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NORTHERN NATURAL GAS PRODUCING COMPANY

2223 DODGE STREET

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OMAHA 1, NEBRASKA

ADDRESS REPLY TO  
NORTHERN NATURAL GAS PRODUCING COMPANY  
400 UNION BUILDING  
OR  
P. O. Box 1786  
MIDLAND, TEXAS

November 9, 1956

TO: A. L. Porter  
New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission  
Santa Fe, New Mexico

SUBJECT: Unorthodox drilling location based on topographical conditions.

Dear Sir:

The Northern Natural Gas Producing Company requests permission to drill an 11,500 foot Devonian test on an irregular location due to topographical conditions. With the commission's approval this test will be located 981.6 feet from the north line, and 1550.8 feet from the west line of Sec. 23, T22S, R24E, Eddy County, New Mexico, approximately 12 miles west of the City of Carlsbad on McKittrick Hill.

McKittrick Hill is a long, narrow, rough, steep sided ridge, (please refer to the attached U.S.G.S. topographic map.) The only place a big rig can be located in this general vicinity is on the old Standard of Texas # 1 Smith location, which was drilled in 1944. Our location is 50 feet west of this old hole.

The attached land plat shows nearby lease ownership to this location. The closest offset operator is Pure Oil Co., whose lease is approximately 1,800 feet from this location.

I have discussed this matter with Mr. M. L. Armstrong in your Artesia office and he informs me that he is familiar with the topography in the area. I will be available at any time to take a representative from your office to this location to verify the need for an unorthodox location.

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no well  
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I am enclosing a location plat by Mr. John West, Land Surveyor, of Hobbs, New Mexico, also a U.S.G.S. topographic map, the "West Carlsbad Quadrangle" showing the ruggedness of this area and a land plat showing nearby lease ownership. If there are any other maps or plats I can furnish you, please advise.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "E. P. Kerr".

E. P. Kerr

EPK:ap  
Enc.

NEW MEXICO  
OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Form C-128

Well Location and/or Gas Proration Plat

Date 10-13-56

Operator Northern Natural Gas Producing Co lease McKittrick Hill

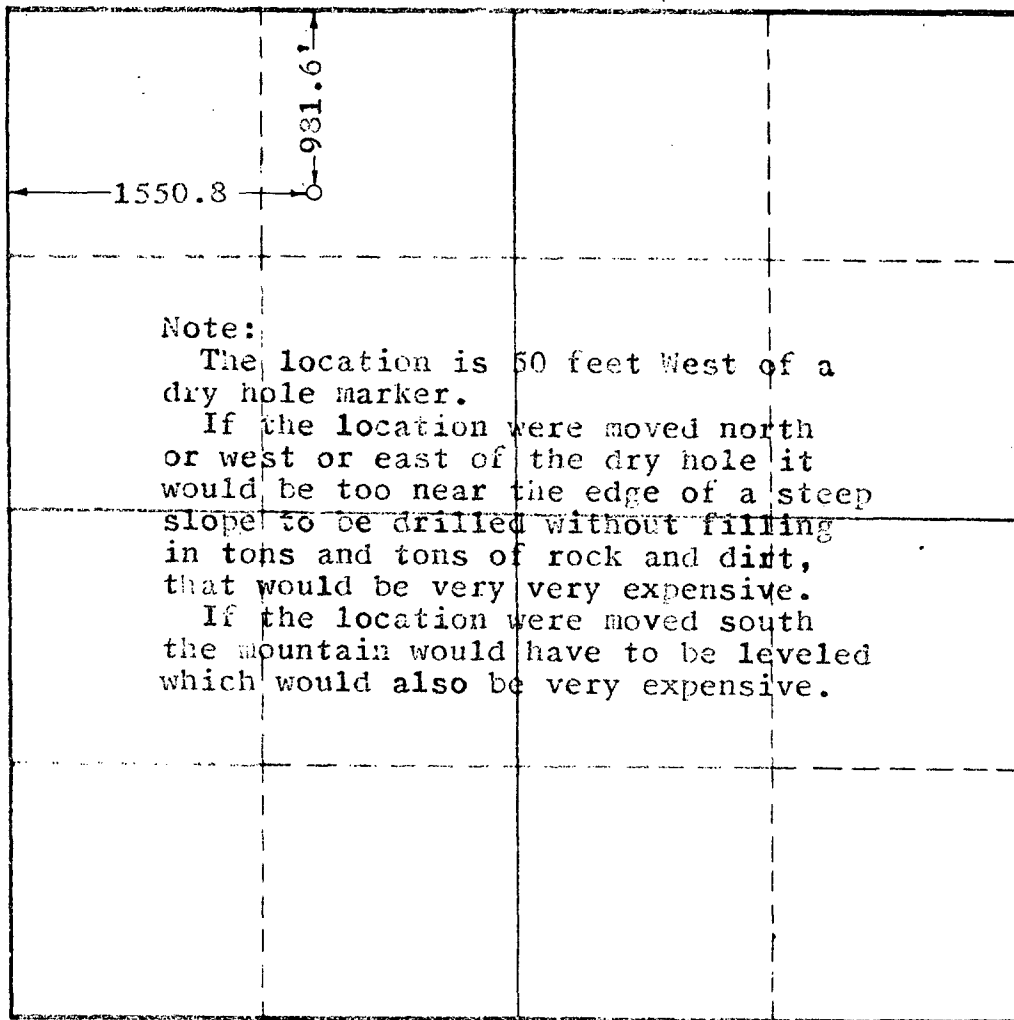
Well No. 1 Section 23 Township 22 South Range 24 East NMPM

