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SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

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In the Matter of:

Gulf Oil Corporation's Application for Order  
communitizing for development, production  
and proration purposes Lot 3 (7.22 acres)  
with NE/4 SW/4, and Lot 4 (7.20 acres) with  
SE/4 SW/4, all in 28-24S-38E, N.M.P.M., in  
immediate vicinity of West Dollarhide Pool.

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(Notice of Publication read by MR. GRAHAM.)

(Marked Exhibits 1, 2 and 3 for Identification.)

D O N   W A L K E R

having been first duly sworn, testified as follows:

DIRECT EXAMINATION

By MR. CAMPBELL:

Q State your name, please.

A Don Walker.

Q By whom are you employed?

A Gulf Oil Corporation.

Q Where?

A Fort Worth, Texas.

Q What is your capacity with that company?

A I am a petroleum engineer.

Q In connection with your employment with Gulf Oil Corpora-

tion, are you acquainted with the application of Gulf for the approval of the two communitization agreements near the Dollarhide field in Lea County, New Mexico?

A Yes, sir.

Q I hand you what has been marked Exhibit 1, and ask you to state what that is.

A This is an area plat showing a portion of our Gulf Oil Corporation W.E. Ramsey lease in the West Dollarhide area, Lea County, New Mexico.

Q I will hand you Exhibit 2 and ask you to state what that is.

A This is a plat of the other side of the state line, a portion of Andrews County, which also shows the adjoining W. E. Ramsey Lease in the West Dollarhide area.

Q I hand you Exhibit 3 and ask you to state what that is.

A We have entitled this a Unit Plat accompanying Case 474, which shows the two units which we propose to pool in the agreement.

Q Have the owners of the working interests in the Federal leases adjoining the 40-acre tracts which you are seeking to pool, agreed to this communitization?

A Yes, sir.

MR. CAMPBELL: If the Commission please, this is an application similar to one which was previously granted and involves the communitization of two small Federal tracts on state land comprising approximately 7 acres with state tracts of 40 acres owned by Gulf. For the purpose of making it possible to attribute production to the seven-acre tracts, we have considered it

necessary in order to obtain the allowable equivalent to forty, seven-fortieths of the additional acre allowable to obtain permission of the Commission. The circumstances in the order are the same as this Commission previously granted in the Snowden communication agreement in this same area. I have nothing further unless the commission does.

MR. SPURRIER: Is there a question of the witness?

MR. GRAHAM: What is the attitude of the United States officials?

MR. CAMPBELL: I might say, I don't know if this witness knows. I might say, that the Government has approved the procedure. The last one that we had was the first occasion that we had to seek approval. There is some technical matters that are being worked out with reference to the distribution of the allowable which is obtained from this Commission. They approved it as a matter of fact because of the small size of the Federal tracts. It is about the only way they can obtain any development.

MR. SPURRIER: The witness may be excused. Anything further in this case.

MR. CAMPBELL: At this time I would like to offer Exhibits 1, 2 and 3 in evidence.

MR. SPURRIER: Without objection they will be received. The case will be taken under advisement and we will go to case 488.

STATE OF NEW MEXICO        )  
COUNTY OF BERNALILLO    )SS.

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing and attached transcript of hearing in Case No. 474, before the Oil Conservation Commission, State of New Mexico, at Santa Fe, on February 17, 1953, is a true and correct record of the same to the best of my knowledge, skill and ability.

DATED at Albuquerque, New Mexico this 24th day of February, 1953.

  
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