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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. 3082
Order No. R-2767

APPLICATION OF UNION OIL COMPANY
OF CALIFORNIA FOR SALT WATER DIS-
POSAL, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

BY THE COMMISSION:

This cause came on for hearing at 9 o'clock a.m. on August 26, 1964, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner Elvis A. Utz.

NOW, on this 8th day of September, 1964, the Commission, a quorum being present, 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 Commission has jurisdiction of this cause and the subject matter thereof.

(2) That the applicant, Union Oil Company of California, is the owner and operator of the State-Gross Well No. 2, located in Unit G of Section 2, Township 12 South, Range 32 East, NMPM, East Caprock Field, Lea County, New Mexico.

(3) That the applicant proposes to utilize said State-Gross Well No. 2 to dispose of produced salt water into the Devonian formation, with injection interval from 11,246 to 11,285 feet.

(4) That the injection should be accomplished through 3-inch internally plastic-coated tubing installed in a packer set at approximately 11,200 feet.

(5) That the applicant stipulated at the hearing that disposal in the subject well would not commence until Shell Oil

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Company's State ECA Wells Nos. 1 and 2, located in Units J and I, respectively, of Section 2 have reached their economic limit.

(6) That approval of the subject application will prevent the drilling of unnecessary wells and otherwise prevent waste and protect correlative rights.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

(1) That the applicant, Union Oil Company of California, is hereby authorized to dispose of produced salt water into the Devonian formation through its State-Gross Well No. 2, located in Unit G of Section 2, Township 12 South, Range 32 East, NMPM, East Caprock Field, Lea County, New Mexico, injection to be accomplished through 3-inch internally plastic-coated tubing installed in a packer set at approximately 11,200 feet, with injection interval from 11,246 to 11,285 feet.

(2) That injection shall not commence until Shell Oil Company has notified the applicant that its State ECA Wells Nos. 1 and 2, located in Units J and I, respectively, of Section 2, Township 12 South, Range 32 East, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico, have reached their economic limit, and a copy of such letter of notification has been filed with the Commission.

(3) That the applicant shall submit monthly reports of its disposal operations in accordance with Rules 704 and 1119 of the Commission Rules and Regulations.

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

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

STATE OF NEW MEXICO
OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION


JACK M. CAMPBELL, Chairman


E. S. WALKER, Member


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

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