## BEFORE THE OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO

IN THE MATTER OF THE HEARING CALLED BY THE OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONSIDERING:

> CASE No. 2140 Order No. R-1841

THE APPLICATION OF HUMBLE OIL & REFINING COMPANY FOR APPROVAL OF THE NORTH KIRTLAND UNIT AGREEMENT EMBRACING 11,478 ACRES, MORE OR LESS, LOCATED IN TOWNSHIP 30 NORTH, RANGE 14 WEST, NMPM, SAN JUAN COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

## ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

## BY THE COMMISSION:

This cause came on for hearing at 9 o'clock a.m. on December 12, 1960, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Elvis A. Utz, Examiner duly appointed by the Oil Conservation Commission of New Mexico, hereinafter referred to as the "Commission," in accordance with Rule 1214 of the Commission Rules and Regulations.

NOW, on this 19th day of December, 1960, the Commission, a quorum being present, having considered the application, the evidence adduced, and the recommendations of the Examiner, Elvis A. Utz, and being fully advised in the premises,

FINDS:

(1) That due public notice having been given as required by law, the Commission has jurisdiction of this cause and the subject matter thereof.

(2) That the proposed unit plan will in principle tend to promote the conservation of oil and gas and the prevention of waste.

## IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

(1) That this order shall be known as the NORTH KIRTLAND UNIT AGREEMENT ORDER.

(2) (a) That the project herein referred to shall be known as the North Kirtland Unit Agreement and shall hereinafter be referred to as the "Project."

(b) That the Plan by which the project shall be operated shall be embraced in the form of a unit agreement for the -2-CASE No. 2140 Order No. R-1841

development and operation of the North Kirtland Unit Area, referred to in the Petitioner's petition and filed with said petition, and such plan shall be known as the North Kirtland Unit Agreement Plan.

(3) That the North Kirtland Unit Agreement Plan shall be, and hereby is, approved in principle as a proper conservation measure; provided, however, that notwithstanding any of the provisions contained in said unit agreement, this approval shall not be considered as waiving or relinquishing in any manner any right, duties, or obligations which are now, or may hereafter be, vested in the New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission by law relative to the supervision and control of operations for exploration and development of any lands committed to said North Kirtland Unit Agreement, or relative to the production of oil and gas therefrom.

(4) (a) That the unit area shall be:

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 Sections 1 and 2: All

 Section 3: SE/4

 Sections 10, 11, 12, 13, 14,

 15, 16: All

 Sections 21, 22, 23: All

 Section 26: N/2

 Sections 32: N/2

 Section 33: N/2

 Section 34: NW/4

containing 11,478 acres, more or less.

(b) The unit area may be enlarged or contracted as provided in said Plan; provided, however, that administrative approval for expansion or contraction of the unit area must also be obtained from the Secretary-Director of the Commission.

(5) That the unit operator shall file with the Commission an executed original or executed counterpart of the North Kirtland Unit Agreement within 30 days after the effective date thereof.

(6) That any party owning rights in the unitized substances who does not commit such rights to said agreement before the effective date thereof may thereafter become a party thereto by -3-CASE No. 2140 Order No. R-1841

subscribing to such agreement or counterpart thereof, or by ratifying the same. The unit operator shall file with the Commission within 30 days an original of any such counterpart or ratification.

(7) That this Order shall become effective upon the approval of said unit agreement by the Director of the United States Geological Survey and by the Commissioner of Public Lands for the State of New Mexico, and shall terminate <u>ipso</u> <u>facto</u> upon the termination of said unit agreement. The last unit operator shall immediately notify the Commission in writing of such termination.

DONE at Santa Fe, New Mexico, on the day and year hereinabove designated.

> STATE OF NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

JOHN BURROUGHS, Chairman

MURRAY E. MORGAN, Member

A. L. PORTER, Jr., Member & Secretary

