

BEFORE THE OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION  
OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION )  
OF F. B. UMBARGER FOR AN EXCEPTION )  
TO COMMISSION RULE 104(d) (PROVIDING )  
FOR ACREAGE REQUIREMENTS FOR DRILLING )  
TRACTS) IN THE SOUTHEAST QUARTER OF )  
SECTION SIXTEEN, TOWNSHIP TWENTY-NINE )  
NORTH, RANGE ELEVEN WEST, IN SAN JUAN )  
COUNTY, NEW MEXICO. )

No. 547

A P P L I C A T I O N

Comes now F. B. Umbarger, and states:

I.

This application effects lands in San Juan County, New Mexico,  
described as follows:

Township 29 North, Range 11 West, N.M.P.M.  
The Southeast quarter (SE $\frac{1}{4}$ ) of Section  
Sixteen (16), which said quarter section  
is located in the Fulcher Kutz - Pictured  
Cliffs Pool.

II.

That applicant is the assignee of Stanolind Oil and Gas  
Company of oil and gas leases upon the above described property,  
excepting the Northwest quarter (NW $\frac{1}{4}$ ) of the Southeast quarter (SE $\frac{1}{4}$ )  
of said Section sixteen (16), said tract containing approximately  
40 acres.

III.

According to the tract books of the State Land Office said  
Northwest quarter (NW $\frac{1}{4}$ ) of the Southwest quarter (SW $\frac{1}{4}$ ) of said Section  
sixteen (16) is open acreage belonging to the State of New Mexico.

IV.

That the lease of which Applicant is an assignee in said Southeast quarter (SE $\frac{1}{4}$ ) of Section sixteen (16) will expire on June 23, 1953, if drilling is not commenced upon said Southeast quarter of Section sixteen by that date.

V.

That Applicant does not believe that a lease of the Northwest quarter (NW $\frac{1}{4}$ ) of the Southeast quarter (SE $\frac{1}{4}$ ) of said section sixteen (16) can be secured in time to extend and preserve his lease by the commencement of drilling operations.

WHEREFORE Applicant respectfully requests that the Commission set this application for hearing, that due and proper notice be given as is required by law, and that at the conclusion of said hearing the Commission enter its Order permitting Applicant to drill a gas well in said Southeast quarter (SE $\frac{1}{4}$ ) of Section sixteen (16) as an exception to rule 104(d) of the Rules and Regulations of the New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission, and that Applicant have such other further relief as may be proper.

Dated this 28th day of May, 1953.

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