NEAL & GIRAND LAWYERS NEAL BUILDING HOBBS, NEW MEXICO August 1, 1947



State Geologist R. R. Spurrier Santa Fe, New Mexico

Dear Dick:

I am here enclosing copy of application of Hardin-Houston for general order covering waste oil. Any suggested changes will be appreciated.

I would like for this matter to be set down for hearing at the earliest possible date.

Best personal regards, I am,

Yours very truly,

NEAL & GIRAND

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STATE OF NEW MEXICO OFFICE OF STATE GEOLOGIST SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

July 15, 1948





THE HORES DAILY NEWS-SUN HORES, NEW MEXICO

RE: Notice of Publication - Cases 110 and 104



Gentlemen:

Please publish the enclosed notice once, is mediately. Please proof-read the notice carefully and send a copy of the paper carrying such notice.

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Very truly yours,

GEORGE A. GRAHAM, Attorney



OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

4 October 1948

Mr. W. D. Girand Hobbs, New Mexico

Dear Mr. Girand:

Inclosed is copy of general order adopted by the Commission with regard to the application of Hardin-Houston on tank cleaning.

Very truly yours,

RRS:bsp

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STATE OF NEW MEXICO OFFICE OF STATE GEOLOGIST SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

July 16, 1948

Neal ? Girand Neal Building Hobbs, New Mexico

RF: Continuance of Case No. 110

Gentlemen:

This is to advise you that the above captioned case, in the matter of the application of Hardin-Houston for permission to purchase and process waste oil will be heard at 10:00 o'clock a.m., July 29, 1948, Santa Fe, Hew Mexico, in the House of Representatives.

Very truly yours,

GEORGE A. GRAHAM, Attorney

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RAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS OIL AND GAS DIVISION

OIL AND GAS DOCKET NO. 126

#8 - 11,513

IN RE: CONSERVATION AND PREVENTION OF WASTE OF CRUDE PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS IN RAILROAD COM-MISSION DISTRICT NO. 8, TEXAS

> Austin, Texas November 12, 1947

NOTICE OF HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN To the public and all interested parties that the Railroad Commission of Texas will, at ten a. m., DECEMBER 10, 1947, hold a Hearing in the Commission's office in the Petroleum Building, in Midland, Texas, for the purpose of permitting the Hardin-Houston Company and/or any other interested party to place before the Commission such evidence as may be desired to be presented in connection with and bearing upon whether or not the Commission's permit heretofore granted said company to operate a plant, located at Denver City, in Yoakum County, Texas, for the purpose of treating and/or reclaiming tank bottoms should be revoked.

THIS HEARING IS CALLED Pursuant to the provisions of Section IV of Commission Order No. 20-11,302, dated September 29, 1947, titled "Special Order Regulating Tank Cleaning, Plants Processing Tank Bottoms, and Reclaiming of Waste Oil"; and by reason of the fact that sampling, by Commission representatives, of the unprocessed stock, classified by Hardin-Houston Company as BS&W and reported on Commission Form RP as stock on hand at the close of September, 1947, operations, disclosed that the actual BS&W content thereof approximated only twenty-two per cent (22%) of such total volume reported as BS&W stock.

PURSUANT To said Hearing, the Commission will enter such rules, regulations, and orders as in its judgment the evidence presented may justify.

RAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS

Ernest O. Thompson, Chairman

W. J. Murray, Jr., Commissioner

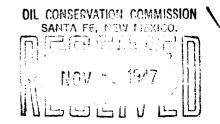
Olin Culberson, Commissioner

(SEAL)

ATTEST:

K. C. Miller, Secretary

NOVEMBER 3, 1947



Oil Conservation Commission Santa Fe, New Mexico

Gentlemen:

As suggested in your letter of October 20, to Mr. Glenn Staley, Leá County Operators Committee, a committee representing the producers, pipéline companies, gasoline plant operators, refineries and petitioners, met on October 31. The following were present:

C.L. Withers	New Mexico Asphalt & Ref.	Artesia
W. D. Girand, Jr.	Neal & Girand	Hobbs
F. B. Whitaker, Jr.	Texas New Mexico Pipe Line Co.	Midland
Walter Famarris, Jr.	•	Hobbs
Raymond F. Miller	Grayburg Oil Co. of N. M.	Artesia
M. C. Brunner (Chr.) Shell Oil Co.	Hobbs
W. L. Phillips	Phillips Petroleum Co.	
	(Gasoline Dept.)	Odessa
H. R. Markley	tt tt tt	\$1
Roy Yarbrough	Oil Conservation Commission	Hobbs
Glenn Steley	Lea County Operators	17

The suggested rules and regulations covering the operating of reclamation plants were discussed and we are attaching for your consideration and approval the rules as unanimously agreed upon by the committee.

The question of charging the salvaged oil to the unit or lease allowable was fully discussed and it was agreed upon that charging it to the allowable was impractical, because of the clerical and royalty accounting work required, for the extremely small amount of oil involved.

In the opinion of the committee, the proposed order submitted herewith, sets up sufficient rules and regulations adequate to protect the State and the producers from the marketing of illegal oil.

It is the opinion of the committee in the tender of this proposed general Order that the adoption hereof will assist in the future conservation of petroleum in the State of New Mexico, and will encourage the reclamation of this waste product.

Respectfully submitted,

M. C. Brunner, Chairman

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OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO.

NOV -0 1947

IN THE MATTER OF AN ORDER
TO PROVIDE RULES AND REGULATIONS
GOVERNING THE PROCESSING OF TANK BOTTOM
EMULSION AND WASTE OIL WITHIN THE
STATE OF NEW MEXICO

ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

The Commission on its own motion on this the day of ,1947 at 10:00 A. M., considered the advisability of promulgating general rules and regulations governing the processing of tank bottom emulsion and waste oil in the State of New Mexico for the reason that at the time of this meeting there are in existence in the State of New Mexico two permits to processors, both operating under Order No. 726 of this Commission, entered on September 9, 1947, being the Walter Famarris Jr., and the Hardin-Houston permits.

THE COMMISSION FINDS:

1. That it is necessary that general rules and regulations promulgating the procedure to be followed by applicants for permits to operate as processors of tank hottom emulsion and waste oil be adopted by this Commission so that there will be a uniform system of rules and regulations governing all persons engaged in the business of processing tank bottom emulsion and waste oil in order to provide suitable supervision over the processors and to prevent additional waste and other violations of the conservation program of the State of New Mexico.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

RULE 1.

No treating plant, as defined in this Order, shall operate except in conformity with the following rules and regulations:

• (A) Every person desiring to operate or cause to be operated a treating plant within the State of New Mexico under the terms of this Order shall, before he begins the construction thereof, apply to the Commission in writing for a permit. Such application shall state in detail the location, type and capacity of the plant contemplated and method of processing proposed to be used. The Commission shall set such application for a hearing in not lose than twenty (30) days, and if satisfied that the proposed plant and method of processing will actually and efficiently process, treat and reclaim tank bottom emulsion and waste oil, and that there is a need for such a plant at the proposed location thereof, a permit will be granted authorizing the construction of such plant under the Commission's supervision.

