

Correspondence

Case No. 14

May - June 1939

STANOLIND OIL AND GAS COMPANY
HOUSTON, TEXAS

June 27, 1939

Honorable John E. Miles, Governor,
Chairman, New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission,
Santa Fe, New Mexico.

Dear Sir:

For your information and for the files
of the Oil Conservation Commission, I am enclosing
copy of minutes of special meeting of the Lea County
Operators Committee held at Santa Fe, New Mexico,
June 23, 1939.

Yours very truly,

ORIGINAL SIGNED BY
A. M. McCORKLE

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Enclosure.

cc - Honorable Frank Worlan, Secretary
New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission
Santa Fe, New Mexico.

Honorable A. Andreas, Commissioner,
New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission
Santa Fe, New Mexico.

Honorable Carl B. Livingston, ✓
Santa Fe, New Mexico.

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LEA COUNTY OPERATORS COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF
LEA COUNTY OPERATORS COMMITTEE
HELD AT
SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO
JUNE 23, 1939

A special meeting of the Lea County Operators Committee was convened by A. M. McCorkle, Chairman, in the City Council Building at Santa Fe, New Mexico, 11:30 a.m. June 23, 1939.

The following persons were present:

Honorable John E. Miles	Governor - State of New Mexico
Honorable Jas. M. Murray	Lieutenant Governor
Honorable Frank Worden	State Land Commissioner and Conservation Commissioner
Honorable A. Andreas	State Geologist and Conserva- tion Commissioner
Honorable Carl B. Livingston	Attorney for Oil Conservation Commission
Ernest G. Arnold	U.S.G.S. - Roswell, New Mexico

R. S. Christie	Anasada Pet. Corp.	Ft. Worth, Tex.
Weston Payne	Anderson-Brichard Oil Corp.	Oklahoma City, Okla
Frank Gray	"	Hobbs, New Mexico
Edgar Kraus	Atlantic Refining Co.	Carlsbad, New Mexico
M. M. Fleetwood, Jr.	Barnsdall Oil Co.	Tulsa, Oklahoma
J. B. Noland	Barnsdall Oil Co.	Tulsa, Oklahoma
Ralph D. Curtis	Barnsdall Oil Co.	Tulsa, Oklahoma
A. P. Loskanys	Barnsdall Oil Co.	Midland, Texas
W. C. Byrd	Kerr-Grant, Inc.	Dallas, Texas
D. D. Bodie	Cities Service Oil Co.	Hobbs, New Mexico
D. A. Howard	Cities Service Oil Co.	Bartlesville, Okla.
D. R. Guinn	Cities Service Oil Co.	Hobbs, New Mexico
A. B. Gibson	Cities Service Oil Co.	Hobbs, New Mexico
R. M. Ely	Cities Service Oil Co.	Hobbs, New Mexico
J. D. Atwood	Cities Service Oil Co.	Roswell, New Mexico
R. Van A. Mills	Continental Oil Company	Ponca City, Okla
H. B. Hurley	Continental Oil Co.	Fort Worth, Texas
H. E. Johnston	Continental Oil Company	Hobbs, New Mexico
J. R. Malott	Continental Oil Company	Hobbs, New Mexico
H. S. Blynn	Gulf Oil Corporation	Hobbs, New Mexico
Jim Van Tuhl	Gulf Oil Corporation	Hobbs, New Mexico
R. C. Lowe	Gulf Oil Corporation	Tulsa, Oklahoma
S. B. Sanderson	Gulf Oil Corporation	Tulsa, Oklahoma
R. B. Knappen	Gulf Oil Corporation	Tulsa, Oklahoma
E. L. Gray	Gulf Oil Corporation	Tulsa, Oklahoma
H. B. Dewey	Humble Oil & Refg. Co.	Midland, Texas
J. W. House	Humble Oil & Refg. Co.	Midland, Texas
J. J. Griffith	Humble Oil & Refg. Co.	Hoswell, New Mexico
W. E. Hubbard	Humble Oil & Refg. Co.	Denton, Texas
Clarence Staley	Lea County Operators Com.	Hobbs, New Mexico
Henry Leonard	Lea County Oil Company	Hobbs, New Mexico
T. A. Sudderth	Lea County Oil Company	Hobbs, New Mexico
B. A. Sowers	Lea County Oil Company	Hobbs, New Mexico
Clarence Diah	Lea County Oil Company	Hobbs, New Mexico
R. A. Kewig	Lea County Oil Company	Hobbs, New Mexico
W. L. Cunningham	Lea County Oil Company	Hobbs, New Mexico
D. R. Knowlton	Lea County Oil Company	Hobbs, New Mexico
G. W. Daniels	Lea County Oil Company	Hobbs, New Mexico
E. A. Harrison	Lea County Oil Company	Hobbs, New Mexico

