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RODUCTION DEPARTMENT J. S. FREEMAN, VICE PRESIDENT

March 9, 1956

Mr. W. B. Macey New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission Mabry Hall Santa Fe, New Mexico

Dear Sir:

We are herewith attaching original and two copies of application seeking exception to Order No. R-565-C for unorthodox locations and unorthodox gas units in the Fulcher Kutz-Pictured Cliffs and/or South Blanco-Pictured Cliffs gas pools in San Juan and Rio Arriba Counties, New Mexico.

We would appreciate it if this application could be set for your next series of hearings in Santa Fe on Wednesday, April 18, 1956, as early on the docket as possible, since the undersigned has several hearings in Austin, Texas, on the next day.

Yours very truly, Selinger

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cc-Mr. P. E. Cosper Mr. W. J. Stewart

MAIN OFFICE THE OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO 1955 MAR 12 M 8:36

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APPLICATION

Comes now Skelly Oil Company and alleges and states:

1. That it is a producer and operator of wells in Pictured Cliffs reservoirs in the various classified fields in San Juan and Rio Arriba Counties, New Mexico, and, more specifically in and around Section 15-27N-9W.

2. That heretofore on October 13, 1955, this Commission issued its Order No. R-565-C in consolidated cases 729, 859, 860 and 941 establishing special rules and regulations for the Fulcher Kutz-Pictured Cliffs and South Blanco-Pictured Cliffs gas pools in San Juan and Rio Arriba Counties, New Mexico. That by such rules in both fields the Commission established location of wells to be at least 990' from the outer boundries of each governmental quarter section with a tolerance of 200' and established a drilling unit of 160 acres in the form of a square which shall be a legal quarter section subdivision of the U. S. Public Land Survey.

That Applicant owns all of Section 15, Township 27 North, Range 3. 9 West, insofar as leases are concerned, and with respect to the S/2 of said Section 15-27N-9W, Applicant has a lease on the N/2 of the S/2 of said Section 15 and another and separate lease on the S/2 of the S/2 of said Section 15. That it will be an undue burden on Applicant to attempt to unitize portions of these separate leases into two gas units following governmental quarter sections; whereas, Applicant can form two 160-acre units composed of the N/2 of the S/2of Section 15 and the S/2 of the S/2 of Section 15.

4. That in the formation of such unorthodox 160-acre gas units, Applicant proposes to locate the well for the N/2 of the S/2 of said Section 15, 1320' West of the East line and 990' South of the North line of the N/2 of the S/2 of Section 15 and proposes to locate the well for the S/2 of Section 15.

That such exception to the location of said two wells and the formation of two such unorthodox 160-acre gas units will not cause waste and is not in violation of correlative rights of any interested party.

WHEREFORE, PREMISES CONSIDERED, Applicant requests and exception for its two wells as above described and an exception to the 160-acre governmental quarter section unit to permit two 160-acre unorthodox gas units, all of which is located in the S/2 Section 15, Township 27 North, Range 9 West, San Juan County, New Mexico.

Respectfully submitted,

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(Signed) GHORGE W. SELINGER By_

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