No person or persons shall operate, or cause to be operated, a treating plant without having first applied for and obtained an operating permit from the Commission and such permit will be granted only after the plans of the plant have been approved and applicant has filed and had approved his bond as hereinafter provided and upon a showing satisfactory to the Commission of the necessity thereof.

Such permit, when granted, shall be valid until revoked or abandoned, and shall be revocable at any time after hearing is had on ten(10) day's notice, the Commission finds:

- (1) The treating plant under which such permit racted is so constructed, equipped or operated as not to reclaim and conserve tank bottom emulsion and waste oil;
- (2) The owner or operator of such treating plant in the construction or operations thereof, is violating any law of the State of New Mexico relating to the production, transportation, processing, refining, treating and marketing of crude oil or its products;
- (3) The owner or operator of such treating plant is violating any law of the State of New Moxico adopted to conserve the oil and gas resources of the State, or any rule or regulation of this Commission enacted under and in pursuance of said laws:
- (B) The total amount of products secured from tank bottom emulsion and waste oil by treating plant processing tank bottom emulsion and waste oil operating in conformity with the provisions of this Order shall be entitled to a Callo.
- (C) That before actual operations are begun, the permittee shall file with this Commission a surety company bond payable to the Oil Conservation Commission and/or the State of New Mexico in the amount of \$25,000 conditioned upon faithful performance by the permittee of the provisions of this Order or of any further Order in this cause, observance of the applicable laws of the State of New Mexico and the rules and regulations heretofore or hereafter promulgated by the Commission in any wise applicable.
- (D) Any treating plant operating under these rules and regulations shall, on or before the 15th day of each calendar month, file at the Commission. Each such monthly report shall contain full and accurate information covering the following details of the business conducted by such reporting permittee during the preceding period. The report shall cover the period from 7:00 A. M., the first day of the calendar month reported, and end at 7:00 A. M., the first day of the calendar month in which the report is filed. The data required in each report shall be:
- (1) The number of barrels of tank bottom emulsion, waste oil and treated tank bottom emulsion on hand in the possession, custody or control of such plant, at the beginning and close of each reported period, and the location where all of such tank bottom emulsion waste oil and treated tank bottom emulsion are held, including the location and identification of each tank or place of deposit.
- (2) The number of barrels of tank bottom emulsion, waste oil and treated tank bottom emulsion which came into the possession of such plant during such reported period. Each quantity of tank bottom emulsion so reported shall be identified by the tank number of the operator from whom it was obtained and the location where obtained.
- (3) The number of barrels of tank bottom emulsion and waste oil treated and/or processed during such reported period and the number of barrels of pipeline oil recovered, and the treating or processing loss during such reported period.
- (4) The number of barrels of pipeline oil sold and/or delivered and/or transported during the reported period, to whom delivered and/or transported, together with the approved C-110 on which such delivery was made.
- (5) After the report form to be furnished by the Commission has been assigned a serial number and approved by an authorized agent of the Oil Conservation Commission, it may be used to support a C-110 for the net oil on hand at the end of the reported period.

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(6) From and a r the date of the adoption of s Order, it shall be a violation of the rules of this Commission for any person to place in commerce and/or transfer tank bottom emulsion or waste oil, requiring treatment before meeting pipeline requirements, to anyone other than a permittee holding a permit from this Commission as a processor. Except these producting companies treating their owner oil ?

The words defined in this order shall have the following meanings:

- (A) "Person" shall mean any natural persons, corporations, associations, partnerships, receivers, trustees, guardians, executors, administrators or a fiduciary, or representative of any kind,
- (B) "Treating Plant" shall mean any plant or assembly of machinery or equipment, such as boilers, pipes, tanks, pumps, etc., constructed for the purpose of wholly or partially or being used wholly or partially for reclaiming, treating, processing or in any manner cleaning and making tank bottom emulsion and waste oil marketable.
- (C) Tank Bottom Emulsion" is hereby defined as that substance containing 2% or greater basic sediment and water limited to volume below the tank pipeline outset, and in the case of lease production tank where the volume exceeds the pipeline outlet the same may be treated and processed upon special order of the Commission only.
- (D) "Treated Tank Bottom Emulsion" shall mean the recovered product from the treating, reclaiming, processing or cleaning of tank bottom emulsion and waste oil. This term shall be used by treating plants in the application for C-110.
- (E) "Waste Oil" shall include pit oil, line break oil, gasoline plant catchings not up to pipeline requirements, which for the purpose of this Order shall carry the same requirements as to reporting as does tank bottom emulsion as set out above.

RULE 3:

(1) Nothing contained in this Order shall apply to treating plants operated by the person operating the properties or gasoline plant facilities or pipeline facilities from which the emulsion or waste oils are obtained.

RUIE 4:

(1) The products reclaimed or salvaged from the processing of tank bottom emulsion or waste oil, shall not be charged against the allowable of any well or unit from which it may have been produced.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED BY THE COMMISSION:

That this Order shall control all rules and regulations with reference to the same subject matter and in conflict herewith, if any.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED BY THE COMMISSION:

That this docket be kept open for such other and further orders as may be necessary and appropriate in the premises.

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November 3, 1947

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OIL AND GAS DIVISION

HARRY M. BATIS CHIEF SUPERVISOR

JACK K. BAUMEL CHIEF ENGINEER

L. E. DAVIS

November 13, 1947

Hew Mexico Oil Conservation Cormission Santa Fe, New Mexico

Attention: Mr. Dick Spurrier

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COMMISSIONERS

ERNEST O. THOMPSON CHAIRMAN

WILLIAM J. MURRAY, JR.

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K. C. MILLER. SECRETARY

In connection with the operations of tank cleaning plants in our West Texas District, we have, from time to time in the past, had occasion to check receipts into these plants and make other investigations; with regard to whether or not such plants are actually being operated for the purpose of reclaiming tank bottoms. Our experience as a whole has been that sometimes some of these so-called tank cleaning plants are used more or less as a screen or blind to aid in the disposal of oil produced in excess of the allowable production, rather than for the purpose of actually processing tank bottoms. Specifically, we have noted that as the price of crude oil increases in some localities, the cleaning of lease production tanks becomes more frequent. This, of course, leads to the conclusion that sometimes material other than BS&W finds its way into this type of plant.

In making some routine checks last month, we took some samples and made some shake-out tests on some unprocessed material located in the Hardin-Houston Tank Bottom Processing Plant, located at Denver City, in Yoakum County. This material that we sampled and tested for BS&W Content in this instance was moved into this State from New Mexico. It moved in as "tank bottoms" and our testing of it, by centrifuge tests made according to the procedure outlined in API Code No. 25, Section V, showed that approximately three-fourths of it was pipe line oil.

I have not had the opportunity of familiarizing myself with such regulations as are in effect in your State pertaining to the cleaning of tanks that are used in the handling of crude oil. I do not know, therefore, if I am correctly informed; but I am told that your body makes no charge back in any manner of the oil contained in the tank bottom. If no charge back is made, it may account for the high percentage of pipe line oil that we found in the so-called "tank bottoms" that are above referred to.