Paul A. McDermitt	Repollo Oil Co.	Fort Worth, Texas
Z. G. Summy	Repollo Oil Co.	Midland, Texas
Jack E. Rankin	Repollo Oil Co.	Midland, Texas
W. B. Larsh	Repollo Oil Co.	Midland, Texas
F. W. Brigance	Rowan & Nichols	Fort Worth, Texas
J. P. Cusack	Samedan Oil Corp.	Ardmore, Oklahoma
E. J. Kemler	Shell Oil Co.	Midland, Texas.
E. D. Crites	Shell Oil Co.	Houston, Texas.
M. Albertson	Shell Oil Co.	Houston, Texas.
E. G. Schuehle	Shell Oil Co.	Hobbs, New Mexico.
W. T. Smith	Shell Oil Co.	Midland, Texas.
Harvey E. Yates	Shoup & Yates	Artesia, New Mexico
J. S. Freeman	Skelly Oil Co.	Tulsa, Oklahoma
George W. Selinger	Skelly Oil Co. (& Gatty)	Tulsa, Oklahoma
Colin C. Rae	Skelly Oil Co. (& Gatty)	Tulsa, Oklahoma
James Fitzgerald, Jr.	Skelly Oil Co.	Midland, Texas
J. W. Dunlavey	Skelly Oil Co.	Hobbs, New Mexico
Harvey Hardison	Standard Oil of Texas	Houston, Texas
A. M. McCorkle	Stanolind Oil and Gas Co.	Fort Worth, Texas
G. K. Card	Stanolind Oil and Gas Co.	Fort Worth, Texas
R. W. Tesch	Stanolind Oil and Gas Co.	Fort Worth, Texas
G. S. Bays	Stanolind Oil and Gas Co.	Tulsa, Oklahoma
R. E. Rader	Stanolind Oil and Gas Co.	Hobbs, New Mexico
J. H. Moyer	Stanolind Oil and Gas Co.	Fort Worth, Texas
J. O. Seth	Stanolind Oil and Gas Co.	Santa Fe, New Mexico
F. E. Heath	Sun Oil Company	Dallas, Texas
D. Y. Shiplet	The Texas Company	Midland, Texas
A. E. Willig	The Texas Company	Fort Worth, Texas
H. S. Cole, Jr.	The Texas Company	Fort Worth, Texas
E. W. Childers	Tide Water Associated Oil	Midland, Texas
Howard P. Holmes	Two States Oil Co.	Dallas, Texas.

On motion made by Harvey Hardison and seconded by F. E. Heath, the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

WHEREAS, a number of oil operators in the Hobbs Field, Lea County, New Mexico, in 1930 formed an organization known as the "Hobbs Proration Committee" for the purposes of administering the proration agreement in the Hobbs Field; and

WHEREAS, the sum of Four Thousand and No/100ths (\$4000.00) Dollars was collected by the Hobbs Proration Committee in the year 1930 for the purposes of financing its operations; and

WHEREAS, the said sum of Four Thousand and No/100ths (\$4000.00) Dollars was contributed by the following:

Amerada Petroleum Corp.	\$250.00	Shell Petroleum Corp.	\$250.00
Cities Service Oil Co.	\$250.00	Standard Oil Co. of Texas	\$250.00
Continental Oil Co.	\$250.00	Stanolind Oil and Gas Co.	\$250.00
Gatty Oil Co.	\$250.00	Sun Oil Co.	\$250.00
Gulf Oil Corporation	\$250.00	The Texas Company	\$250.00
Humble Oil & Refining Co.	\$250.00	Tide Water Associated Oil Co.	\$250.00
Ohio Oil Co.	\$250.00	Walker Oil Corporation	\$250.00
Landreth Production Co.	\$250.00	Texas Pacific C & O Co.	\$250.00

and

WHEREAS, the Hobbs Proration Committee was dissolved or discontinued in December, 1936, and its functions were assumed by the "Lea County Operators Committee" which was organized in January, 1937; and

WHEREAS, the Lea County Operators Committee has continued to use the said sum of Four Thousand and No/100ths (\$4000.00) Dollars as a working fund to finance its operations;

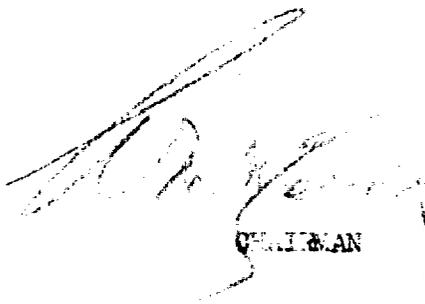
NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved by the Lea County Operators Committee that said Committee recognizes that the said sum of Four Thousand and No/100ths (\$4,000.00) Dollars belongs to and is the property of the Companies hereinabove named; and the Lea County Operators Committee hereby authorizes its Chairman and its Secretary-Treasurer, jointly, to disburse and account for said fund and all other funds of this Committee."

On motion made by F. E. Heath and seconded by W. E. Hubbard, H. B. Hurley and H. S. Cole, Jr., were nominated and unanimously elected members of the Executive Committee to fill vacancies caused by transfers of J. C. Johnston and C. R. Williams.

