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provision of Order R-1427. Applicant, )  
in the above-styled cause, seeks an )  
exception to the no-flare provision of )  
Order R-1427 for five wells in the )  
Bisti-Lower Gallup Oil Pool, San Juan )  
County, New Mexico. )  
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Case 1863

BEFORE:

Honorable John Burroughs  
Mr. A. L. Porter  
Mr. Murray Morgan

TRANSCRIPT OF HEARING

MR. PORTER: The meeting will come to order, please.  
Before we get into this series of cases involving no-flare provisions on Order R-1427, I would like at this time to give anyone an opportunity who would like to do so to move for a dismissal, in his case, Mr. Spann.

MR. SPANN: I'm happy to oblige, Mr. Porter. Charles C. Spann, appearing for Phillips Petroleum in Case 1863. I am happy to report that the five wells involved are now connected and are not flaring any gas and that the occasion for that application no longer exists. I would like to move that that case be dismissed.

MR. PORTER: Any objection to counsel's motion? Did you want to comment on his motion?

MR. SELINGER: It appears that all of these cases are more or less companion cases with respect to El Paso being the purchaser of gas in both fields, and they have a representative here and they have a map of the area plus a tabulation which goes into all of the connections with respect to those two fields and an explanation as to those wells that are not connected, and obviously those wells that are connected, it would be unnecessary to ask for any exception.

Similar to Case 1863 we have Case 1864, which all of our wells in the Bisti Field are connected, and therefore should be dismissed. I think if we would be permitted to put on El Paso's testimony with respect to the map and the tabulation and the explanation of wells not connected, I think it would be a little better order rather than going into innumerable cases throughout both fields for specific explanations. I think their testimony will be more or less of a general nature and make it unnecessary to go through case by case.

I was going to suggest that you permit us to go ahead with Case 1851, which was the next case in which I was going to indicate to the Commission that Cases 1851 and 1865, which is Pan American's case, are two applications applicable to the Gallegos Field, and Cases 1853 through 1859 and Cases 1862 through 1864 are eleven

~~applications applicable to the Bisti Field. We are going to~~  
suggest that you permit me to put the El Paso man on and his exhibits, and I think we can clear this whole matter up in very short time, all thirteen cases.

MR. ERREBO: If it please the Commission, I do have one dismissal I would like to offer, if you would care to receive it at this time.

MR. PORTER: Mr. Errebo, the Commission hasn't acted yet on Mr. Spann's motion. I feel it would be in order to act on his motion before we have another one.

The Commission has ruled that Case 1863 will be dismissed, and we're going to entertain motions for any other cases wherein the counsel wants to move for dismissal, and after we've acted on those we will call the El Paso witness in to give us whatever information he can of general interest in this nature concerning the whole problem.

Anyone else desire to move dismissal of a case? Mr. Errebo.

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STATE OF NEW MEXICO )  
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COUNTY OF BERNALILLO )

I, ADA DEARNLEY, Court Reporter, do hereby certify that the foregoing and attached transcript of proceedings before the New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission at Santa Fe, New Mexico, is a true and correct record to the best of my knowledge, skill and ability.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF I have affixed my hand and notarial seal this 6th day of February, 1960.

Ada Dearnley  
Notary Public-Court Reporter

My commission expires:

June 19, 1963.