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October 2, 1957

Oil Conservation Commission State of New Mexico Santa Fe, New Mexico

Gentlemen:

Forwarded herewith is the application, in triplicate, of Southern Union Gas Company for the approval of an unorthodox well location in the Southwest Quarter, Section 14, Township 26 North, Range 8 West, San Juan County, New Mexico.

As set out in the application, Southern Union Gas Company holds offsetting quarter-sections on four sides of the quarter-section made the subject of this application and therefore no notice has been served on offsetting operators.

Very truly yours,

Milliam 5. Jameson

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MAIN OFFICE OCC 1957 OCT 4 AN OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION OF

THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO

IN THE MATTER OF APPLICATION OF SOUTHERN UNION GAS COMPANY FOR APPROVAL OF AN UNORTHODOX GAS WELL LOCATION IN THE SW/4, SECTION 14, TOWNSHIP 26 NORTH, RANGE 8 WEST, N.M.P.M., SAN JUAN COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

CASE NO.

APPLICATION

The undersigned Applicant, Southern Union Gas Company, respectfully petitions the Commission for the issuance of an order granting an exception to the requirements of Rule 3, Order No. R-846, of the Commission's Rules and Regulations, affecting the Ballard-Pictured Cliffs Gas Pool in San Juan County, New Mexico, approving an unorthodox well location for the Southern Union Gas Company-Nickson No. 4 Well in the Southwest Quarter, Section 14, Township 26 North, Range 8 West, N.M.P.M., located 1,890 feet East of the West line and 490 feet North of the South line of Section 14 as depicted on the plat attached hereto as Exhibit A.

In support of this application, Applicant alleges and states:

1. That Applicant is a corporation organized under the laws of the State of Delaware and is qualified to transact business in the State of New Mexico. Its principal place of business is located at Dallas, Texas, where it maintains its principal business office in the Burt Building, Dallas 1, Texas.

2. That due to the topographical conditions in the Southwest Quarter, Section 14, Township 26 North, Range 8 West, the location and drilling of a well to the Pictured Cliffs Formation at an orthodox location as specified in Rule 3, Order No. R-846, of the Commission's Rules and Regulations affecting the Ballard-Pictured Cliffs Gas Pool would, in the opinion of Applicant, require the expenditure by the Applicant of a sum of money far in excess of that required for the drilling of a well at the location herein applied for and one which would be out of proportion to the value of any well completed at such orthodox location.

3. That Applicant is the present owner and holder of United States Oil and Gas Leases Serial No. 078430, dated September 1, 1949, and Serial No. 078431, dated September 1, 1949, which leases cover, among other lands, all offsetting quarter-sections to the location made the subject of this application. For this reason no other operators have been furnished notice of this application.

4. That in the event a hearing be required on this application, Applicant consents to a hearing before an examiner designated by the Commission.

WHEREFORE, Applicant respectfully requests that the Commission make and enter its order approving the unorthodox well location as requested by Applicant in this application.

> Respectfully submitted, SOUTHERN UNION GAS COMPANY

By William 5. Juneral

STATE OF TEXAS (ss. COUNTY OF DALLAS

Subscribed and sworn to before me by William S. Jameson, Attorney of Southern Union Gas Company, the above named Applicant, this 30th day of September, 1957.

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Dallas County, Texas

My Commission Expires:

June 1, 1959

Exhibit A

COMPANY Southern Union Gas Company

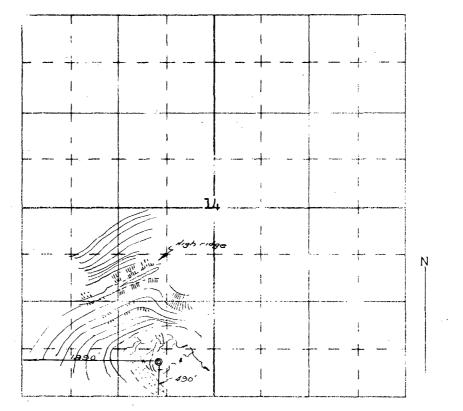
Well Name & No. _____ Lease No. S. F. 078431_____

Location 490' from the South line and 1890' from the West line.

Being in $SE_{t_{x}}^{1}SW_{t_{x}}^{1}$

Sec. 14, T26 N., R. 8 W., N.M.P.M., San Juan County, New Mexico.

Ground Elevation



Scale - 4 inches equals 1 mile

Surveyed May 27

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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.

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Ernest V. Echohawk Registered Land Surveyor N. M. Reg. #1545

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