BEFORE THE OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO

Re: Petition of V. S. Welch for Unorthodox Location

PETITION

COMES NOW V. S. Welch of Artesia, New Mexico, by his attorney, Neil B. Watson, and petitions the Oil Conservation Commission for an order permitting an unorthodox oil and gas well location, and states:

1. That the petitioner herein, V. S. Welch, is the owner of an oil and gas lease issued by the State of New Mexico under lease B-2884, as to the following described lands involved in this Petition, which lands are located in Eddy County, New Mexico, to wit:

 $N_{2}^{1}NE_{4}^{1}$ of Section 36, Township 16 South, Range 30 East, N.M.P.M.

That said lands are within what is designated as the Square Lake Field in Eddy County, New Mexico.

- 2. That the petitioner has a producing well in the approximate center of the NELNEL of said Section 36, and that he has a producing well in the NWLNEL of said Section 36, and that neither of said wells is capable of making the unit allowable in the Square Lake Field and said lease covers the same institutional funds, to wit, common school purposes.
- 3. That the petitioner, on the basis of engineering information, is advised that a well in the center of each forty is not sufficient to drain the said 80 acres of the recoverable oil, and your petitioner desires to drill a well in the NE+NE+ of said Section 36, Township 16 South, Range 30 East, N.M.P.M., to be known

as State Well No. 3 and to be located 990 feet south of the north line and 1300 feet west of the east line of said Section 36. That the drilling of said well, so petitioner is informed and believes, will result in a greater recovery of the recoverable oil under the said lands described as the NaNEt of Section 36, Township 16 South, Range 30 East, N.M.P.L.

- That there is attached hereto, in triplicate, petitioner's Notice of Intention to Drill said State Well No. 3, and petitioner respectfully requests approval of said location and of his said Notice of Intention to Drill.
- 5. That Carper Drilling Company of Artesia, New Mexico is the owner of an undivided one-half interest in the 40 acre State Oil and Gas Lease lands offsetting the NW 1 NE 2 of Section 36, Township 16 South, Range 30 East, N.M.P.M., and Carper Drilling Company, insofar as its onehalf interest is concerned, has no objection to the said unorthodox location but, in fact, desires that said unorthodox location be approved and said well drilled so that it may be determined by actual operations the number of wells necessary to adequately obtain all the recoverable oil in this area. That there is attached hereto the consent of Carper Drilling Company to the granting of this request for said unorthodox location, insofar as its half interest is concerned.

WHEREFORE, petitioner prays that he be granted permission to drill a well for oil and gas at the location above set forth and that a date be set for hearing this Petition, and that all proper orders be made in the premises.

Carper Drilling Company, a corporation, by Emery Carper, its president, hereby acknowledges receipt of a copy of the above Petition of V. S. Welch for unorthodox location, and hereby consents to the granting of said Petition insofar as the one-half interest of Carper Drilling Company is concerned.

CARPER DRILLING COMPANY

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President