Our investigation, as concerns the instance just mentioned, has led us to call a hearing for the purpose of determining whether or not the Commission's permit heretofore given this concern to operate a tank bottom processing plant should be revoked. This hearing has been set for December 10, 1947, at the Commission's Offices, in the Petroleum Building, at Midland, Texas.

OIL CONSEDURITION (1) SANTA FE, NEW MEN

Inasmuch as the matter at hand is one that very obviously is of concern to both New Mexico and Texas, I take this opportunity of inviting your comments with respect thereto, prior to the time that we meet for this hearing. We would like for your State Regulatory Agency to be represented at this hearing if you think it proper to attend.

I am taking the liberty of sending you herewith a copy of our order now in effect, regulating the cleaning of tanks and the operation of tank cleaning plants in Texas. This order, which I am sending you, is the most recent revision of our original order in this respect, and which original order was issued some eight years ago. Prior to this last revision of it, we charged back only the "merchantable oil" contained in a tank bottom. To arrive at the amount of "merchantable oil" in a tank bottom, we provided that the "free oil" was to be bled from samples, after proper settling; and then provided that our centrifuge samples should be taken from this "free oil," and that the "merchantable oil" would constitute that portion of the "free oil" that contained 2 per cent or less of BS&W. With the first major increase in the price of crude oil that came on some time ago, we immediately noted that the cleaning of tanks became much more frequent; and we first attempted to cope with the situation by placing a time limit on the frequency of tank cleaning. This method, however, did not prove feasible due to varied producing conditions even in the same field. As a result, therefore, we found it expedient to revise our tank cleaning order in such manner as to charge back all of the oil contained in the tank bottom and thereby remove the incentive for cleaning tanks more often than producing conditions make it actually necessary. It is for this reason that our tank cleaning order that we send you herewith was revised in September of this year.

It seems to me that it is to be expected that in the future more frequent movements of so-called "tank bottoms" will take place from New Mexico into Texas. We would like, therefore, to familiarize ourselves with such rules as have been laid down by your body to regulate the cleaning of tanks and processing of tank bottoms; and will appreciate copies of such rules in connection therewith as are now in effect in your State. It seems to me, also, that this situation presents a great opportunity and an urgent necessity for close cooperation as between our two regulatory bodies.

I think the problem could be materially simplified for all concerned if the two regulatory bodies involved could adopt a similar definition of what constitutes a tank bottom, and provide a uniform system of handling tank bottom material. I would therefore, appreciate having a copy of your order or orders concerning this matter; and I would appreciate your giving me your comments and ideas concerning the applicableness of the provisions of our order to tank cleaning operations in your State. It is hoped that when you have had an opportunity to study our order, and we have had an opportunity to make a similar study of your order, that we will be able to work out some procedure that will be satisfactory to all concerned.

Yours very truly

Ernest O. Thompson

RAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS OIL AND GAS DIVISION

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OIL AND GAS DOCKET NOS, 108, IN RE: CONSERVATION AND PREVENTION 120, 123, 124, 125, 126, 128, OF WASTE OF CRUDE PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS IN THE STATE OF TEXAS

#20-11,302

Austin, Texas September 29, 1947

SPECIAL ORDER REGULATING TANK CLEANING, PLANTS PROCESSING TANK BOTTOMS, AND RECLAIMING OF WASTE OIL

WHEREAS, After the giving of notice for the time and in the manner required by law, the Railroad Commission of Texas held a hearing in its Hearing Room, in the Tribune Building, at Austin, Texas, on July 18, 1947, for the purpose of receiving testimony and evidence concerning whether or not there exists a necessity for amending the Commission's rules and regulations now in effect, and regulating the cleaning of tanks used in connection with the production and storage of crude oil in the State of Texas, and the processing and reclaiming of tank bottoms, waste oil, wash-in oil, creek oil, pit oil, pipe line break oil, and similar types and kinds of oil; more particularly whether or not the Commission's Order Numbered 20-1184, dated January 4, 1940, as amended by Order No. 20-1573, dated May 17, 1940, and Order No. 20-4271, dated December 10, 1942, should be further amended to accurately accomplish the proper gauging, testing, and accounting to the Commission of all oil and products thereof in storage at any point in the State; and

WHEREAS, Pursuant to the evidence adduced at said hearing and the experience of the Commission in connection with operations under its aforesaid Order No. 20-1184, as subsequently amended, the Commission is of the opinion and finds that said order and the aforesaid amendments thereto should be cancelled and the following rules and regulations adopted in lieu thereof.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED By the Railroad Commission of Texas that effective October 1, 1947, its Orders Numbered 20-1184, 20-1573, and 20-4271, respectively, be and they are hereby cancelled, and in lieu thereof and effective as of October 1, 1947, the following rules and regulations are hereby adopted to govern, regulate, and control the cleaning of all tanks used in the handling, production, and/or measuring, and storing of crude oil in the State of Texas, the processing of tank bottoms, the construction and operation of treating plants, and the pick. ing up, reclaiming, and/or salvaging of wash-in oil, creek oil, pit oil, and pipe line break oil; to wit:

- Section I.
 (Definition of Terms) (a) The word "person" where used in Section II, Section IV, or Section V hereof shall mean any natural person, corporation, association, partnership, receiver, trustee, guardian, executor, administrator, or a fiduciary or representative of any kind.
- (b) The phrase "tank bottom" or "tank bottoms" where used in Section II, Section III, Section IV, or Section V hereof shall mean that accumulation of hydrocarbon material and other substances which settle naturally below crude oil in tanks and receptacles that are used in the handling and storing of crude oil, and which accumulation contains in excess of two (2%) per cent of basic sediment and water; provided, however, that with respect to lease production and/or lease storage tanks (exclusive of settling tanks or gun-barrels used on a lease) a tank bottom shall be limited to that volume of the tank in which it is contained that lies below the bottom of the pipe line outlet thereto.
- (c) The phrase "treated tank bottom" or "treated tank bottoms" where used in Section III, Section IV, or Section V hereof shall mean the recovered products resulting from the treating, reclaiming, processing or cleaning of a "tank bottom" or of "tank bottoma" as herein defined.
- (d) The phrase "treating plant" Where used in Section II, Section III, Section IV, or Section V hereof shall mean any plant or assembly of machinery or equipment such as bollers, pipes, tanks, pumps, et cetera, constructed for the purpose of wholly or partially or being used wholly or partially for reclaiming, treating, processing, or in any manner making tank bottoms marketable.

Section II.

