SUBJECT: STORAGE OF LIQUEFIED PETROLEUM GAS

APPLICATION OF EL PASO NATURAL GAS COMPANY FOR PERMISSION TO DRILL ITS LPG WELL NO. 1, NE/4 SECTION 16, TOWNSHIP 15 NORTH, RANGE 17 WEST, NMPM, McKINLEY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, FOR THE STORAGE OF LIQUEFIED PETROLEUM GAS. Order No. LPG-4 (Ref. Case 597)

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER OF THE OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Under the provisions of Order No. R-313 in Case 523, and Rule 705 of the Commission's Rules and Regulations established thereunder, El Paso Natural Gas Company made application to the Commission on September 14, 1953, for authority to drill as an LPG storage well its LPG Well No. 1, to be located 702 feet from the north line and 1200 feet from the east line of Section 16, Township 15 North, Range 17 West, NMPM, McKinley County, New Mexico, and

The Secretary - Director Finds:

- (1) That application has been duly filed in proper form under the provisions of Rule 705;
- (2) That satisfactory information has been provided that all operators of offset acreage within a one-half mile radius of the proposed well have been notified of the operator's intention; and
- (3) That the Commission has been assured that any objection made to such operation has been waived (through presentation of testimony in Case No. 597 heard by the Commission on October 15, 1953).

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

That the applicant herein, El Paso Natural Gas Company be and it hereby is authorized to complete its LPG Storage Well No. 1, NE/4 Section 16, Township 15 North, Range 17 West, NMPM, McKinley County, New Mexico, as a well for the storage of liquefied petroleum gas;

That the effectiveness of this order is conditional upon the following stipulations:

- (1) That subject well be drilled to an approximate depth of 800 feet in the Chinle formation, which will then be cored from 300 to 800' to determine its susceptibility to washing actions for enlargement of a storage cavity therein.
- (2) That casing of the proper size and weight be cemented at an approximate depth of 300', in compliance with casing program set forth by operator on Form C-101 (Notice of Intention to Drill).

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No part of this order shall be construed as relieving El Paso Natural Gas Company from liability to any person, form or corporation as a result of the drilling or operation of such storage project.

By authority granted under provisions of Rule 705 of the Commission's Rules and Regulations, this order is issued and approved this 19th day of October 1953.

STATE OF NEW MEXICO
OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

R. R. SPURRIER, Secretary-Director

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File Case 597

After hearing of October 15, this case (objection having been waived) reverted to status as application for approval of an LPG storage well under Rule 705.

Please check file on Order LPG-4, dated October 19, 1953.