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413½ West Main FARMINGTON, NEW MEXICO July 12, 1956

Mr. A. L. Porter, Secretary & Director New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission P. O. Box 697 Santa Fe, New Mexico

Dear Mr. Porter:

Pacific Northwest Pipeline Corporation will start delivery of gas on a large scale to the Pacific Northwest during the month of October 1956. We will connect approximately 125 wells to our gathering system during September and October 1956. This fact will make it very difficult for us to secure deliverability tests on these wells and comply with Order No. R-333-C & D.

The load demand of the line will undoubtedly fluctuate to a great extent because of the initial problems involved in starting such a transmission line. This fluctuation will complicate the securing of satisfactory deliverability tests.

Pacific plans to deliver a large amount of gas to the Northwest during the last quarter of 1956, and it would be undesirable to necessitate the shutting in of a great number of wells for seven days following the deliverability tests.

In view of the above, Pacific Northwest Pipeline Corporation requests that the New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission hold an Examiner's Hearing, preferably in Farmington, at the earliest possible date. We are requesting this hearing in an effort to obtain approval for Pacific Northwest Pipeline Corporation to take exception for the remainder of 1956 to the following items in Order No. R-333-C & D.

1. The 45 days limit for the completion of initial deliverability tests as stated in Section B, Sub Section I, Paragraph A.

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2. The 7 days shut in pressure after the annual deliverability tests, as stated in Section B, Sub Section I, Paragraph B. (Pacific requests the option to use a seven day shut in pressure taken either before or after the deliverability test).

Yours very truly,

J. A. Aligan
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cc: Mr. Emory Arnold L. G. Truby

DOCKET: EXAMINER HEARING AUGUST 8, 1956

Main Court Room, San Juan County Court House, 10:00 a.m., Aztec, N. M.

The following case will be heard before Warren W. Mankin, Examiner:

CASE 1124:

Application of Pacific Northwest Pipeline Corporation for an order extending the time limits set for making deliverability tests for approximately 125 gas wells in the Blanco-Mesaverde Gas Pool located in San Juan and Rio Arriba Counties, New Mexico, as required by Order R-333-C and D, and for the assignment of allowables to said wells in exception to Order R-128-D. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order excepting approximately 125 gas wells in the Blanco-Mesaverde Gas Pool, to which the applicant expects to connect, from the requirements of making initial deliverability tests for the remainder of the year of 1956, as required by Section B, Sub-Section I, Paragraph A of Order R-333-C and D, and from seven day shut-in pressure tests as required by Section B, Sub-Section I, Paragraph B of said Order R-333-C and D; and further that said wells be granted an allowable at the time of connection for the remainder of 1956 notwithstanding the fact that no deliverability tests shall have been made as required by Rules 5 and 9 of the Special Rules and Regulations for the Blanco-Mesaverde Gas Pool as set forth in Order R-128-D.