RULE 1. The provisions of this section (Section II) of this order shall be of statewide application and shall govern the cleaning of all lease production or lease storage tanks and the removal of tank bottoms therefrom with the following exceptions; to wit:

- (a) The provisions hereof shall not apply to the cleaning of lease production or lease storage tanks and the removal of tank bottoms therefrom where such tank bottoms are recycled on the lease where produced, where there results no change in the custody or control of such tank bottoms during such recycling process, and where the oil component of the recycled tank bottoms is not disposed of except through the transporter duly authorized by the producer, as shown on SW-1 Form filed with the Commission, to transport oil therefrom.
- RULE 2. Application for tank bottom cleaning permits shall be made on the Commission's adopted Form ES-A, which form shall be filled out completely and approved by the Railroad Commission's Agent before any tank bottom is removed from any tank to which the provisions of this section (Section II) of this order are applicable.
- RULE 3. No tank bottom to which the provisions of this section (Section II) are applicable shall be removed from any lease production or lease storage tank that is used or that has been used in connection with the producing, measuring, handling, and/or storing of crude oil unless such tank bottom has been tested as follows:
- (a) At least two (2) gauges which check shall be taken on each tank for which a tank cleaning permit is sought one gauge of which shall be witnessed by an employee of the Railroad Commission and the results thereof recorded on Commission Form ES-A.
- (b) A sample shall be taken by an Employee of the Railroad Commission from as many places as are available on the tank for which a tank cleaning permit is sought by means of a thief so constructed as to accurately show a true vertical section of the tank bottom being sampled, and each such sample shall be tested by an Employee of the Railroad Commission in the manner prescribed in the following paragraph to determine the per cent of oil contained therein.
- cording to the standard centrifugal test as prescribed by the American Petroleum Institute's code for measuring, sampling, and testing crude oil, Number 25, Section 5, except that no heat shall be applied to the samples before centrifuging. Each sample of tank bottom obtained shall be tested for oil content in accordance with the procedure herein specified and the results of the shake-out of each sample shall be recorded on Commission Form ES-A. An average of the results obtained from testing of the samples, where more than one sample is tested, shall be used in determining the volume of oil contained in the tank bottom from which such samples were taken.
- (d) The oil contained in the tank bottom, determined according to the harderovisions of the immediately preceding paragraph, shall be charged against the allowable of the well or wells producing into the tank where such tank bottom accumulated.

Section III.

- RUIE 1. The provisions of this section (Section III) of this order shall be of statewide application and shall govern the cleaning of all tanks and removal of tank bottoms therefrom that are used or that have been used in connection with the handling of crude oil at pipe line stations, crude oil storage terminals, and refineries, and all other tanks that are used or have been used in the storing or handling in any way of crude oil with the following exceptions; to wit:
- (a) The provisions hereof shall not apply to the cleaning and removal of tank bottoms from lease production and/or lease storage tanks to which the provisions of Section II of this order apply.
- (b) The provisions hereof shall not apply to the cleaning of tanks and removal of tank bottoms from tanks located at a pipe line station, crude oil storage terminal, or refinery where such tank bottoms are recycled at the pipe line station, crude oil storage terminal or refinery where such bottoms accumulated, where the oil contained in such tank bottoms is reported to the Railroad Commission as a part of the inventory and tenderable balance of the owner or operator of such pipe line station, crude oil storage terminal, or refinery, and where, after recycling of such tank bottoms, the oil component of such recycled tank bottoms is disposed of as a part of the regular deliveries of crude oil from such pipe line station, crude oil storage terminal, or refinery.
- RULE 2. Applications for tank bottom cleaning permits shall be made on the Commission's adopted Form ES-A, which form shall be filled out completely and approved by the Railroad Commission's Agent before any tank bottom is removed from

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- (c) The determination of oil contained in the tank bottom shall be according to the standard centrifugal test as prescribed by the American Petroleum Institute's code for measuring, sampling, and testing crude oil, Number 25, Section 5. Each sample of tank bottom obtained shall be tested for oil content in accordance with the procedure herein specified and the results of the shake-out of each sample shall be recorded on Commission Form ES-A. An average of the results obtained from testing of the samples, where more than one sample is tested, shall be used in determining the volume of oil contained in the tank bottom from which such samples were taken a construction of the
- (d) The oil contained in the tank bottom, determined according to the provisions of the immediately preceding paragraph, shall be charged against the tenderable balance of the owner or operator of such tank.

Section IV.

- RULE 1. The provisions of this section (Section IV) of this order shall be applicable to and shall govern all treating plants with the following exceptions; to wit:
- (a) The provisions hereof shall not be applicable to the operation of recycling tank bottoms on the lease where produced that are contained in lease production and/or lease storage tanks, and where there results no change in the custody or control of such tank bottoms during the recycling of such bottoms, and where the recycled tank bottom is not disposed of except through the transporter authorized by the producer, as shown on SW-1 Form filed with the Commission, to transport oil therefrom.
- (b) The provisions hereof shall not be applicable to the operation of recycling tank bottoms contained in a tank or tanks located at a pipe line station, crude oil storage terminal, or refinery where the oil contained in such tank bottoms is reported to the Railroad Commission as a part of the inventory and tenderable balance of the owner or operator of such pipe line station, crude oil storage terminal, or refinery, and where the recycled tank bottom is not disposed of excep as a part of the regular deliveries of crude oil from such pipe line station, crude oil storage terminal, or refinery.
- RULE 2. No treating plant to which the provisions of this section (Section IV) of this order are applicable shall operate except in conformity with the following rules and regulations; to wit:
- (a) Every person desiring to operate, or cause to be operated, a treating plant to which the provisions of this order are applicable shall, before he begins the construction thereof, apply to the Commission in writing for a temporary permit. Such application shall give the location where the proposed plant is to be built, and shall state in detail the type of plant contemplated and method of processing proposed to be used. The Commission shall set such application for a hear. ing in not less than twenty (20) days, and if satisfied from the evidence presented thereat that the proposed plant and method of processing will actually and efficiently process, treat, and reclaim tank bottoms, a temporary permit will be grant authorizing the construction of such plant under the Commission's supervision. The foregoing requirement as to temporary permits shall have no application to treating plants already in existence and capable of efficiently processing, treating, and reclaiming tank bottoms.

No person or persons shall operate or cause to be operated a treating plant without having first applied for and obtained an operating permit from the Commission, and such permit will be granted only after the plant has been completed, tested, and approved and upon a showing satisfactory to the Commission, from such application and the evidence in support thereof, and its own investigations and a favorable decision of the Commission, that the proposed treating plant is constructed, equipped, and managed to treat or process tank bottoms and so as to reclaim and conserve tank bottoms.

Such operating permit, if granted, shall be valid for only one (1) year, and shall be revocable at any time after hearing is had on ten days' notice, if, in the judgment of the Commission, the treating plant to which such permit relates is so constructed or equipped or operated as not to reclaim and conserve tank bottoms; or if, in the judgment of the Commission, the owner or operator of such treating plant, in the construction or operation thereof has violated or is violate. ing any law of the State of Texas relating to the production, transportation, processing, refining, treating, and marketing of crude oil, or its products, or any law of said State adopted to conserve the oil and gas resources of the State of Texas, or any rule or regulation of the Commission enacted under and in pursuance of said laws.

