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MALCO REFINERIES, INC.

P. O. Box 660

ROSWELL, NEW MEXICO

LEGAL DEPARTMENT

September 27, 1957

Mr. A. L. Porter, Jr.  
The New Mexico Oil  
Conservation Commission  
Capital Building  
Santa Fe, New Mexico

Dear Mr. Porter:

We are enclosing an application, in triplicate, of Malco Refineries, Inc. for Unorthodox Oil Well Location for its William-Stirling #4 Well in the SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 7, Township 18 South, Range 27 East, N.M.P.M., Eddy County, New Mexico.

In Exhibit "C" of the application, the name Olsen Featherstone should be Olen F. Featherstone.

Your immediate consideration of this application will be greatly appreciated. We do hope that the hearing before the Commission, or Examiner, will be at the earliest possible time.

Yours very truly,

MALCO REFINERIES, INC.

By Robert A. Bussian  
Robert A. Bussian

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BEFORE THE OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO

APPLICATION OF MALCO REFINERIES, INC., )  
A NEW MEXICO CORPORATION, FOR AN UN- )  
ORTHODOX OIL WELL LOCATION FOR ITS )  
WILLIAM-STIRLING #4 WELL IN THE SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$  )  
OF SECTION 7, TOWNSHIP 18 SOUTH, RANGE )  
27 EAST, N.M.P.M., CONTAINING 40 ACRES, )  
MORE OR LESS, RED LAKE POOL, EDDY COUNTY, )  
NEW MEXICO )

CASE NO. 1333

### APPLICATION

COMES NOW, Malco Refineries, Inc., a New Mexico corporation, respectfully presents this application for approval of an unorthodox oil well location, and in support thereof states as follows:

1. Applicant is the owner of the SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 7, Township 18 South, Range 27 East, N.M.P.M., Eddy County, New Mexico, and on or about June 21, 1957, the Applicant had said land surveyed for the purpose of staking a location for the drilling of the William-Stirling #4 Well. The location was subsequently surveyed and a plat thereof was filed with this Commission and attached hereto as Exhibit "A". The plat showed the proposed location for the William-Stirling #4 Well to be at a point 2,310 feet from the North line and 1,650 feet from the West line of Section 7, Township 18 South, Range 27 East, N.M.P.M., Eddy County, New Mexico.

2. Applicant spudded the well at the exact location of the stake; drilled the well to the total depth of 1,776 feet, and completed the well, on or about July 8, 1957, as a producer of oil.

3. After the drilling and completion of the well at the original staked location, information came to the attention of the Applicant that the well was possibly erroneously located; therefore, Applicant caused a new survey to be made on September 25, 1957 and

it was determined by this new survey, a copy of which is hereto attached as Exhibit "B", that the actual location of the well was at a point 2,540 feet from the North line and 1,650 feet from the West line of Section 7, Township 18 South, Range 27 East, N.M.P.M., Eddy County, New Mexico. Upon completion of this survey on September 26, 1957, Applicant notified the Commission of the unorthodox location as described above.

4. The unorthodox location was not the fault of the Applicant and the Applicant will suffer undue hardships if the subject application is not approved.

5. The ownership of the off set locations, being the SW $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ , NW $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$  and NE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 7, Township 18 South, Range 27 East, N.M.P.M., Eddy County, New Mexico, which may be affected by the unorthodox location is shown on the attached Exhibit "C", and the addresses of such owners are also set out.

6. The addresses of the surveyors who prepared Exhibit "A" and Exhibit "B" are respectively as follows:

Vilas P. Sheldon  
Carper Building  
Artesia, New Mexico

John A. Mathis, Jr.  
Electric Building  
Artesia, New Mexico

WHEREFORE, Applicant respectfully requests that this matter be set down for hearing before the Commission, or Examiner, at the earliest possible time; notice of said hearing be given as required by law; and that upon the evidence introduced at the hearing, this Commission enter its order in this case approving the unorthodox location of the Malco Refineries, Inc., William-Stirling #4 Well, at a point 2,540 feet from the North line and 1,650 feet from the West line of Section 7, Township 18 South, Range 27 East, N.M.P.M., in the Red Lake Pool, in Eddy County, New Mexico, and that said well be granted the same allowable that it would receive if said well were in an orthodox location.

Dated this 27th day of September, 1957.

MALCO REFINERIES, INC., Applicant

By Robert A. Bussian  
Robert A. Bussian, Attorney  
Malco Refineries, Inc.  
Post Office Box 660  
Roswell, New Mexico

Address of Applicant:

Malco Refineries, Inc.  
Post Office Box 660  
Roswell, New Mexico

NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Well Location and Acreage Dedication Plat

Section A.

