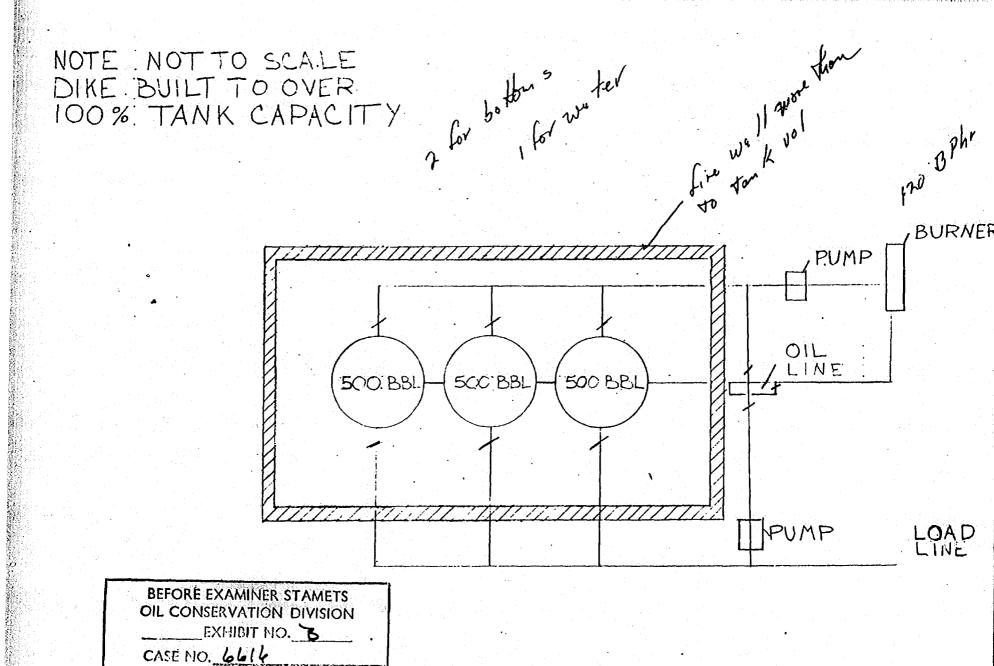
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BEFORE EXAMINER STAMETS
OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION
EXHIBIT NO. A
CASE NO. 6616
Submitted by Applicant
Hearing Date Aug. 8, 1979



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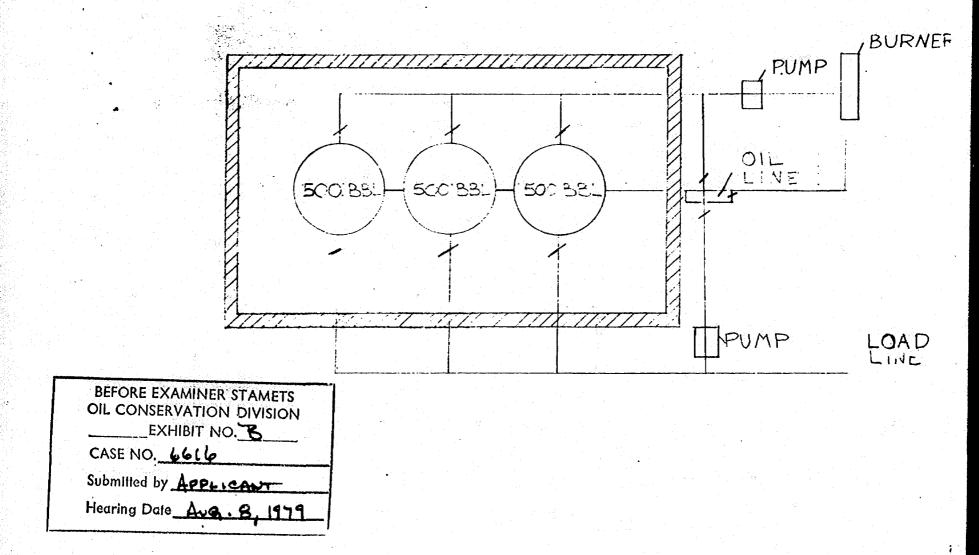
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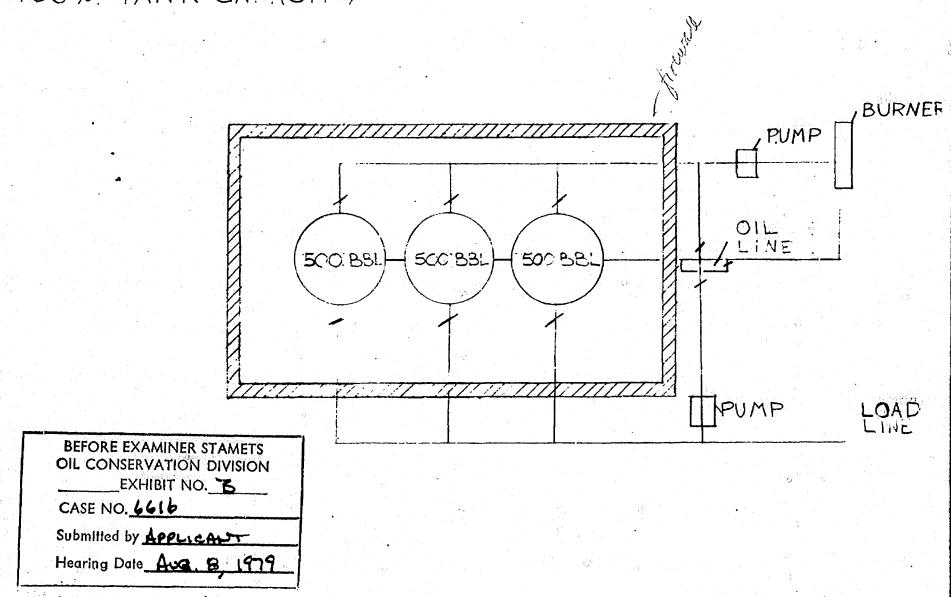
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STATE OF NEW MEXICO ENERGY AND MINERALS DEPARTMENT OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