Located 981.6 Feet From North Line, 1550.8 Feet From West Line,

Eddy County, New Mexico. G. L. Elevation \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Producing Formation \_\_\_\_\_ Pool \_\_\_\_\_ Dedicated Acreage \_\_\_\_\_

(Note: All distances must be from outer boundaries of Section)



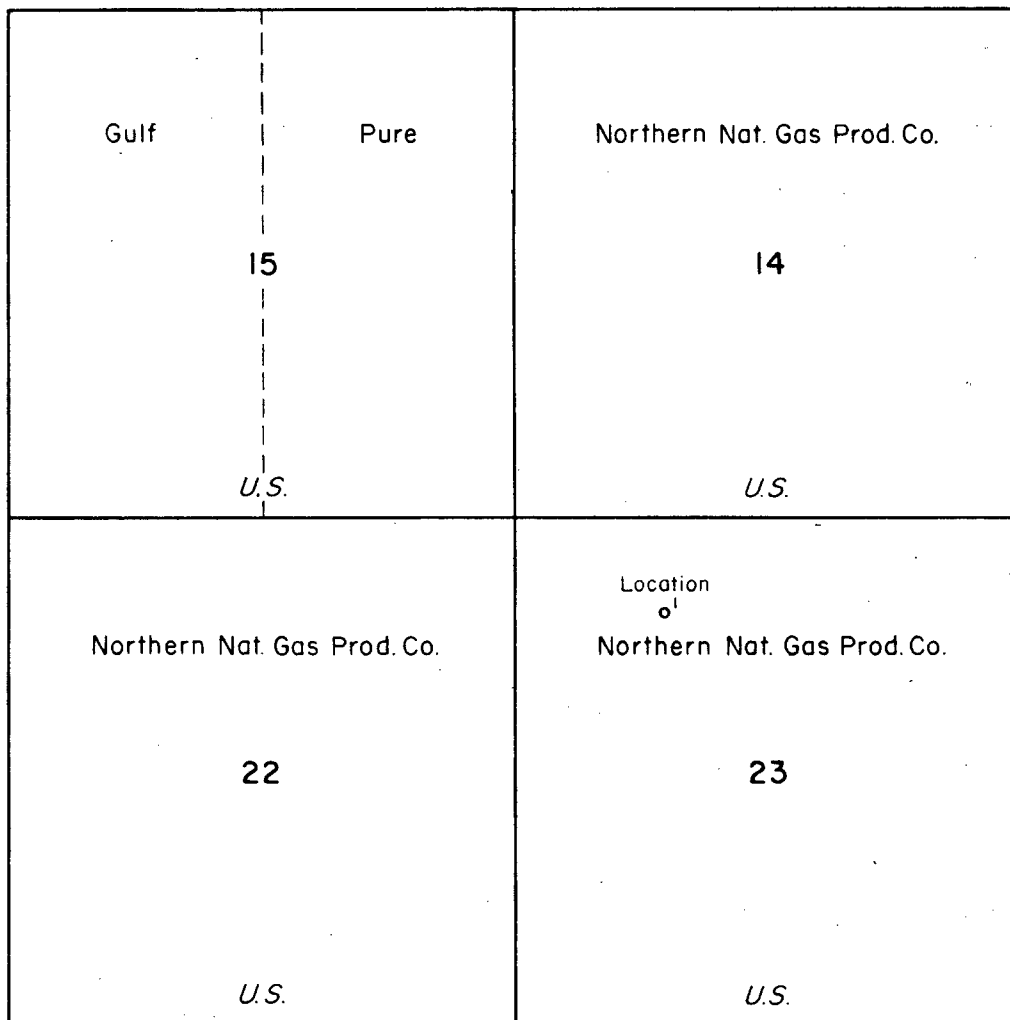
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1. Is this Well a Dual Comp. ? Yes      No
2. If the answer to Question 1 is yes, are there any other dually completed wells within the dedicated acreage? Yes      No

This is to certify that the above plat was prepared from field notes of actual surveys made by me or under my supervision and that the same are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Position \_\_\_\_\_  
Representing \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_

Date Surveyed 10-12-56  
John W West  
Registered Professional Engineer and/or Land Surveyor



PLAT SHOWING  
NEARBY LEASE OWNERSHIP TO  
NORTHERN NATURAL GAS PRODUCING CO.  
LOCATION IN SEC. 23, T-22-S, R-24-E  
EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

SCALE: 1" = 2000'

NORTHERN NATURAL GAS PRODUCING CO.  
Union Bldg. Midland, Texas