

OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION  
P. O. BOX 871  
SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

August 14, 1958

Mr. George Selinger  
Skelly Oil Company  
P.O. Box 1650  
Tulsa 2, Oklahoma

Dear Mr. Selinger:

We enclose two copies of Order R-1237 issued August 13, 1958, by the Oil Conservation Commission in Case 1440, which was heard on July 2nd at Santa Fe before an examiner.

Very truly yours,

A. L. Porter, Jr.  
Secretary - Director

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**SKELLY OIL COMPANY**

PRODUCTION DEPARTMENT  
C. L. BLACKSHER, MANAGER

**TULSA 2, OKLAHOMA**

August 12, 1958

*Case 1440*

Re: Case 1440  
Otero Gallup Pool

Mr. A. L. Porter, Jr.  
Oil Conservation Commission  
P. O. Box 871  
Santa Fe, New Mexico

Dear Sir:

For your information wish to advise that installations have been made after the signing of the necessary contracts in which all casinghead gas from the oil wells in the Otero Gallup Pool will be utilized to a market.

This is in furtherance of your telegram of July 18, 1958, advising that a 6,000 to 1 cu. ft. limitation will go into effect September 1, 1958, after which date no gas is to be flared from the pool.

Yours very truly,

*George W. Selinger*  
George W. Selinger

GWS/db

cc: Mr. P. E. Cospers

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Send the following message, subject to the terms on back hereof, which are hereby agreed to

JULY 18, 1958

SKELLY OIL COMPANY  
TULSA, OKLAHOMA  
ATTENTION: MR. GEORGE W. SELINGER

RE: CASE 1440, SPACING AND POOL RULES OTERO GALLUP POOL.

COMMISSION HAS REACHED NO DECISION IN SUBJECT CASE AS YET,  
EXCEPT THAT THE REQUESTED 6,000 TO ONE GOR LIMITATION IN OTERO  
GALLUP POOL WILL GO INTO EFFECT SEPTEMBER 1, 1958, AFTER WHICH  
DATE NO GAS SHALL BE FLARED FROM SUBJECT POOL.

NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION  
A. L. PORTER, JR.

SECRETARY - DIRECTOR

*C. P. Porter Jr. comments.  
That there is a reasonable probability that correlative  
rights of an operator in this pool may be*



Case 1446

# SKELLY OIL COMPANY

PRODUCTION DEPARTMENT  
C. L. BLACKSHER, MANAGER

TULSA 2, OKLAHOMA

April 17, 1958

*May Regular  
hearing*

New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission  
Box 871  
Santa Fe, New Mexico

Gentlemen:

We are herewith attaching original and three copies of Application for a Hearing on the Otero Gallup Oil Pool, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico for the establishment of eighty acre proration units, located of wells thereon, and for the proration of such units, together with such special rules and regulations for this particular reservoir on the basis of a temporary order for a one year period.

If this is possible to set for the May 15th Hearing it would be appreciated.

Yours very truly,

*George W. Selinger*  
George W. Selinger

GWS:sd  
Attd.

OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION  
SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

Date 8-6-58

CASE NO. 1440

HEARING DATE 9am May 14 + 9am 6-18  
before the OCC and again  
@ 9am July 2 before DSO @ S.F.

My recommendations for an order in the above numbered case(s) are as follows:

Deny the request of Skelly for

1. 80 acre spacing
2. fixed well locations
3. transfer of allowables from high GOR wells which would be shut in.

Grant the request of Skelly for

1. GOR limitation of 6000 to 1.

Reasons:

A: 80-acre spacing:

1. applicant has failed to establish that the pool could efficiently be drained if developed on an 80-acre spacing pattern.
2. There is evidence that communication <sup>through the fractures</sup> between in various parts of the pool may vary to a considerable degree. If this is so, it is entirely within the realm of possibility that portions of the reservoir may either not be fractured at all or if fractured that there fracture system may not be connected to the rest of the fracture system in the Gallup. Drilling wells on a wide spacing pattern increases the possibility of completely missing a fracture system and may well result in leaving large quantities of oil unrecovered.

Staff Member

B: fixed well spacing - the need for fixed well spacing pattern is obviated by the denial of the 80-acre spacing

C: transfer of allowables: that there is a reasonable probability that correlative rights of any operator in same pool may be

violated if the Commission authorizes the shutting in of High GOR wells and the transfer of said wells' allowables to other wells. This is an inherent danger that ~~cannot~~ can be eliminated only by unitization of a pool.

D: GOR limitation on wells.

~~That is~~ In view of the GORs presently encountered in the Otero-Gallup <sup>oil</sup> Pool and the trend of said GORs to steadily increase and considering the relative value of oil and gas in the area, there is no necessity for the statewide 2000 to 1 to apply in this case. make the ratio limitation for Otero Gallup 6000 to 1 effective September 1, 1958, with a proviso that no gas shall be flared in the pool after that date.