THE OHIO OIL COMPANY

P. O. Box 2107 Hobbs, New Mexico

February 20, 1961

U. S. Smalting, Refining and Mining Company Box 1877 Midland, Texas

Gent lemen:

Submitted herewith is a copy of an application to the New Mexico Oll Conservation Commission requesting authority to dually complete The Ohio Oll Company's Lea Unit, Well No. 4, located in Section 11, Township 20-S, Range 34-E, Lea County, New Hexico.

It is respectfully requested that you waive objection to the proposed dual completion by signing the two enclosed copies of this letter, and forwarding one copy to the New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission and returning the second copy to us at your earliest convenience. Enclosed, for your convenience are addressed, stamped envelopes.

Yours very truly,

THE OHIO OIL COMPANY

T. O. Webb

Area Petroleum Engineer

Objection Waived February 28 , 1961

by Smelting, Baruning and

Mining Company

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HOUSTON 1, TEXAS

February 9, 1961

Re: Lea-Devonian Pool and Lea-Bone Springs Pool in Township 20 South, Ranges 34 and 35 East, N.M.P.M., Lea County, New Mexico

New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission P. O. Box 871 Santa Fe, New Mexico

Attention: Mr. A. L. Porter, Jr.

Secretary-Director

Gentlemen:

The Ohio Oil Company, Operator of the Lea Unit created by Unit Agreement for the Development and Operation of the Lea Unit Area heretofore approved by Lea Unit Agreement Order No. R-1540 dated November 30, 1959, in Case No. 1823, acting with the concurrence of the other working interest owners in said Unit, hereby applies for authority to transfer allowables within the Lea Unit Area to the extent and in the manner hereinafter requested.

Applicant hereby requests authority to transfer the allowable of any well or wells now or hereafter completed within the Lea Unit in the Devonian formation, to any other well or wells now or hereafter completed within the Lea Unit in the Devonian formation, whenever, for whatever period of time and to whatever extent such transfer of allowable is, in the opinion of the Operator of the Lea Unit, necessary or advisable in connection with the taking of interference tests in the Devonian formation, subject, however, to the following restrictions:

- (1) Such authority to transfer allowables shall be in effect only for the period commencing on March 1, 1961 and extending to and including December 31, 1961.
- (2) No allowable shall be transferred to any well located within 660 feet of the Lea Unit boundary.
- (3) If any party's share of oil or gas produced from such formation by any well or wells from which any such allowable is to be transferred is different from such party's share of oil or gas produced from such formation by any well or wells to which any such allowable is to be transferred, such allowable cannot be so transferred without the consent of such party unless the Lea Unit working interest owner or owners desiring to transfer the allowable agree to account to such party for the oil and gas produced from such formation by said wells as though the allowable were not transferred.

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Applicant further requests authority to transfer the allowable of any well or wells now or hereafter completed within the Lea Unit in the Bone Springs formation, to any other well or wells now or hereafter completed within the Lea Unit in the Bone Springs formation, whenever, for whatever period of time and to whatever extent such transfer of allowable is, in the opinion of the Operator of the Lea Unit, necessary or advisable in connection with the taking of interference tests in the Bone Springs formation, subject, however, to the three restrictions set out above.

The authority to transfer allowables as herein requested is necessary to afford Unit Operator a reasonable opportunity to attempt the taking of effective interference tests within the respective formations identified above in accordance with the desires of the Commission as expressed in Order No. 1826, Case No. 2118, and Order No. 1827, Case No. 2119. The correlative rights of all interested parties will be adequately protected if the requested authority is granted subject to the restrictions stated above, and it is reasonable to expect that the proposed interference tests may provide additional information concerning the respective formations, which will aid in the prevention of waste and the protection of correlative rights.

The Ohio therefore requests that this application be set for hearing before the Commission, or an Examiner of the Commission, at the earliest possible date, and that notice be given as requested by the applicable laws and regulations. A list of the interested parties now known to applicant is attached.

Very truly yours,

THE OHIO OIL COMPANY

TC: MK

c - Mr. E. S. Johnny Walker Commissioner of Public Lands P. O. Box 791 Santa Fe, New Mexico

> Mr. John Anderson Regional Oil and Gas Supervisor United States Geological Survey P. O. Box 6721 Roswell, New Mexico

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