## BEFORE THE NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

PETITION OF I. K. WESTBROOK FOR AUTHORIZATION TO DRILL WELL ON A PORTION OF SECTION 22, TOWNSHIP 20(WESD, RANGE 11 WEST, MCKINLEY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

Comes now I. K. WESTBROOK by his Attorneys, Iden and Johnson, and respectfully petitions the New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission for authorization to drill a well at the location hereinafter specifically described, and in support of said Petition states:

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That for many years Petitioner has held a grazing lease from Santa Fe Pacific Railroad Company on the lands on which the hereinafter described well is located; that shortly after the first of January, 1946, Petitioner entered into a contract to purchase the surface rights of said real estate from said Santa Fe Pacific Railroad Company and thereafter started the drilling of a water well; that when said well had reached the approximate depth of 1092 feet a showing of oil was encountered and drilling operations were immediately stopped.

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That Petitioner thereupon entered into an oil and gas lease with Santa Fe Pacific Railroad Company on the following described 160-acre tract, upon which said well is located:

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## Township twenty North, Range Eleven West

 $W_{2}^{\perp}E_{2}^{\perp}NE_{4}^{\perp}$ ,  $W_{2}^{\perp}NE_{4}^{\perp}$  and  $E_{2}^{\perp}E_{2}^{\perp}NW_{4}^{\perp}$ , Section 22, containing one hundred sixty and no hundredths acres (160.00).

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That it is the desire of Petitioner to continue drilling operations in order to determine whether oil in commercial quantities is present.

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That said well is exactly located as follows: 1594' south of the North line and 2411' west of the East line of Section 22, Township 20 North, Range 11 West, N. M. P. M.

That the location of said well is unorthodox and not according to the spacing rule for the location of oil and gas wells, as provided by this Commission; that said unorthodox location arises by reason of the facts and circumstances herein set forth, and Petitioner at the time of starting said well had no intention of drilling an oil and gas well, but merely a water well, and accordingly the drilling of said well in its present location was not for the purpose of evading or violating any rules of this Commission; that it is the opinion of your Petitioner that no one will be prejudiced by the continuation of this well in its present location for the purpose of exploration of oil and gas.

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That for purposes of identification, Petitioner has identified said well as "Santa Fe Pacific Railroad Company Well No. 1", and this Petition is accompanied by One-Well Bond Form 39-Bl and Notice of Intention to Drill, executed in triplicate.

WHEREFORE, Petitioner prays for authorization from this Commission to drill Santa Fe Pacific Railroad Company Well No. 1 in the Northeast Quarter of Section 22, Township 20 North, Range 11 West, N. M. P. M., at the location hereinabove specifically described.

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STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF BERNALILLO.....SS

BRYAN G. JOHNSON, being first duly sworn, upon oath states: That he is one of the attorneys for Petitioner; that he makes this verification for the reason that Petitioner resides outside the County of Bernalillo, to-wit, McKinley County; that he has read the foregoing Petition, knows the contents thereof and that the same is true as he is informed and verily believes.

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN to before me this 6th day

of May, 1946.

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NOTARY PUBLIC

MY COMMISSION EXPIRES:

December 5, 1946