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NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION SANTA FE NMEX=

FORWARDING BY MAIL APPLICATION FOR EXCEPTION STATEWIDE RULE 104 SKELLY C. W. ROBERTS NO.3 LOCATED 1190 FROM SOUTH LINE, 1450 FROM EAST LINE SECTION 18, 25 NORTH, 3 WEST, RIO ARRIBA COUNTY, A DISCOVERY DAKOTA OIL WELL IN AREA CONTAINING GAS WELLS. IF SAME CAN BE HEARD FEBRUARY 13 CALENDAR BY COMMISSION OR FEBRUARY 14 TRIAL EXAMINER IT WOULD BE APPRECIATED. INTERESTED OFFSET OPERATORS ARE HUMBLE, SOUTHERN UNION, J. F. HICKMAN, A. G. HILL, L.L. JOHNSON AND GUNSITE BUTTE URANIUM CO., ALTHOUGH WELL

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SKELLY OIL COMPANY

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PRODUCTION DEPARTMENT
C. L. BLACKSHER, MANAGER

January 31, 1958

Mr. A. L. Porter, Jr.
New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission
State Capitol
Santa Fe. New Mexico

Dear Sir:

This is to confirm our telegram sent to you as of this date, in which we seek an exception to Rule 104 for a well which was projected to gas producing horizon in an area containing gas wells only, but, unexpectedly completed as an oil well, for the first Dakota production in the area, necessitating an exception to the well spacing requirements of Rule 104.

Attached hereto is an original and three copies of application and although the nearest other operator affected would be approximately 3/4 of a mile from our location, which is surrounded by Skelly acreage. The nearest adjoining operators are Humble Oil and Refining Company, Box 1268, Farmington, New Mexico; Southern Union Gas Company, Burt Building, Dallas, Texas; A. G. Hill, Mercantile Bank Building, Dallas, Texas; J. F. Hickman, 3010 Monte Vista Boulevard, Albuquerque, New Mexico; L. L. Johnson, no address; and Gunsite Butte Uranium Corporation, 438 South Main, Salt Lake City, Utah.

As expressed in our telegram we trust that this matter can be set for the February 13 docket before the Commission or February 14 Trial Examiner hearing. If you are unable to have this matter set for this date, any other date in February except the 18, 19 and 20th would be satisfactory.

ers very truly,

eorge W. Selinger

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IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF SKELLY
OIL COMPANY FOR AN EXCEPTION TO RULE 104
OF THE STATEWIDE RULES AND REGULATIONS AS
AMENDED BY ORDER NO. R-855 IN SO FAR AS IT
APPLIES TO ITS C. W. ROBERTS WELL NO. 3, IN
THE SE/4 OF SECTION 18, TOWNSHIP 25 NORTH,
RANGE 3 WEST, RIO ARRIBA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

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APPLICATION

Comes now Skelly Oil Company and alleges and states:

- 1. That it is a producer and operator of gas wells in Sections 18, 19, 30 and 31, Township 25 North, Range 3 West.
- 2. That its No. 3 well located 1190' from the south line and 1450' from the east line of Section 18, Township 25 North, Range 3 West, was authorized as a gas well and has recently been completed as an oil well for discovery in the Dakota formation.
- 3. That said Rule 104, as amended, provides for gas wells to be located 990' from the outer boundaries of 160-acre governmental quarter section with a tolerance of 200' and that in the event oil production is encountered in a well which was projected to a gas producing horizon and does not conform to the oil spacing of being located not closer than 330' to any quarter quarter section line it shall then be necessary for the operator to bring the matter to a hearing.
- 4. That applicant owns its C. W. Roberts which consists of Section 17 and 18, Township 25 North, Range 3 West and likewise owns the leases in Section 19 and 20, Township 25 North, Range 3 West and that said well is towards the center of its own leases to such an extent that no other parties either offsetting or in the immediate vicinity thereof would be adversely affected.
- 5. That the granting of this application would be in the interest of conservation.

WHEREFORE, applicant prays that this Commission set this matter down for hearing, after the giving of notice as required by law, and issue such orders, rules and regulations as may be necessary in the premises after said hearing.

Respectfully submitted.

SKETAY OIL COMPANY

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