W. W. PORTS GEOLOGIST—GEOLOGICAL ENGINEER

ARTESIA, NEW MEXICO

April 15, 1949.

Mr. Dick Spurrier, Oil Conservation Commission, Santa Fe, New Mexico.

Dear Sir;

On October 15, 1948, upon the request of Mr. V. S. Welch, a survey was made to verify a location previously made. The location was for the proposed Redlake Oil Co.-Williams, 3-B, NE₄SW₄NE₄, Sec. 29, Tl7S., R28E., Eddy Co.

The survey was started at the U.S.G.L.O.S. iron stake marking the common corner between Sec. 28 and Sec. 29, at the so called "quarter corner". The survey was extended North a distance of 990', thence West a distance of 1650'. The distances were measured to the proposed location, which was subsequently drilled, and it was found to be 70' East and 37' South of the surveyed location. Deductions were made from the measured distances and a certified plat was prepared showing the corrected distances to the location drilled. This location was also, using standard dimentional figures for a section, 1687' from the North line and 1580' from the East line.

As the drilled location was considered unorthodox, a resurvey was made on April 4, 1949, using the North "quarter corner# of Section 29 as a starting point. Due to the rain cold and snow that day, the distance East from the North corner stake was all that was measured. It was found that the then drilled well was 1001' from the North/South center line of the Section 29, or 11' too far East. With this calculation, the well appears to be 11' East and 37' South of the desired location.

Hoping this will clerify this matter, I am

Yours very truly,

W. W. Ports.

LEA COUNTY OPERATORS COMMITTEE

DRAWER I

HOBBS, NEW MEXICO

January 21, 1949

Mr. R. R. Spurrier Director Santa Fe, New Mexico

(5002)

Dear Mr. Spurrier:

Acting upon the request of Mr. R. E. Canfield of the U. S. G. S., we wrote a letter to the Artesia Pipe Line Company on January 13, 1949, cancelling the January allowable for the Red Lake Oil Company's / Williams "B" #2-G, 29-17-28, Red Lake Pool, for the reason that it was an unorthodox location that had not been approved by the Oil Conservation Commission. We sent a copy of this letter along with a copy of Mr. Canfield's letter to you.

In the transporter's reply to our letter it is stated that they have authorization to run oil until such time as the requirements set out in the U. S. G. S. letter have been met. We are inclosing a copy of their reply and since this is a regulatory matter we are referring it to you for handling.

Yours very truly,

ALP/mm

Encl.

cc: Red Lake Oil Company New Mexico Asphalt & Refining Co.

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NEW MEXICO ASPHALT & REFINING COMPANY P. O. BOX 367 Artesia, New Mexico

January 17, 1949

Mr. Glenn Staley
Lea County Operators Committee
Drawer Eye
Hobbs, New Mexico

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter of January 13, 1949, cancelling the January allowable for the Red Lake Oil Company's Williams #2-G, 29-17-28, Red Lake Pool.

This is to advise that we have on file proper authorization to run oil from this well, signed by R. R. Spurraer, until such time as the requirements set out in the U. S. G. S. letter of January 11, 1949 have been met.

Trusting/that these facts will meet your approval, we are

yery truly yours,

NEW MEXICO ASPHALT & REFINING CO.

OH CONSERVATION COMMISSION

/s/ Max G. Schulze, Jr.
Crude Purchases Division

MGS/

cc: Mr. Van S. Welch Red Lake Oil Company Artesia, New Mexico



January 15, 1949

Artesia Pipe Line Company Bem 367 Artesia, New Mexico

Sentlemen:

In accordance with a letter from the Department of Interior under date of Jermany 11, 1949, a copy of which is enclosed, we are, hereby, cancelling the Jermany allorable for the Red Lake Gil Company's Williams B #8-G, 29-17-28, Red Lake Peol.

The above listed well will be withheld from the prorution schedule until such time as we are mitified by the GLI Commercation Consission that the requirements as set out in the enclosed letter have been met by the operator.

Yours very truly,

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es: Red Lake Oil Company
Oil Commercation Commission
Federal Petroleum Heard
Hr. R. E. Camfield, U. S. G. S., Rossell, N. K.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR Geological Survey

P. O. Bex 997 Roswell, New Mexico January 11, 1949



Red Lake Oil Company P. O. Box 1056 Artesia, New Mexico

Res Las Cruces 046250 (b)

Gentlemens

Records in this office indicate that your well No. 2-B on subject lease in Sec. 29, T. 17 S., R. 28 E. is an unorthodox location being only 260 feet west of a 40 acre subdivision line.

Section 1 (a) of Order No. 687, Statewide Proration Order, reads in part: "No well shall be drilled closer to any unit boundary line than 330 feet or less than 660 feet from any other well except on petition, notice and hearing as previded by how, provided such an unorthodox well location will create neither waste nor hazards conducive to waste."

Accordingly, it is requested that you do not produce your well No. 2-B until you have petitioned the "Cil Conservation Commission" and obtained approval for this unorthodox well location.

Very truly yours,

(Orig. Sgd.) R. E. Canfield Acting Supervisor, Oil and Gas Operations.

PTM: jw cc: Mr. Glem Staley Artesia

Mr. Glenn Staleys

It is requested that you withhold allowable for this well on proration schedule until such time as unorthodox location is approved by Oll Conservation Commission.

(Sgd.) R. E. C.

January 10, 1949

Mr. Van S. Welch Booker Building Artesia, New Mexico

Dear Van:

This letter is written following the telephone conversation we had some two weeks ago, about an unorthodox location which you have in the Artesia pool.

The New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission rules and regulations say: "No well shall be spaced closer than 330 feet to the unit boundary". It is also mentioned in these rules and regulations that a hearing may be held for an unorthodox location and the location thereby permitted.

The same rules and regulations and the statutes do not give me the authority to permit the drilling, completion or producing or production of any unorthodox location. The rules and regulations say, and I think it was intended by the men who wrote them, that no one member of the Commission should have the authority to permit or refuse unorthodox or other locations.

The U.S.G.S. through their supervisor, Mr. Morrell, may permit such locations. Since this well is on Federal land, and you say they have given you permission, then you have every right to feel that you are cleared with them. We do, however, realize that their rules and regulations say that they shall, whenever possible, follow the State rules and regulations. We have always felt that the State rules should be followed within the State borders, and I doubt very much if we should attempt to condone the authority which the U.S.G.S. already assumed. The only way in which your location can be legalised is for you to come before the Commission for a hearing.

In the meantime we understand that Mr. Hewman has signed the C-110, in order that you may transport oil from this well and not be unduly inconvenienced.

Very truly yours,

R. R. Spurrier Secretary and Director

RRS: bw

og: Mr. Newman

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