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 NORTHEAST QUARTER OF SECTION TWENTY-SIX, TOWNSHIP THIRTY NORTH, RANGE TWELVE WEST, IN SAN JUAN COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

No. 550

APPLICATION

Comes now F. B. Umbarger, and states:

I.

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

Township 30 North, Range 12 West, N.M.P.M. The Northeast quarter (NE¹/₄) of Section Twenty-six (26), 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 a tract $2\frac{1}{2}$ rods wide and 580 feet long in the northeast corner of said quarter section, said tract containing approximately one-half acre.

III.

According to the information and belief of the applicant one Bessie Jones (Mrs. Clyde W. Jones) is the owner of said one-half acretract.

Applicant has made every effort and tried to the best of his ability to locate said Bessie Jones so as to get her cooperation in forming a 160 acre drilling tract, but after due search and inquiry has been unable to locate her.

V.

That one of the leases of which applicant is an assignee is a lease of the Northwest quarter (MW1) of the Northeast quarter (NE1) of Section Twenty-six, township 30 North, Range twelve West, which said lease will expire June 25, 1953, if drilling is not commenced by that date in the quarter section of which it is a part.

VI.

That applicant can not be certain that he will be able to locate said Bessie Jones prior to June 25, 1953 and secure a lease from her of said one-half acre tract, or secure her participation in drilling upon said Northeast quarter of Section twenty-six.

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 Northeast quarter of Section twenty-six as an exception to rule 10h(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.

Catron & Catron Attorneys for Applicant Santa Fe, New Mexico

By Shomes B. Baken
Thomas B. Catron