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TRANSCRIPT OF HEARING

(Notice of Publication read.)

MR. THARP: If it pleases the Commission, I would like to consolidate 657 and 658 in as much as they involve the same well and the same acreage for an unorthodox gas unit.

MR. SPURRIER: Is there objection? If not, you may proceed.

MR. THARP: My name is J. M. Tharp, division engineer for Tide Water Associated Oil Company in Houston. I would like to offer the Commission copies of Exhibit A for reference. "Tide Water Associated Oil Company is the lessee of 160 acres designated as their State "S" consisting in part of the N/2 of the N/2 of Sec. 15, T 21 S, R 37 E, Lea County, New Mexico, of which the State of New Mexico is the lessor. Tide Water is making application to the Commission for approval of unorthodox gas units in both the Tubb and Blinebry gas pools consisting of this acreage. Tide Water drilled and completed a Drinkard Oil Zone producer in the NE/4 of the NW/4 of Sec 15 on November 8, 1948. The Blinebry gas zone was encountered at an approximate depth of 5585'-5720' and the Tubb gas zone at an approximate depth of 6115'-6270.

By March 1953 the oil production from the Drinkard had declined to 7 bbls. per day which was about the economic limit. Application was made to the Conservation Commission on March 17, 1953, to plug the Drinkard Oil Zone and recomplete the well as a dual gas-gas producer from the Blinebry and Tubb Zones. This application was approved by the Commission by order # R-307 on March 31, 1953. The dual completion was made in accordance with the order on May 4, 1953, and gas sales from both zones to El Paso Natural Gas was commenced on August 7, 1953. In accordance with Orders # R-373-A and #R-372-A setting up the proration of gas from the Tubb and Blinebry Pools, each of these zones were assigned an

80-acre gas allowable effective January 1, 1954.

Cities Service Oil Corporation has made a dual Drinkard Oil-Blinebry gas completion of their State "S" #1 and a dual Drinkard Oil-Tubb gas completion of their State "S" #2. Both of these wells are located in the S/2 of the NW/4 of Sec. 15. Shell Oil Corporation has made a dual Drinkard Oil-Tubb gas completion of their State #1 and a dual Drinkard Oil-Blinebry gas completion of their State #2. Both of these wells are located in the S/2 of the NE/4 of Sec. 15. Inasmuch as the balance of the acreage in the Governmental Quarter Sections affected by Tide Water's proposed unorthodox proration units has been developed in both the Blinebry and Tubb pools, it is believed that the granting of these unorthodox proration units by the Commission will not adversely affect correlative rights of the future formation of other gas proration units in the immediate area.

It is therefore respectfully requested that the Commission act favorably on Tide Water's applications for unorthodox gas proration units for the Tubb and Blinebry Pools."

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

MR. THARP: I would like to exhibit a plat marked Exhibit A, showing the acreage to be assigned for both of these. This plat is also attached to the formal application.

MR. SPURRIER: Without objection it will be admitted. Do you have anything further?

MR. THARP: Nothing further.

MR. SPURRIER: If no questions of the witness, he may be excused.

(Witness excused.)

MR. SPURRIER: Does anyone have anything further in the Case? If not, we will take the Cases under advisement, and move on to Case 659.

C E R T I F I C A T E

I, ADA DEARNLEY, COURT REPORTER, do hereby certify that the foregoing and attached transcript of hearing in Cases No. 657 and 658, Consolidated, before the Oil Conservation Commission, State of New Mexico, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, on February 17, 1954, is a true and correct record to the best of my knowledge, skill and ability.

DATED at Albuquerque, New Mexico, this 23rd day of February, 1954.

  
REPORTER