Date June 21, 1957

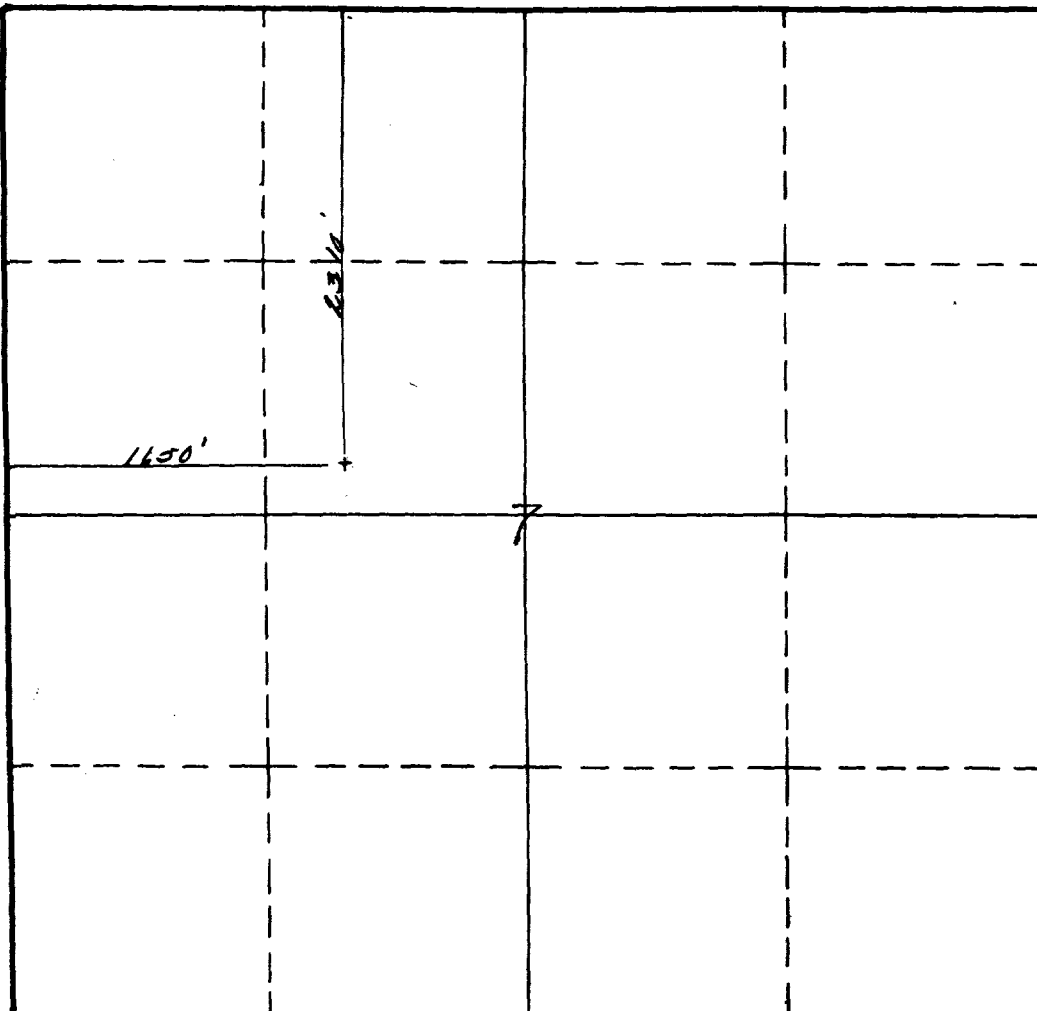
Operator Malco Refineries, Inc. Lease William B. Boring  
Well No. 1 Unit Letter 7 Section 7 Township 12N Range 27E NMPM  
Located 2000 Feet From North Line, 2000 Feet From West Line  
County San Juan G. L. Elevation 5000 Dedicated Acreage 40 Acres  
Name of Producing Formation San Andres Pool San Juan

1. Is the Operator the only owner\* in the dedicated acreage outlined on the plat below?  
Yes X No       .
2. If the answer to question one is "no," have the interests of all the owners been consolidated by communitization agreement or otherwise? Yes        No       . If answer is "yes," Type of Consolidation
3. If the answer to question two is "no," list all the owners and their respective interests below:

Owner

Land Description

Section B



This is to certify that the information in Section A above is true and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Malco Refineries, Inc.  
(Operator)

(Representative)

P.O. Box 660, Roswell, New Mex.  
Address

This is to certify that the well location shown on the plat in Section B was plotted from field notes of actual surveys made by me or under my supervision and that the same is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Date Surveyed June 21, 1957  
[Signature]  
Registered Professional  
Engineer and/or Land Surveyor.

Certificate No. 963

(See instructions for completing this form on the reverse side)

**INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETION:**

1. Operator shall furnish and certify to the information called for in Section A.
2. Operator shall outline the dedicated acreage for both oil and gas wells on the plat in Section B.
3. A registered professional engineer or land surveyor registered in the State of New Mexico or approved by the Commission shall show on the plat the location of the well and certify this information in the space provided.
4. All distances shown on the plat must be from the outer boundaries of Section.
5. If additional space is needed for listing owners and their respective interests as required in question 3, Section A, please use space below

\* "Owner" means the person who has the right to drill into and to produce from any pool and to appropriate the production either for himself or for himself and another. (65-3-29 (e) NMSA 1953 Comp.)

## NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Well Location and Acreage Dedication Plat

Section A.

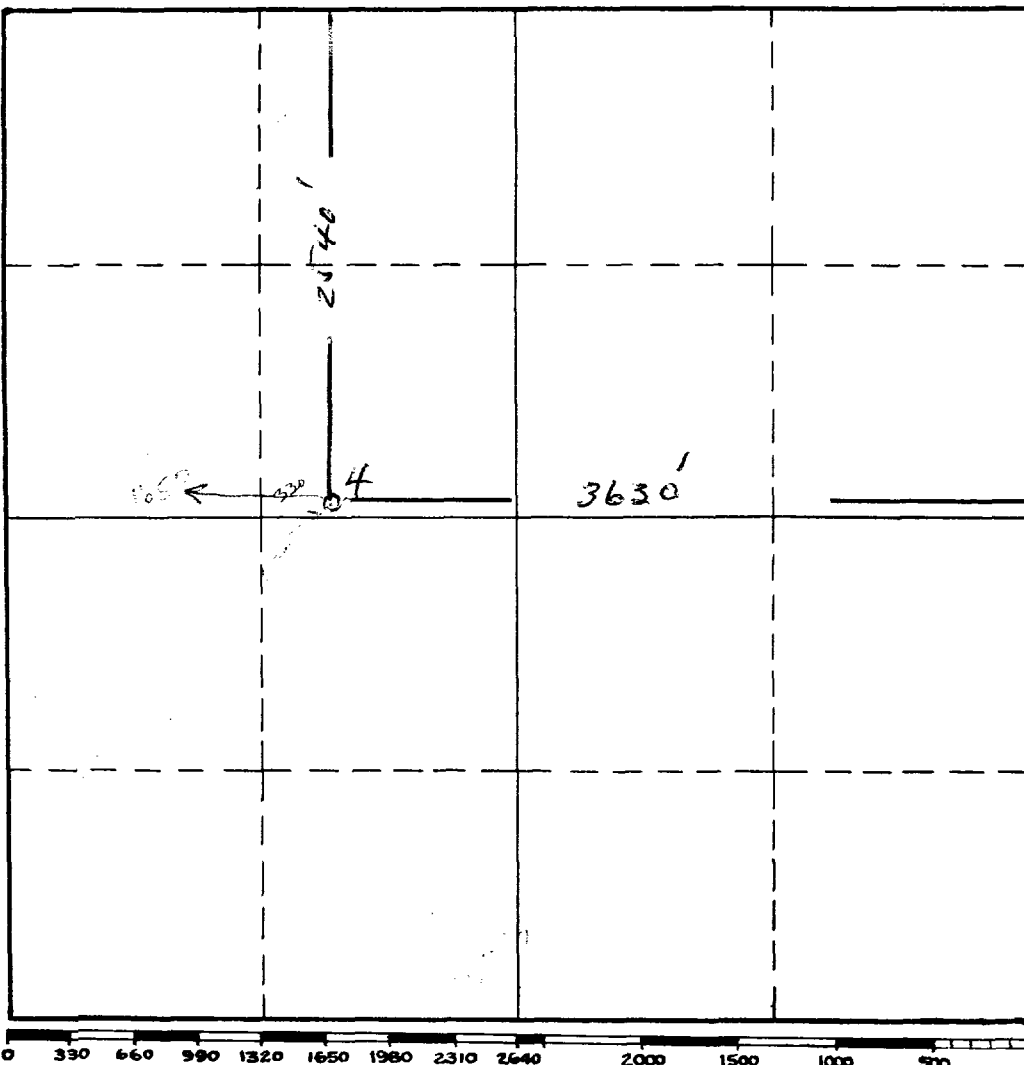
Date September 25, 1957

Operator Malco Refineries, Inc. Lease Sterling  
 Well No. 4 Unit Letter \_\_\_\_\_ Section 7 Township 18 South Range 27 East NMPM  
 Located 3630 Feet From East Line, 2540 Feet From North Line  
 County Eddy G. L. Elevation 3269 Dedicated Acreage \_\_\_\_\_ Acres  
 Name of Producing Formation San Andres (Slaughter) Pool Red Lake

1. Is the Operator the only owner\* in the dedicated acreage outlined on the plat below?  
Yes Yes No \_\_\_\_\_.
2. If the answer to question one is "no," have the interests of all the owners been consolidated by communitization agreement or otherwise? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_. If answer is "yes," Type of Consolidation \_\_\_\_\_
3. If the answer to question two is "no," list all the owners and their respective interests below:

OwnerLand Description


## Section B



This is to certify that the information in Section A above is true and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Malco Refineries, Inc.

(Operator)

*[Signature]*  
(Representative)

Box 660, Roswell, New Mexico  
Address

This is to certify that the well location shown on the plat in Section B was plotted from field notes of actual surveys made by me or under my supervision and that the same is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Date Sur \_\_\_\_\_

*[Signature]*  
Registered Professional Engineer  
 State of New Mexico  
 License No. 1502

Certificate \_\_\_\_\_

(See instructions for completing this form on the reverse)

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