

## BEFORE THE OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION Santa Fe, New Mexico February 13, 1958

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IN THE MATTER OF:	
Northwestern New Mexico nomenclature case ) calling for an order for the extension of exist- ) ing pools in San Juan and Rio Arriba Counties, ) New Mexico.	Case <b>13</b> 80
<pre>(a) Extend the Aztec-Pictured Cliffs Pool to ) include:</pre>	
Township 29 North, Range 10 West Section 29: S/2	
(b) Extend the East Blanco-Pictured Cliffs ) Pool to include:	
<u>Township 30 North, Range 4 West</u> Section 10: SW/4 Section 15: NW/4	
<pre>(c) Extend the Ballard-Pictured Cliffs Pool to include:</pre>	
Township 26 North, Range 8 West Section 14: SW/4	
<pre>(d) Extend the Tapacito-Pictured Cliffs Pool to include:</pre>	
<u>Township 26 North, Range 3 West</u> All of Sections 8 & 17	; ) )
(e) Extend the South Blanco-Pictured Cliffs Pool to include:	
Township 25 North, Range 3 West Section 18: W/2 Section 19: NW/4	)
<u>Township 25 North, Range 4 West</u> Section 13: S/2 Section 24: N/2	)

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Township 26 North, Range 5 West All of Sections 17 & 18 Township 27 North, Range 7 West All of Sections 9 & 10 Township 28 North, Range 8 West All of Sections 30, 32 & 33 Section 34: W/2 (f) Extend the Bisti-Lower Gallup Oil Pool to include: Township 25 North, Range 11 West Section 7: SW/4 Township 25 North, Range 12 West Section 11: S/2 Section 12: A11 (g) Extend the Verde-Gallup Oil Pool to include: Township 31 North, Range 15 West Section 23: SE/4 Section 24: S/2 Section 25: NE/4 **BEFORE:** Mr. A. L. Porter, Jr. Mr. Murray Morgan Governor Edwin L. Mechem TRANSCRIPT OF PROCEEDINGS MR. PORTER: We will consider next Case 1380. MR. COOLEY: Case 1380: Northwestern New Mexico nomenclature case calling for an order for the extension of existing pools in San Juan and Rio Arriba Counties, New Mexico.

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## ELVIS A. UTZ

called as a witness, having been first duly sworn on oath, testified as follows:

## DIRECT EXAMINATION

By MR. COOLEY:

Q State your name and position, please.

A Elvis A. Utz, Engineer with the Oil Conservation Commission.

Q Mr. Utz, in your official capacity as engineer for the Oil Conservation Commission, have you had an opportunity to make a study of the nomenclature in San Juan and Rio Arriba Counties, New Mexico?

A Yes, sir I have.

Q Mr. Utz, do you have any recommendations concerning the extension of the Aztec-Pictured Cliffs Pool?

A I recommend that it be extended as advertised, on the basis of one well capable of producing from the pool.

Q What are your recommendations concerning the extension of the East Blanco-Pictured Cliffs Pool?

A I recommend that that East Blanco-Pictured Cliffs Pool be extended as advertised, on the basis of one well completed in the pool.

Q What are your recommendations concerning the extension of the Ballard-Pictured Cliffs Pool?

A I recommend that it be extended as advertised, on the basis of one well completed in that pool.

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Q Have you any recommendation concerning the extension of the Tapacito-Pictured Cliffs Pool?

A I recommend that the Tapacito-Pictured Cliffs Pool be extended as advertised, on the basis of two wells completed in that pool.

Q What are your recommendations in regard to the South Blanco-Pictured Cliffs Pool?

A I recommend that the South Blanco-Pictured Cliffs Gas Pool be extended as advertised, with the exception of the last portion of the advertisement which consists of 28 North, 8 West, Sections 30, 32 and 33, all, Section 34, west half, which was misadvertised as being in Rio Arriba County rather than San Juan County. I would recommend that that portion be dismissed.

MR. COOLEY: We ask at this time that this portion of paragraph (e) in Case 1380 which advertises the extensions of the South Blanco-Pictured Cliffs Gas Pool to include all of Sections 30, 32 and 33, and the west half of 34, Township 28 North, Range 8 West, be dismissed.

MR. PORTER: On account of an error in advertising?

MR. COOLEY: Advertised in the wrong county.

A Also an error in advertising, too.

MR. PORTER: That portion of the case will be dismissed.

Q Mr. Utz, do you have any recommendation in regard to the extension of the Bisti-Lower Gallup Oil Pool?

A I recommend that the Bisti-Lower Gallup Oil Pool be extended

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as advertised, on the basis of one well completed in that pool.

Q What are your recommendations concerning the extension of the Verde-Gallup Oil Pool?

A I recommend that the Verde-Gallup Oil Pool be extended as advertised, on the basis of one well completed in that pool.

Q Do you have any further recommendations in this case?

A No, I do not.

Q Have you prepared an exhibit to substantiate your recommendations in this case?

A Yes, I have.

Q How is that exhibit identified?

A It is identified as Exhibit No. 1, which lists the recommended extensions and the wells on which they are based.

MR. COCLEY: We move that Exhibit No. 1 be admitted.

MR. PORTER: Without objection it will be admitted. Anyone have a question of the witness? Mr. Utz may be excused.

(Witness excused.)

MR. PORTER: We will take the case under advisement, and the hearing is adjourned.

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## CERTIFICATE

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STATE OF NEW MEXICO ) COUNTY OF BERNALILLO )

I, ADA DEARNLEY, Notary Public in and for the County of Bernalillo, State of New Mexico, do hereby certify that the foregoing and attached Transcript of Proceedings before the New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission was reported by me in stenotype and reduced to typewritten transcript under my personal supervision, and that the same is a true and correct record to the best of my knowledge, skill and ability.

WITNESS my Hand and Seal this 12<sup>77</sup> day of March, 1958, in the City of Albuquerque, County of Bernalillo, State of New Mexico.

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My commission expires: June 19, 1959..