(b) The total amount of products secured from tank bottoms by a treating

- plant processing tank bottoms and operating in conformity with the provisions of this order shall be entitled to a tender.
- (c) Any treating plant operating under these rules and regulations shall on or before the 15th day of each calendar month file in the District Office of the Commission a monthly report on the Commission's adopted Form R.P. Each such month-ly report shall contain full and accurate information covering the following details of the business conducted by such reporting company during the period covered by the report. The report shall cover the period beginning at 7 o'clock a.m. on the first day of the calendar month reported, and ending at 7 o'clock a.m. on the first day of the calendar month next succeeding. The data required in each report shall be:
- (1) The number of barrels of each kind of tank bottoms and treated tank bottoms on hand or in the possession, custody, or control of such plant at the beginning and close of such reported period, and the location where all of such tank bottoms and treated tank bottoms were held, including the location and identification of each tank or place of deposit.
- (2) The number of barrels of each kind of tank bottoms and treated tank bottoms which came into the possession of such plant during such reported period. Each quantity of tank bottoms so reported shall be identified by the tran; portation permit number authorizing its taking.
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- (5) After the Form R. P. has been assigned a serial number and approved by an authorized Agent of the Railroad Commission, it may be used to support delivery tenders covering treated tank bottom or tank bottoms on hand at the end of the reported period. Section V. Section V.

- RUIE 1. The provisions of this section (Section V) of this order shall apply to any person picking up, reclaiming, or salvaging any wash-in oil, creek oil, pit oil, pipe line break oil, or similar kind or class of oil with the following excertion; to wit:
- (a) The provisions hereof shall not apply in connection with the picking up and returning to the pipe line from which it escaped of pipe line break oil that is picked up and returned to the line from which it escaped at the place that the pipe line break occurred and at the time that such pipe line break is repaired; pro vided, however, that such authority as is herein granted for the picking up of pipe ine break oil shall not relieve the operator of such pipe line of notifying the Commission of such pipe line break, and the furnishing to the Commission of the information required by the provisions of Rule 26 of the Commission's rules of statewide application.

- RULE 2. All applications for permits provided for herein shall be made in writing under cath to the District Office of the Commission having jurisdication. Any person desiring to pick up, reclaim, or salvage any wash-in oil, creek oil, pit oil, or pipe line break oil to which the provisions hereof are applicable shall obtain in writing a permit from the Commission's Departy Supervisor having jurisdiction before picking up, reclaiming, or salvaging the same.
- RUIE 3. (a) All applications for permits to pick up, reclaim, or salvage wash-in oil shall state the name and location of the lease, the number of the well of wells in which such oil was used for wash-in purposes, the operator of such locate, and the date on which it was used. Such application shall also show the source of the oil, giving the name and location of the lease and the operator thereof, together with the number of the well or wells from which produced, and the date that it was acquired for wash-in purposes. After use for wash-in purpose, the oil content determined as provided in Subsection (c), Rule 3, Section II, of this order shall be charged against the allowable of the well or wells in which it was used in the same manner as is provided for the charging of tank bottoms agains allowable oil production.
- (b) Applications for permits to pick up, reclaim, or salvage creek oil shall state the location of the creek oil, the name of the creek, if known, and the source of such oil including name of the operator, the lease, and the number of the well or wells from which it was produced. Such application shall also state, if known, the date on which such oil escaped into such creek and the cause for same. The oil content in such creek oil determined as provided in Subsection (c), Rule 3, Section II, of this order shall be charged against the allowable of the well or wells which produced it in the same manner as is provided for the charging of tank bottoms against allowable production.
- (c) Applications to pick up, salvage, or reclaim pit oil shall describe and identify the location of the pit or pits where it is located, and the name of the person in whose possession or under whose control the pit oil or other substance containing oil is to be found. Such application shall also describe the well or wells from which such pit oil or other fluid or substance containing oil was produced, the name of the lease on which such well or wells are located, and the name of the owner, operator, or manager thereof, and this description shall be made with sufficient definiteness and clarity as to enable the Railroad Commission to charge against the allowable production of the wells which produced such pit oil the oil reclaimed and/or extracted therefrom and/or utilized and/or marketed. The oil content of such pit oil determined as provided in Subsection (c), Rule 3, Section II, of this order shall be charged against the allowable of the well or wells which produced it in the same manner as is provided for the charging of tank bottoms against allowable production.
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IT IS FURTHER ORDERED That this cause be held open on the docket for such other and further orders as may be necessary and supported by evidence of record.

RAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS

Ernest O. Thompson, Chairman

Olin Culberson, Commissioner

(SEAL)

ATTEST:

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STATE OF NEW MEXICO OFFICE OF STATE GEOLOGIST SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

December 9, 1947

Mr. W. E. Hubbard P. O. Box 2180 Houston 1, Texas

Dear Mr. Hubbard:

This will acknowledge your letter of December 1 in which you make a protest to the recommendations submitted by M. C. Brunner, Chairman of the Advisory Committee to the Oil Commission on the matter of tank bottoms.

Please be advised that we are taking full cognizance of this protest and also we should like to add for your record that we have been invited, and will attend a hearing to be held by the Texas Railroad Commission in Midland on December 10th, at which meeting the Texas Railroad Commission is investigating tank cleaners Hardin & Houston, who are reported to have transported tank bottoms which were about 75% pipeline oil from the State of New Mexico into Denver City, Texas.

We, at this time, do not intend to issue a final order in the matter of tank cleaning until the record of the Texas Commission is in our files.

Very truly yours,

RRS:bsp





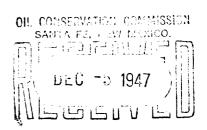




HUMBLE OIL & REFINING COMPANY

POST OFFICE BOX 2180
HOUSTON 1, TEXAS

December 1, 1947



Oil Conservation Commission Santa Fe, New Mexico

Gentlemen:

We have received a copy of proposed tank cleaning regulations which were forwarded to you by Mr. M. C. Brunner, Chairman of a committee appointed after the statewide hearing on October 15. We wish to enter a protest against the adoption of the proposed regulations.

At the hearing on October 15, Mr. Glenn Staley presented the report of the Lea County Operators' Subcommittee appointed to study this problem. The following is quoted from Mr. Staley's report:

"In the second place, we believe that the Commission should include in any order with reference to the processing of tank bottoms or pits a provision that the net oil contained in the tank or pit as determined by API method of testing, shall be charged against the allowable of the lease served by that tank or pit."

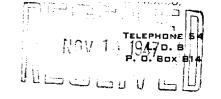
We feel sure that a substantial majority of the producers in whose behalf this report was made are opposed to any order which does not charge to the allowable the net oil contained in the pit or tank. This was the view of all of the producers who expressed themselves at the hearing.

The proposed order does not charge the salvaged oil to the allowable and, for this reason, we are opposed to its adoption. We believe that the proposed order fails to give adequate protection to the royalty owners, including the State and Federal Governments, the taxing authority, and the other producers.

Yours very truly

W. E. Hubbard

cc: Mr. Glenn Staley
Mr. M. C. Brunner



NEAL & GIRAND LAWYERS NEAL BUILDING

HOBBS, NEW MEXICO

November 7, 1947

New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission, Box 871, Santa Fe, New Mexico. Attention: Mr. George Graham.

