BEFORE THE OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF J. C. WILLIAMSON FOR DETERMINATION OF THE PROPER LIMITS OF THE SOUTH KNOWLES-DEVONIAN POOL, AND FOR APPROVAL OF A WELL LOCATION 330' SOUTH OF THE NORTH LINE AND 2310' WEST OF THE EAST LINE OF SECTION 24 TOWNSHIP 17 SOUTH, RANGE 38 EAST, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO IN THE VICINITY OF THE SOUTH KNOWLES-DEVONIAN POOL.

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Case No. 745

APPLICATION

Comes now J. C. Williamson by his attorneys, Campbell & Russell, and applies to the Oil Conservation Commission for authority to drill a well located 330' south of the north line and 2310' west of the east line of Section 24, Township 17 South, Range 38 East, Lea County, New Mexico, and as his grounds therefor states:

- 1. Applicant is the owner of the leasehold interest in the $N_2^1NE_4^1$ of Section 24, Township 17 South, Range 38 East, Lea County, New Mexico, which is not now within the defined pool limits of the South Knowles-Devonian Pool.
- 2. By its Order No. R-638-B the Commission did, on September 15, 1955, issue its temporary order establishing 80-acre drilling and proration units and a maximum per well allowable of 150 barrels for each proration unit within said pool.
- 3. Since the issuance of said order a well has been completed in the $SW_{\overline{4}}^{\frac{1}{2}}SE_{\overline{4}}^{\frac{1}{2}}$ of Section 18 in said township and range, which well indicates the possibility that there is a separate and distinct oil pool lying south of the original discovery well for the South Knowles-Devonian Pool.
- 4. Applicant desires to commence immediately the drilling of a well situated 330' south of the north line and 2310' west of the east line of Section 24 in said township and range.

NOW, THEREFORE, Applicant requests the Commission to take the following action:

- 1. Determine that the N½NE½ of Section 24, Township 17 South, Range 38 East, Lea County, New Mexico is not within the South Knowles-Devonian Pool and is not therefore affected by Commission Order No. R-638-B, in which event the location requested by Applicant is an orthodox location under existing statewide rules.
- 2. In the alternative, determine that if the said acreage is within the South Knowles-Devonian Pool and subject to Order No. R-638-B then because of additional development and information available said Order should be revised to provide for 40-acre drilling and proration units.
- 3. In the alternative, if the Commission finds that the said $N\frac{1}{2}NE\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 24 is covered by its Order No. R-638-B, and that the drilling and proration units defined in said Order are proper, then to grant Applicant an exception to Paragraph 2 of said Order.

Respectfully submitted,

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