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NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION COMM,ATTN R R SPURRIER=  
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RE CASE 601 APPLICATION OF STANOLIND OIL AND GAS COMPANY FOR  
CERTAIN FIELD RULES IN AREA OF STATE "AB" WELL NO. 1,  
SECTION 29, T-17-S, R-28-E, EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.  
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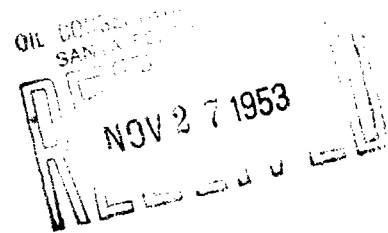
THE COMPANY WILL APPRECIATE SUGGESTIONS FROM ITS PATRONS CONCERNING ITS SERVICE

DELHI OIL CORPORATION

CORRIGAN TOWER

DALLAS 1, TEXAS

November 24, 1953



Oil Conservation Commission  
Santa Fe, New Mexico

Attention: Mr. R. R. Spurrier, Secretary

Re: Case No. 601, Special Hearing  
October 28, 1953

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Very truly yours,

DELHI OIL CORPORATION

*Aaron L. Colvin*  
By

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Land Department

ALC/ms

cc-Mr. Bill Macey

February 8, 1954  
Stanolind Oil and Gas Company  
P. O. Box 899  
Roswell, New Mexico

Attention: Mr. Wayne Blankenship

Re: Drilling Units - Empire Pennsylvanian  
Gas Pool, Eddy County, New Mexico

Gentlemen:

This letter will confirm telephone conversation between your Mr. Blankenship and the writer under date of February 3, advising of Stanolind's unwillingness to meet with representatives of our companies and go over geological data and agree upon more than one drilling unit for this particular area.

Upon completion of the hearing before the Commission in Santa Fe wherein the Commission granted the proration order requested by you against our objections, you called the writer requesting that we join you in a unit covering the S/2 of Section 29 and advised by letter that same date that communitization agreement and operating agreement were being drawn at that time. You were advised that (1) we had never received a copy of the Commission's order, and (2) there had never been any discussions or request for discussions as to whether or not the unit around your well should cover the S/2 or the E/2 of the section.

During the above referred to conversation, suggestion was made that we hold the joint meeting and plan not only a unit around your well but a unit around the San Juan-Delhi well and other locations.

It seems to the writer that under the Commission ruling, units in this area are now more or less joint ventures due to Delhi and San Juan acreage ownership in practically all sections included in the pool outline and each well drilled will more or less be on a joint venture basis; and it is our understanding that if either party desires to form a unit and the other does not, recourse can be made to the Commission for relief.

As the matter now stands, we have no objection to voluntary joining units in which we can be assured of adequate protection but we have not been given the opportunity of voluntarily joining a unit covering the E/2 of Section 29 but have been requested to join in only the S/2 of 29. We do not know the attitude of the Commission in situations of this kind where a party is willing to join a unit around a well but desires some consideration in the manner the unit is formed.

Inasmuch as there is usually difference of opinion in situations of this kind, we still believe a joint meeting for the purpose of agreeing to not one unit but several units would have been a logical approach to this situation.

Very truly yours,  
DELHI OIL CORPORATION

By   
Aaron L. Colvin

OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

P. O. BOX 871

SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

March 23, 1954

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Mr. C F Bedford  
Stanolind Oil and Gas Company  
Oil and Gas Building  
Fort Worth, Texas

Dear Mr. Bedford:

This is in reply to your letter of February 27 relating to Order No. R-391, your Proration File No. 174.

The only way which we can clarify Order No. R-391 is to say that the vertical interval of 2,780' from the top of the Pennsylvanian at 7,790' to the top of the Mississippian at 10,570' cannot be considered, nor completed, nor produced as one common reservoir and the actual producing intervals within that 2,780' must be cased and completed and produced as the separate reservoirs, which they actually are.

Very truly yours,

R. R. SPURRIER  
Secretary and Director

RRS:vc

# STANOLIND OIL AND GAS COMPANY

OIL AND GAS BUILDING

FORT WORTH, TEXAS

February 16, 1954

RE: Case No. 601  
Order No. R-391  
Eddy County, New Mexico  
Our Production File No. 174

OIL CONSERVATION

FEB 27 1954

Oil Conservation Commission  
State of New Mexico  
Santa Fe, New Mexico

Attention: Mr. R. R. Spurrier, Secretary

Gentlemen:

By temporary order of the Oil Conservation Commission, dated November 25, 1953, special pool rules for the Empire-Pennsylvanian Gas Pool were established, said order having been issued as a result of the discovery of gas in the State "AB" well of Stanolind Oil and Gas Company located 1980 feet from the South and East lines of Section 29, Township-17-South, Range-28-East, N.M.P.M., Eddy County, New Mexico.

In the hearing before the Oil Conservation Commission held on October 28, 1953, there was presented as a part of the testimony, the electric log taken in said well of Stanolind Oil and Gas Company, upon which log the top of the Pennsylvanian formation was shown at 7790 feet, and the top of the Mississippian formation was shown at 10,570 feet. Inasmuch as the order of November 25, 1953, does not specifically set forth the limits of the Empire-Pennsylvanian formation, we shall appreciate very much your clarifying the order as covering and applying to the formation encountered in the State "AB" well between a depth of 7790 feet and 10,570 feet, as shown on the electric log introduced in evidence in the hearing on October 28, 1953.

Your early attention to this matter will be greatly appreciated.

Very truly yours,

STANOLIND OIL AND GAS COMPANY

By *C. F. Zerk*  
Attorney in Fact



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cc: Malco Refineries, Inc.  
P. O. Box 660  
Roswell, New Mexico

Resler Oil Company  
Carper Building  
Artesia, New Mexico

Yates Brothers  
Carper Building  
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*Case 651*

# STANOLIND OIL AND GAS COMPANY

OIL AND GAS BUILDING

FORT WORTH, TEXAS

C. F. BEDFORD

DIVISION PRODUCTION SUPERINTENDENT

October 8, 1953

File: RGH-4104-175

Subject: Request for Hearing

New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission  
Santa Fe  
New Mexico

ATTENTION: Mr. R. R. Spurrier

Gentlemen:

We are transmitting herewith the application of Stanolind Oil and Gas Company for a hearing to consider the adoption of rules governing the development of the area in the vicinity of Stanolind's State "AB" well No. 1, 1980 feet from the south line and 1980 feet from the east line, of section 29, Township 17 South, Range 28 East, Eddy County, New Mexico.

It is requested that this matter be set for hearing on October 28, 1953.

Yours very truly,

*C. F. Bedford*  
C. F. BEDFORD

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