In re: Application of Hardin-

Houston, Case No. 110.

Dear George:

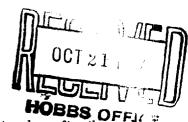
I am sorry that I was misinformed as to the date of the filing of the suggested rules and regulations, and since they had not been filed at the time you received my letter, my request was premature.

However, upon the adoption of the rules by the Commission, I would appreciate very much a formal order in regard to Hardin-Houston.

Very truly yours,

G/ls

Form C-103. ATION COMMISSION Indicate nature of report by checking below. REPORT ON BEGINNING DRILLING OPERA-TIONS REPORT ON RESULT OF SHOOTING OR CHEM-ICAL TREATMENT OF WELL ALTERING CASING REPORT ON RESULT OF TEST OF CASING SHUT-OFF REPORT ON RESULT OF PLUGGING OF WELL



Sumpto this report in triplicate to the Oil Conservation Commission or its proper agent within ten days after the work specified is completed. It should be signed and sworn to before a notary public for reports on beginning drilling operations, results of shooting well, results of test of casing shut off, result of plugging of well, and other important operations, even though the work was witnessed by an agent of the Commission. Reports on minor operations need not be agreed and sworn to before a notary public. See additional instructions in the Rules and Regulations of the Commission. igned and sworn to before a notary public. See additional instructions in the Rules and Regulations of the Commission. REPORT ON REPAIRING WELL REPORT ON PULLING OR OTHERWISE REPORT ON DEEPENING WELL Recovery of oil by processing October 20, 1947 Hobbs. New Mexico Date Place OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION. SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO. Gentlemen: Following is a report on the work done and the results obtained under the heading noted above **** AS Hardin-Houston __Well No._ Company or Operator Lease of Sec._ Field, _ The dates of this work were as follows: Notice of intention to do the work was (was not) submitted on Form C-102 on__ and approval of the proposed plan was (was not) obtained. (Cross out incorrect words.) DETAILED ACCOUNT OF WORK DONE AND RESULTS OBTAINED Operator is engaged to clean tank number 966 of the Texas-New Nextee Pinaline Company located at said company's Lynch Station, Lea County, New M ardin-Houston will process said tank bottom with portable steamer and ----- tonk hottome from said tank number J. B. Hardin Hardin-Houston Partner Name Title Company I hereby swear or affirm that the information given above 20th Subscribed and sworn before me this_ is true and correct. _{19.}47 October Name day of Partner Position Hardin-Houston Notary Public Representing Company or Operator My commission ex Box 102, Hobbs, New Mexico Address XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX Remarks: OCT 2 1 1947 Date.

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INSTRUCTIONS

This form shall be executed and filed in quadruplicate with the Oil Conservation Commission at Santa Fe, New Mexico, covering each unit from which oil is produced. A separate certificate shall be filed for each transporter authorized to transport oil from a unit. After said certificate has been approved by the Oil Conservation Commission, one copy shall be forwarded to the transporter, one copy returned to the producer, and two copies retained by the Oil Conservation Commission.

A new certificate shall be filed to cover each change in operating ownership and each change in the transporter, except that in the case of a temporary change in the transporter involving less than the allowable production for one month the operator shall in lieu of filing a new certificate, notify the Oil Conservation Commission at Santa Fe, New Mexico, and the transporter authorized by certificate on file with the Commission, by letter of the estimated amount of oil to be moved by the transporter temporarily moving oil from the unit and the name of such temporary transporter and a copy of such notice shall also be furnished such temporary transporter. Such temporary transporter shall not move any more oil than the estimated amount shown in said notice.

This certificate when properly executed and approved by the Oil Conservation Commission shall constitute a permit for pipe line connection and authorization to transport oil from the property named therein and shall remain in full force and effect until

- (a) Operating ownership changes
- (b) The transporter is changed or
- (c) The permit is cancelled by the Commission

If any of the rules and regulations of the Oil Conservation Commission have not been complied with at the same time this report is filed, explain fully under the heading "REMARKS."

In all cases where this certificate is filed to cover a change in operating ownership or a change in the transporter designated to move oil, show under "REMARKS" the previous owner or operator and the transporter previously authorized to transport oil.

A separate report shall be filed to cover each producing unit as designated by the Oil Conservation Commission.

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION STATE OF NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

The Oil Conservation Commission of New Mexico, pursuant to law, hereby gives public notice of the following hearings to be had at a special meeting of the Commission to be held September 17, 1947, beginning at 10:00 A.M. on said date at Santa Fe, New Mexico:

STATE OF NEW MEXICO TO:

All named parties in the following cases, and notice to the public:

Case 101

In the matter of the application of American Employers Insurance Company for an order directed to Frank Griggs, Lubbock, Texas, John Darden, Lubbock, Texas, and John H. Hawkins, Fort Sumner, New Mexico to show cause why a well located in the NEINE of Section 11, Township 4 North, Range 26 East, DeBaca County, New Mexico should not be declared abandoned and ordered plugged.

Case No. 109

In the matter of the application of Leonard Oil Co., Roswell, New Mexico for an order approving an unorthodox location for the Leonard State No. 6 well in the Wilnight of Section 28, Township 17 South, Range 29 East, Eddy County, New Mexico, the allocation of production to said described tract and unconditional approval of a C-110 for the well.

Case 110

In the matter of the application of Hardin-Houston, a partnership, Hobbs, New Mexico for a general order regulating tank cleaning, plants processing tank bottoms and recleaning of waste oil and transportation of tank bottoms and waste oil.

Given under the seal of the Oil Conservation Commission of New Mexico, at Santa Fe, New Mexico on August 29, 1947.

OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

BY: (SGD) R. R. SPURRIER

R. R. SFURRIER, Secretary
In the matter of application of G. B. Suppes to unitize the E/2
NE/4 of Section 33, Township 16 South, Range 31 East, N.MP.M.,
Eddy County, New Mexico and for approval of two unorthodox locations
thereon, (1) 330 ft. from the East line and 1270 ft. from the
North line of Section 33, (2) Located 990 ft. from the east line
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16 South, Range 31 East, N.M.P.M.

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REPORT OF LEA COUNTY OPERATORS SUB-COMMITTEE APPOINTED 10-6-47 TO MAKE A STUDY OF COMMISSION ORDER #726, CASE #104

The committee proposes to the operators the following statement to the Conservation Commission at the Hearing to be held in Santa Fe on October 15th, 1947.

The operators feel that certain modifications should be made in the order issued in the CASE #104. It is the feeling that no reasonably preventable waste exists. Present experience by 16 companies, representing 85.3% of total production, indicates that "substantial waste" and "great quantities" of waste does not exist from field gathering tanks and well completions.

It is desired to point out that a large percentage of these tank cleanings and pit oils are used to maintain lease roads, tank battery grades, well yards, etc., which maintenance, if this material were not available, would require greater expense to the operators, due to terrain conditions, and that every reasonable effort is being made by the majority of operators to reduce the frequency of tank cleaning and bottom accumulations, by use of Chemicals, treating systems, circulating pumps, etc.

