

## STATE OF NEW MEXICO

## STATE ENGINEER OFFICE

SANTA FE

S. E. REYNOLDS

ADDRESS CORRESPONDENCE TO: P. O. BOX 1079 SANTA FE, N. M.

August 2, 1956

Mr. O. K. Gilbreth Gulf Oil Company P. O. Box 962 Roswell, New Mexico

Dear Mr. Gilbreth:

In regard to your telephone call on July 31 and Mr. Taylor's letter of August 1, 1956, requesting information on the protection of fresh water in your proposed salt water disposal well in section 6, T. 20 S., R. 37 E., reference is made to memorandum 22-56, dated July 3, 1956, from the New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission, stating that salt water should be injected below the base of the Triassic, commonly found at depths of 1200 feet to 2500 feet in Lea County. Your proposed injection zones of 4300 to 4620 and 4670 to 4720 are therefore apparently well below the base of the Triassic rocks.

Sincerely,

S. E. Reynolds State Engineer

By:

C. B. Thompson Chief, Technical Division

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B. E. THOMPSON DIVISION PRODUCTION MANAGER

July 31, 1956

New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission P. O. Box 871 Santa Fe, New Mexico

> Re: Application for Authorization to Use Gulfs G. C. Matthews Well No. 6 as a Salt Water Disposal Well

Gentlemen:

Confirming our telegram dated July 19th, Gulf Oil Corporation respectfully requests that the Commission schedule a hearing to consider our application for an order granting permission to convert Gulf's Well No. 6 G. C. Matthews into a salt water disposal well in the San Andres Formation of the Monument Pool.

Gulf's G. C. Matthews Well No. 6, located 1650 feet from the south line and 990 feet from the east line of Section 6, T-20-S, R-37-E, Lea County, New Mexico, was completed November 26, 1951, in the Monument-Blinebry Pool as an oil well producing from the perforated interval 5655'-5705'. The 7-inch casing was set at 5769 feet and cemented with 650 sacks before being completed at a plug-back depth of 5724 feet. Later, during workover operations, when attempts were made to exclude formation water, the entire perforated interval was squeezed and re-perforated from 5662'-5674'. The present plug-back total depth is 5675 feet.

In converting to a salt water disposal well, it is proposed to plug back subject well and perforate the 7-inch casing in the approximate intervals 4300'-4620' and 4670'-4720', which is in the lower portion of the San Andres Formation of the Monument Pool. Gulf Oil Corporation plans to use this well to dispose of a portion of the water being produced by our wells in the Hobbs, Monument and Eunice Pools. The casing record of Matthews No. 6 is as follows:

<u>Casing Size</u>	&	<u>Depth</u>	<u>Cen</u>	<u>ent</u> &	<u>Cement Top</u>
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7"	0	5769 <b>'</b>	650	Sacks,	2820*

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July 31, 1956

Gulf Oil Corporation is the owner and operator of the 160-acre G. C. Matthews Lease, located in the SE/4 of Section 6, T-20-S, R-37-E.

By copy of this letter, all operators within one-half mile of the proposed injection well, as well as each offset operator, are notified of the intent of Gulf Oil Corporation to convert subject well for salt water disposal purposes.

Respectfully submitted,

GULF OIL CORPORATION

Division Production Man By:

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Continental Oil Company P. O. Box 427 Hobbs, New Mexico

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Gulf Oil Corporation G. C. Matthews Lease Well No. 6

Proposed Salt Water Disposal Well

Scale 1" = 2000"