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SKELLY OIL COMPANY

TULSA 2, OKLAHOMA

PRODUCTION DEPARTMENT
J. S. FREEMAN, VICE PRESIDENT

April 25, 1956

Re: Approval of West Tatum Unit Agreement
Lea County, New Mexico

Mr. A. L. Porter, Jr.
New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission
Box 871
Santa Fe, New Mexico

Dear Sir:

We desire this letter to be our application for hearing before the Commission on its May 16 docket for approval of a proposed Skelly operated unit agreement between Skelly Oil Company and Sinclair Oil and Gas Company covering 1280 acres as follows: All of Sections 26 and 35, Township 12 South, Range 35 East, Lea County, New Mexico.

Attached hereto are three exhibits indicating the unit area involved, the schedule of percentage and ownership of oil and gas interest in the lands and a structure map of the seismic interpretation near the Devonian horizon showing that the unit will cover substantially all of the proper productive area. All of the lands covered in the above description are state lands and we desire to drill a proposed Devonian test to approximately 13,200', with the proposed location being in the SE SW of Section 26, Township 12 South, Range 35 East, Lea County, New Mexico.

You will note from the attached exhibits that our information indicates the following companies have acreage offsetting the unit: Vicars, Gulf, R. Nix, Sinclair, Phillips, E. D. White, E. G. Levick, R. H. Davis. Within the unit Sinclair and Skelly.

Preliminary copies of the unit agreement and operating agreement are being sent to both the Commission and Land Commissioner so that they can each be familiar prior to the hearing.

Yours very truly,

SKELLY OIL COMPANY

George W. Selinger
By George W. Selinger

GWS:zmr
cc-List Attached

cc-Honorable E. S. Walker
Land Commissioner
Mabry Hall
Santa Fe, New Mexico

Mr. J. N. Dunlavey

Mr. W. J. Stewart