In the second place, we believe that the Commission should include in any order with reference to the processing of tank bottoms or pits a provision that the net oil contained in the tank or pit as determined by A.P.I. method of testing, shall be

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In the third place, we recommend that any such order should apply only to persons engaged in the business of purchasing and treating tank bottoms and pit oil. To accomplish this purpose, we suggest the use of the following language:

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the provisions of this order shall not apply to the treating of tank bottoms on a lease where produced and the oil recovered therefrom is not disposed of except through a duly authorized transporter.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the provisions of this order shall not apply to the treating of tank bottoms at a pipe line station, crude oil storage terminal or refinery where the oil contained in the tank bottoms located at such stations, terminals or refineries is reported as a part of the inventory and tenderable balance of the owner or operator of such station, terminal or refinery, and where the treated oil is not disposed of except as a part of the regular deliveries of crude oil from said station, terminal or refinery.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the provisions of this order shall not apply to the transfer of tank bottoms from one tank to another tank located on the same lease, or located at the same pipe line station, tank farm or

terminal in the event there is no change in the custody or control of the tank bottom.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the provisions of this TREATING order shall not apply to the testing at a gasoline plant of oil and other catchings collected in traps and drips in the gas gathering lines connected to such plants and in scrubbers at such plants.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED BY THE COMMISSION that this docket be kept open for such other and further orders as may be necessary and appropriate in the premises.

RULE 1.

No treating plant, as defined in this Order, shall operate except in conformity with the following rules and regulations:

(A) Every person desiring to operate or cause to be operated a treating plant within the State of New Mexico under the terms of this Order shall, before he begins the construction thereof, apply to the Commission in writing for a permit. Such application shall state in detail the location, type and capacity of the plant contemplated and method of processing proposed to be used. The Commission shall set such application for a hearing in not less than twenty (20) days, and if satisfied that the proposed plant and method of processing will actually and efficiently process, treat and reclaim tank bottom emulsion and waste oil, and that there is a need for such a plant at the proposed location thereof, a permit will be granted authorizing the construction of such plant under the Commission's supervision.

No person or persons shall operate, or cause to be operated, a treating plant without having first applied for and obtained an operating permit from the Commission, and such permit will be granted only after the plans of the plant have been approved and applicant has filed and had approved his bond as hereinafter provided and upon a showing satisfactory to the Commission of the necessity thereof.

Such permit, when granted, shall be valid until revoked or abandoned, and shall be revocable at any time after hearing is had on ten (10) day's notice, the Commission finds:

- (1) The treating plant under which such permit related is so constructed, equipped or operated as not to reclaim and conserve tank bottom emulsion and waste oil:
- (2) The owner or operator of such treating plant in the construction or operations thereof, is violating any law of the State of New Mexico relating to the production, transportation, processing, refining, treating and marketing of crude oil or its products;
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- (B) The total amount of products secured from tank bottom emulsion and waste oil by treating plant processing tank bottom emulsion and waste oil operating in conformity with the provisions of this Order shall be entitled to a C-110.
- (C) That before actual operations are begun, the permittee shall file with this Commission a surety company bond payable to the Oil Conservation Commission and/or the State of New Mexico in the amount of \$25,000.00, conditioned upon faithful performance by the permittee of the provisions of this Order or of any further Order in this cause, observance of the applicable laws of the State of New Mexico and the rules and regulations heretofore or hereafter promulgated by the Commission in any wise applicable.
- (D) Any treating plant operating under these rules and regulations shall, on or before the 15th day of each calendar month, file at the nearest office of the Commission a monthly report on forms to be supplied by this Commission. Each such monthly report shall contain full and accurate information covering the following details of the business conducted by such reporting permittee during the preceding period. The report shall cover the period from 7:00 A.M.,

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RULE 3:

Nothing contained in this order-sold apply

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IT IS FURTHER ORDERED BY THE COMMISSION:

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LEA COUNTY OPERATORS COMMITTEE

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November 3, 1947

Oil Conservation Commission Santa Fe, New Mexico

Gentlemen:

As suggested in your letter of October 20, to Mr. Glenn Staley, Lea County Operators Committee, a committee representing the producers, pipeline companies, gasoline plant operators, refineries and petitioners, met on October 31. The following were present:

	New Mexico Asphalt & Ref.	Artesia
W. D. Girand, Jr.	Meal & Girand	Hobbs
F. B. Whitaker, Jr.	Texas New Mexico Pipe Line	Midland
Walter Famarris, Jr.		Hobbs
Raymond F. Miller	Grayburg Oil Co. of N. M.	Artesia
M. C. Brunner (Chr.)	Shell Oil Company	Hobbs
W. L. Phillips	Phillips Petr. Co.	
	(Gasoline Dept.)	Ode ssa
H. R. Markley	11 19 19	Ħ
Roy Yarbrough	Oil Conservation Commission	Hobbs
Glenn Staley	Lea County Operators	11

The suggested rules and regulations covering the operating of reclamation plants were discussed and we are attaching for your consideration and approval the rules as unanimously agreed upon by the committee.

The question of charging the salvaged oil to the unit or lease allowable was fully discussed and it was agreed upon that charging it to the allowable was impractical, because of the clerical and royalty accounting work required, for the extremely small amount of oil involved.

In the opinion of the committee the proposed order submitted herewith sets up sufficient rules and regulations adequate to protect the State and the producers from the running of illegal oil.

It is the opinion of the committee in the tender of this proposed general Order that the adoption hereof will assist in the future conservation of petroleum in the State of New Mexico, and will encourage reclamation of this waste product.

Respectfully submitted,

M. C. Brunner, Chairman

MCB;gi Enc. P. O. Box 871 November 5, 1947

Neal & Girand P. O. Box 814 Hobbs, New Mexico

RE: In the Matter of the Application of J. B. Hardin and Earl Hardin, dba/ Hardin-Houston, Case No. 110.

Gentlemen:

This acknowledges receipt of your letter of November 3 in the matter of the Hardin-Houston order comparable to the Famariss order.

As of this date the committee recently appointed by the Commission has not filed its proposed rules in the Commission office. Therefore, since it may be necessary to make some changes in the Famariss order, it is thought best to take no action toward drafting the Hardin-Houston order in Case No. 110 until the Commission shall have considered and acted upon the report of the committee.

Yours very truly,

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GEORGE GRAHAM

NEAL & GIRAND LAWYERS NEAL BUILDING HOBBS, NEW MEXICO

November 3, 1947

Oil Conservation Commission, Santa Fe. New Mexico.

Attention: Mr. R. R. Spurrier.

In the Matter of the Application of J. B. Hardin and Earl Hardin,

dba/Hardin-Houston, Case No. 110.

Gentlemen:

The above applicants are now operating under letter authority from the Commission dated September 18, 1947, and now desire that the Commission enter an order patterned after the order in Case No. 104, being order No. 726 and known as the Walter Famariss, Jr. Order.

You no doubt recall that prior to the hearing on October 15, 1947, Hardin-Houston amended its application by letter dated October 4, 1947, in which said application, insofar as it differed from the Walter Famariss, Jr. application, was amended so as to seek the same rights granted Walter Famariss, Jr.

