

BEFORE THE
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Hobbs, New Mexico
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TRANSCRIPT OF PROCEEDINGS

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IN THE MATTER OF:

The application of Amerada Petroleum Corporation
for an order establishing an 80-acre non-standard
gas proration unit in the Blinebry Gas Pool in
exception to Rule 5 (a) of the Special Rules and
Regulations for said pool as set forth in Order
R-610. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks
an order establishing an 80-acre non-standard gas
proration unit in the Blinebry Gas Pool consisting
of the SE/4 NW/4 and SW/4 NE/4 of Section 20,
Township 21 South, Range 37 East, Lea County, New
Mexico; said unit to be dedicated to applicant's J. C.
Randle "A" No. 1 Well, located 1980 feet from the North
and West lines of said Section 20.

CASE NO. 1169

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BEFORE:

Warren W. Mankin, Examiner

TRANSCRIPT OF HEARING

EXAMINER MANKIN: The next case is Case No. 1169.

GURLEY: Case 1169, the application of the Amerada Petroleum Corporation
for an order establishing 80-acre non-standard gas proration unit in the Blinebry
Gas Pool in exception to Rule 5 (a) of the Special Rules and Regulations of
said pool as set forth in Order R-610.

W. G. ABBOTT

having first been duly sworn in, testified as follows:

ABBOTT: My name is W. G. Abbott, District Engineer with Amerada
Petroleum Corporation, in Monument, New Mexico.

EXAMINER MANKIN: You have previously been qualified as an expert
witness have'nt you Mr. Abbott?

A. Yes sir.

EXAMINER MANKIN: They're acceptable.

ABBOTT: In our application we are asking for an exception to Rule 5 (a) of the Special Order R-610. We are asking for a non-standard gas proration unit in the Blinebry Gas Pool for our Randal "A" and Randal "A" Leases. This 80 acres is composed of the SE/4 of the NW/4 and the SW/4 of the NE/4 of Section 20, Township 21 South, Range 37 East. The Blinebry Gas Well was made from our Randal "A" No. 1. This well was originally drilled as a Drinkard Well and completed as a Drinkard Well on January 18, 1949. In August of 1954, we attempted to make a Tubb-Blinebry gas-gas dual on the well, and we were unsuccessful in getting any gas production out of the Tubb Zone, so at that time we treated the Blinebry zone with 1500 gallons of acid and then acid fraced it with 5,000 gallons of jell acid and 2500 pounds of sand, and we took an absolute open flow potential at that time and the well potential was 735,000 cubic feet per day. The gas purchaser in that area, Permian Basin Pipe Line would not take this well as the potential was too low. So, after studying this and watching some of our competitors, we came back there in August of this year and re-acidized these Blinebry perforations with 10,000 gallons of regular acid and we took another absolute overflow which potentialied at 1,280,000 cubic feet per day, so this well is now a commercial gas well and we are asking for an 80-acre gas proration unit at this time. I would like to submit to the Commission a plat showing the proposed unit and also showing other Blinebry gas units in this area. I believe thats all I have on this.

GURLEY: Mr. Abbott, what is your royalty ownership here?

A. Well, there was in the two 40-acre tracts, there was one royalty owner that was not common in the tracts and he has signed an agreement that this communitization would be alright.

Q. You have a signed agreement to that effect then?

A. Yes.

Q. And the rest of it is common ownership?

A. Yes, sir.

Q. And its all under your lease, is that correct?

A. Thats right.

Q. On this Exhibit, sir, was this Exhibit prepared by you or under your supervision?

A. Yes, sir.

EXAMINER MANKIN: Mr. Abbott, has an attempt been made by Amerada on a standard 160-acre gas proration unit in the Blinbry Pool?

A. No, sir. According to Rules R-610 a standard unit would be 160-acre unit all in the one legal quarter section and we do not feel that the well is capable of producing much more than this one 80-acre allowable so we have not attempted to unitize or to communitize with other operators.

EXAMINER MANKIN: Is there a question of the witness?

CAMPBELL: (Interested Party) Is that zone shut completely off?

ABBOTT: Yes, sir.

GURLEY: Excuse me, what is your name sir?

CAMPBELL: Campbell.

Q. And you're with who?

A. E. G. Rodman.

ABBOTT: We attempted to make a Tubb Gas Well back in '54, but we were unsuccessful.

CAMPBELL: And you had no communication?

ABBOTT: No, sir.

CAMPBELL: And you are sincere.

ABBOTT: Yes, sir. We're sincere.

EXAMINER MANKIN: Any further question of the witness? Did you have anything else to add?

ABBOTT: No, we will - - - - - this is just a straight single completion in the Blinbry Gas Zone.

GURLEY: You wish to enter this as an Exhibit, sir?

A. Yes, sir.

EXAMINER MANKIN: Is there objection to entering this Exhibit? If not, we will enter Exhibit 1 as the Exhibit in this case. Do you have anything further Mr. Abbott?

A. No, sir.

EXAMINER MANKIN: If there is nothing further, we will take the case under advisement.

STATE OF NEW MEXICO)
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COUNTY OF SANTA FE)

I, Doris Arnold, do hereby certify that the foregoing and attached transcript of proceedings before the New Mexico Oil Commission Examiner at Hobbs, New Mexico, is a true and correct record, to the best of my knowledge, skill and ability.

Dated at Santa Fe, New Mexico this 8th day of January, 1957,

Doris Arnold