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

CASE NO.	6616	 	
Order No.	R-6095		

APPLICATION OF WATSON TREATING PLANT FOR AN OIL TREATING PLANT PERMIT, ROOSEVELT COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

DOR.

ORDER OF THE DIVISION

BY THE DIVISION:

This cause came on for hearing at 9 a.m. on August 8

19 79 , at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner Richard L. Stamets

NOW, on this day of August , 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, Watson Treating Plant, seeks authority to construct and operate a chemical and heat-treatment type oil treating plant in the SE/4 NW/4 of Section 34, Township 8 South, Range 35 East, NMPM, Roosevelt County, New Mexico, for the reclamation of up to approximately 200 barrels of sediment oil

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per day to be obtained from tank bottoms, disposal water, and waste pits.

- (3) That dikes, dams and/or emergency pits should be constructed around the plant capable of holding the entire capacity of all tanks and vessels at the plant location in order that sediment oil, reclaimed oil, or waste oil cannot escape from the immediate vicinity of such plant.
- (4) That the two water holding and settling pits proposed by applicant should be constructed in accordance with the Division's "Specifications For the Design and Construction of Lined Evaporation Pits" with the exception of Section 2/A) concerning minimum surface area.
- (4) That the proposed plant and method of processing will efficiently process, treat, and reclaim the aforementioned waste oil, thereby salvaging oil which would otherwise be wasted.
- (b) That the subject application should be approved as being in the best interests of conservation.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

(1) That the applicant, Watson Treating Plant, is hereby authorized to install and operate a chemical and heat-treatment type oil treating plant in the SE/4 NW/4 of Section 34, Township 8 South, Range 35 East, NMPM, Roosevelt County, New Mexico, for the purpose of treating and reclaiming sediment oil to be obtained from tank bottoms and waste pits;

PROVIDED HOWEVER, that the continuation of the authorization granted by this order shall be conditioned upon compliance with the laws of the State of New Mexico and the rules and regulations of the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division;

PROVIDED FURTHER, that prior to commencing operation of said plant, the applicant shall file with the Division a

performance bond in the amount of \$10,000.00 conditioned upon substantial compliance with applicable statutes of the State of New Mexico and all rules, regulations and orders of the Oil Conservation Division.

- (2) That the operator of the above-described oil treating plant shall clear and maintain in a condition clear of all debris and vegetation a fireline at least 15 feet in width and encircling the site upon which the plant is located.
- (3) That dikes, dams and/or emergency pits shall be constructed around the plant capable of holding the entire capacity of all tanks and vessels at the plant location and capable of preventing the escape of any sediment oil, reclaimed oil, or waste oil from the immediate vicinity of said plant.
- (4) That the two water holding and settling pits proposed by the applicant for the subject installation shall be constructed in accordance with the Division's "Specifications for The Design and Construction of Lined Evaporation Pits," except that Section 2(A) of said specifications shall not be applicable.
- (h) That the disposal of waste water accumulated in conjunction with the operation of the above-described plant on the surface of the ground, or in any pit, pond, lake, depression, draw, streambed, or arroyo, or in any watercourse, or in any other place or in any manner which will constitute a hazard to any fresh water supplies is hereby prohibited.
- 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.

Memo

From

FLORENE DAVIDSON ADMINISTRATIVE SECRETARY

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Called In July 18, 1979

by Bill Carr

Application of Watson Treating

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