At the hearing on October 15th, no objection was raised as to the granting of the permit to Hardin-Houston such as was granted to Walter Famariss, Jr, being Order No. 726. The entire question before the Commission was the adoption of general rules and regulations governing the proposed operation of both Famariss and Hardin-Houston.

The committee appointed by the Oil Conservation Commission has met and agreed upon rules and regulations which, in the minds of the committee, would suitably regulate the proposed industry. The committee has filed its written report recommending the adoption of the rules submitted. Subject to the adoption of these rules, there is nothing further for either applicant to do; however,

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Hardin-Houston is still without a general order authorizing them to operate.

I would appreciate it very much if, at your convenience, you would see that the order was entered and furnish us with a copy thereof.

With kindest personal regards, I am

Yours very truly,

NEAL & GIRAND

BY:

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Company or Operator ___

OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION STATE OF NEW MEXICO

Hardin-Houston

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INSTRUCTIONS

This form shall be executed and filed in quadruplicate with the Oil Conservation Commission at Santa Fe, New Mexico, covering each unit from which oil is produced. A separate certificate shall be filed for each transporter authorized to transport oil from a unit. After said certificate has been approved by the Oil Conservation Commission, one copy shall be forwarded to the transporter, one copy returned to the producer, and two copies retained by the Oil Conservation Commission.

A new certificate shall be filed to cover each change in operating ownership and each change in the transporter, except that in the case of a temporary change in the transporter involving less than the allowable production for one month the operator shall in lieu of filing a new certificate, notify the Oil Conservation Commission at Santa Fe, New Mexico, and the transporter authorized by certificate on file with the Commission, by letter of the estimated amount of oil to be moved by the transporter temporarily moving oil from the unit and the name of such temporary transporter and a copy of such notice shall also be furnished such temporary transporter. Such temporary transporter shall not move any more oil than the estimated amount shown in said notice.

This certificate when properly executed and approved by the Oil Conservation Commission shall constitute a permit for pipe line connection and authorization to transport oil from the property named therein and shall remain in full force and effect until

(a) Operating ownership changes

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- (b) The transporter is changed or
- (c) The permit is cancelled by the Commission

If any of the rules and regulations of the Oil Conservation Commission have not been complied with at the same time this report is filed, explain fully under the heading "REMARKS."

In all cases where this certificate is filed to cover a change in operating ownership or a change in the transporter designated to move oil, show under "REMARKS" the previous owner or operator and the transporter previously authorized to transport oil.

A separate report shall be filed to cover each producing unit as designated by the Oil Conservation Commission.

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CONSERVATION COMMITION

Santa Fe, New Mexico

MISCELLANEOUS REPORTS ON WELLS

Sumbit this report in triplicate to the Oil Conservation Commission or its proper agent within ten days after the work specified is completed. It should be signed and sworn to before a notary public for reports on beginning drilling operations, results of shooting well, results of test of casing shut off, result of plugging of well, and other important operations, even though the work was witnessed by an agent of the Commission. Reports on minor operations need not be signed and sworn to before a notary public. See additional instructions in the Rules and Regulations of the Commission.

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PETROLITE CORPORATION, IATD.
WAN DIVISION
BOX 390
HILGORE, TEXAS

August 14, 1947

Hardin-Houston Company Hobbs, New Mexico

Attention: Mr. Hardin

Gentlemen:

This is to confirm our telephone conversation as of last night and pertaining to the shipment of tank bottoms from yourself at Jal; New Mexico to us at Kilgore.

For tank bottoms comparable to your samples Nos. 5 and 4 dated August 3, 1947, we will pay you \$1.75 per barrel loaded into our tank cars at Jal, New Mexico and to be shipped collect to us at Kilgore. This price is based on the material being treated down and not exceeding 5% water determined by water distillation method. If the material contains above 5% water, this percentage is to be deducted from your price of \$1.75 and should the price be reduced by this method to as low as \$1.50 to you, it would certainly be an unprofitable operation to us and probably to you as well, since the freight cost on water would be excessive.

As previously explained, we have never manufactured any wax from this type of raw material, and basedon findings through our laboratory it will be satisfactory, but should we eventually run into trouble through the plant we reserve the right to terminate this agreement. A water check will be made on each car and a wax analysis will be run on every third car and will keep you advised.

understanding and look forward to future business relations with your company.

Very truly yours,

PETROLITE CORPORATION, LTD.

BY /S/ J. L. Tune
J. L. Tune

PETROLITE CORPORATION, LTD.
WAX DIVISION
BOX 390
KILLORU, TEXAS

August 15, 1947

Mr. Mardin Mardin-Houston Company Mobbs. New Mexico

Dear Mr. Hardin:

I have talked with the Railroad Commission here in Kilgore and they require a copy of the New Mexico tender or whatever authority they issue on crude shipments into Texas. Ifyyou can furnish us this information we will be ready to go so far the Commission is concerned. Also for our information we will need a collect wire from you giving us the number of each car shipped same day car moves. The following cars were shipped you yesterday:

GATX 9597, GATX 21251, GATX 12961, & GATX 27312

Pour more cars will be shipped Monday.

We are enclosing bill of lading to be used when you ship these cars back to us. Mail us one signed copy, retain one for your files, and one for the Railrodd. Please fillin date shipment is made also authority for shipment as authorized by New Mexico Conservation Committee.

Very truly yours,

PETROLITE COMPORATION, LAD.

EY J. L. TUME /S/ J. L. Tume

JLT: MAD Enclosures. TEXAS-NEW MEXICO PIPE LINE COMPANY Jal, New Mexico - August 19, 1947

To: Hardin Houston Gompany Hobbs, New Mexico

from our property near Jal, New Mexico, and to make distributions you desire to make to make of approximately 20,000 barrels of Dasic Sediment, removed from Texas-New Mexico Pipe Line Company Tanks #1108, and #1109, and approximately 6,500 barrels of Basic Sediment to be removed from Tank #1065.

Very truly yours,

/3/ F. B. Whitaker, Jr.

Mr. F. B. Whitaker, Jr.

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ROSWELL, NEW MEXICO

OUR LEGAL NO. 4888 STATE OF NEW MEXICO. County of Chaves: béing duly sworn deposes and says: THAT he is the Publisher of the Roswell Morning Dispatch, a newspaper of general paid circulation, published daily in the English language in Roswell, Chaves County, New Mexico: THAT said newspaper is duly qualified in the purpose of publishing all legal notices and advertising required by law or by order of any Court of Record in the State of New Mexico to be published in a newspaper of said THAT a legal notice was published in said newspaper in the regular issue thereof and not in any supplement, a true copy of which is attached hereto, the same being: Til Panserution Commission That said notice was published in The Roswell Morning Dispatch as follows: _____ consecutive (days) (weeks) on the following dates: estember, 4, 154) Publisher STATE OF NEW MEXICO, County of Chaves: Subscribed and sworn to before me this & th Notary Public Chaves County, New Mexico My Commission Expires 7 - 2 - 7 7

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