The personnel of the Executive Committee is now as follows:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>COMPANY</u>
E. E. Marsh	Amerada Petroleum Corporation
H. B. Hurley	Continental Oil Company
S. G. Sanderson	Gulf Oil Corporation
John R. Suman	Humble Oil and Refining Co.
B. A. Bowers	Mc-Tex Company
D. B. Collins	Shell Petroleum Corporation
J. N. Dunlavey	Skelly Oil Company
A. M. McCorkle	Stanbind Oil and Gas Company
H. S. Cole, Jr.	The Texas Company

The meeting of the Lea County Operators was then adjourned and the operators reconvened as a group with Edgar Kraus acting as Chairman to consider matters in connection with hearing called by the Oil Conservation Commission for the Hobbs and Monument Fields


 CHAIRMAN

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June 24, 1939

Honorable H. M. Dow
Roswell, New Mexico

My dear Sir:

Enclosed please find the Commission's order for dismissal of case No. 13, and the Commission's order for recessing the hearing in case No. 14 until September 18.

Also enclosed is call for hearing to be held July 21.

Very truly yours,

OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

By Carl B. Livingston
Attorney

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June 24, 1939

Colonel J. D. Atwood
Roswell, New Mexico

Dear Colonel Atwood:

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Honorable J. O. Seth
Santa Fe, New Mexico

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June 24, 1939

Mr. A. M. McCorkle
Stanolind Oil Company
Fort Worth, Texas

Dear Mr. McCorkle:

Enclosed please find the Commission's order for dismissal of case No. 13, and the Commission's order for recessing the hearing in case No. 14 until September 18.

Also enclosed is call for hearing to be held July 21.

Also enclosed is a list of those appearing at the hearing in Case No. 14 and a list of those appearing in Case No. 13.

Very truly yours,

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May 18, 1939

Honorable J. S. Noland
Barnsdall Oil Company
Petroleum Building
Tulsa, Oklahoma

My dear Jim:

As requested in your letter of May 15,
enclosed is the notice for hearing to be held in
Santa Fe on June 23, which notice is self-explanatory.

There is also to be another hearing on June
26, which relates to the consideration by the Com-
mission of a smaller spacing and smaller units of
production than are now in use, to effect San Juan
County only.

With best good wishes,

Very truly yours,

Carl B. Livingston
Attorney

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May 23, 1939

Mr. George W. Selinger
Skelly Oil Company
Tulsa, Oklahoma

Re: Public hearing to be held at the Capitol, Santa Fe, New Mexico, on the 23d day of June, 1939, for the consideration of the revising, modifying and amending the existing proration plan for Hobbs Field, Lea County, designated as Order No. 48 of the Commission, and the existing proration plan for Monument Field, Lea County, designated as Order No. 33 of the Commission.

Dear Mr. Selinger:

In response to your letter of May 22 regarding the moving up of the date of the above captioned hearing, please be advised that service by publication has already been completed and it would tend to confusion. If, however, the situation were a matter of moving the hearing in question to a later date, then there would be sufficient time to re-publish the notices and time for all concerned to receive information as to such change.

As requested by you, enclosed please find Orders Nos. 33 and 48 of the Commission.

Very truly yours,

A. Andreas
State Geologist and
Member of the Commission.

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May 12, 1939

Honorable J. O. Seth
Attorney at Law
Santa Fe, New Mexico

My dear Judge:

Enclosed is a Notice of Hearing affecting the Hobbs and Monument Fields. It is understood that the main matter to be considered in the revision of the respective proration orders for those two fields is the matter of allocating by acreage in lieu of the present plan wherein acreage is only partly considered in conjunction with bottom-hole pressure.

Also enclosed is a Notice of Hearing which affects spacing and unit of production for San Juan County only. That area appears to have a very shallow lenticular horizon which justifies the consideration of a closer spacing and smaller unit of production than exist generally for the state. The operators of San Juan County have petitioned for this hearing.

Very truly yours,

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May 12, 1939

Honorable Roy Yarbrough
Oil Conservation Commission
Hobbs, New Mexico

Dear Mr. Yarbrough:

Enclosed is a notice of hearing to be held at Santa Fe which affects the Hobbs and Monument Fields. Please call at the Hobbs Daily News-Sun to see that that paper publishes the notice which I am today sending it and to urge them to be sure to return their publisher's affidavit. I have had considerable difficulty in getting that paper to send the publisher's affidavit promptly. It is all important for jurisdiction of the Commission sitting in its quasi judicial capacity, so please keep an eye on this paper to see that publication is made and the publisher's affidavit made and forwarded to Santa Fe.

Very truly yours,

OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

By Carl B. Livingston
Attorney

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May 12, 1939

Hobbs Daily News-Sun
Hobbs, New Mexico

Gentlemen:

There is enclosed herewith a Notice for Publication, which you are kindly requested to publish once immediately. You are also requested to furnish this Commission with a copy containing this publication.

Immediately upon completion of the publication be sure to transmit to the Oil Conservation Commission your affidavit of publication.

Upon sending to the Commission your affidavit of publication, please send your statement in duplicate and enclosed purchase voucher, also in duplicate.

Very truly yours,

OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

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Attorney

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May 12, 1939

Honorable Hiram M. Dow
Roswell, New Mexico

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New Mexico Examiner
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