BEFORE THE OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO

IN THE MATTER OF APPLICATION OF ROSS SEARS FOR ORDER GRANTING PERMISSION TO DRILL UNORTHODOX LOCATION DESIGNATED AS WELL NO. 5 ON HIS MILLER LEASE, DESCRIBED AS SW/4 OF SECTION 26, TOWNSHIP 17 SOUTH, RANGE 32 EAST, N.M.P.M., IN THE MALJAMAR FIELD OF LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

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APPLICATION

Ross Sears, applicant herein, is a resident of Artesia, New Mexico, and in connection herewith respectfully shows to the Commission:

1. That applicant is the operator and part owner of Federal Oil and Gas Lease Las Cruces Serial No. 058699, insofar as said lease covers the following described land, situated in Lea County, State of New Mexico, to-wit:

> SW/4 of Section 26, Township 17 South, Range 32 East, N.M.P.M.

2. That there have been drilled on said tract of land hereinabove described, a total of four wells and at the present time three of said wells are producing; that the fourth well, located in the Southeast forty acres of the SW/4 of Section 26, was completed as a dry hole and has been plugged and abandoned. That each of the producing wells on said tract are located in what is known as the Maljamar Pool of Lea County, New Mexico, and all of said producing wells are producing from what is known as the Maljamar Pay encountered at an approximate depth of 4,000 feet.

3. That applicant, upon the basis of geological information, is advised and is of the opinion and belief that a well drilled on the tract of land hereinabove described, to be located 1370 feet East of the West Line and 1295 feet North of the South Line of said Section 26, to the Maljamar Pay, when completed, would be capable of producing a substantial quantity of oil; that said location is shown on the map attached hereto, marked Exhibit "A" and by reference made a part hereof, and that the drilling of such location would be in the interest of conservation and prevent waste, in that the drilling of said well would enable applicant to recover a substantial quantity of oil which would not otherwise be recovered.

4. That applicant desires to drill one additional well on this 160 acre tract, numbered and located as follows:

MILLER NO. 5: In the SE/4 SW/4 of Section 26, Township 17 South, Range 32 East, N.M. P.M., to be located 1295 feet North of the South Line and 1370 feet East of the West Line of said Section 26,

the location of such well being shown on the map attached hereto, marked Exhibit "A".

5. That in the event permit is granted applicant to drill said well, upon completion of the same as a producing well, that the Oil Conservation Commission fix a daily allowable for the forty acre unit upon

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which said well is located.

WHEREFORE, applicant prays that he be granted permission to drill said well at the location hereinabove described and shown on map attached hereto, marked Exhibit "A"; that the Commission set a date for hearing upon this Application, in accordance with its rules and regulations, and that upon presentation of this Application that an Order be entered granting permission to applicant to drill said well.

COCHRAN & SIEGENTHALER

By Attorneys for applicant

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Notary Public

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF EDDY

John E. Cochran, Jr., being first duly sworn upon his oath deposes and states: That he is one of the attorneys for the applicant in the above and foregoing application and that he has read the same and from personal knowledge knows the matters therein contained to be true and correct, except such statements as are alleged upon information and belief, and as to those, he verily believes them to be true; that this verification is made by him on behalf of Ross Sears.

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Gay of June, 1948.

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My commission expires: April 15, 1950