

BEFORE THE OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO

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

CASE No. 2431
Order No. R-2123

APPLICATION OF H. F. SEARS
FOR AN EXCEPTION TO RULE
107 (e), 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 November 8, 1961, 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 17th day of November, 1961, 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 applicant, H. F. Sears, seeks an exception to Rule 107 (e) of the Commission Rules and Regulations authorizing the completion of the Navajo Well No. 1-5 located in the NE/4 NE/4 of Section 5, Township 24 North, Range 10 West, NMPM, Bisti-Lower Gallup Oil Pool, San Juan County, New Mexico, as a 2 7/8-inch tubingless completion below the depth of 5000 feet.

(3) That the applicant has equipped the well with 2 7/8-inch casing to a depth of 5421 feet in the Gallup formation, and that said casing was cemented with a sufficient volume of cement to come back to a minimum of 224 feet above the top of the Gallup formation.

(4) That no productive zone exists between the bottom of the surface casing set at a depth of 179 feet and the top of the cement on the aforesaid 2 7/8-inch casing.

(5) That denial of the subject application would result in undue hardship to the applicant, and could result in the non-recovery of oil reserves in the NE/4 NE/4 of said Section 5.

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IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

(1) That the applicant, H. F. Sears, is hereby granted an exception to Rule 107 (e) of the Commission Rules and Regulations to permit the completion of the Navajo Well No. 1-5 located in the NE/4 NE/4 of Section 5, Township 24 North, Range 10 West, NMPM, Bisti-Lower Gallup Oil Pool, San Juan County, New Mexico, as a 2 7/8-inch tubingless completion below the depth of 5000 feet.

(2) That an allowable shall be assigned to said Navajo Well No. 1-5 as of the date of this order provided all other applicable rules and regulations of the Commission have been complied with.

(3) That jurisdiction of this cause is retained for the entry of such further orders as the Commission may deem necessary.

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

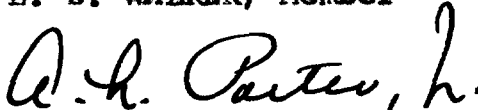
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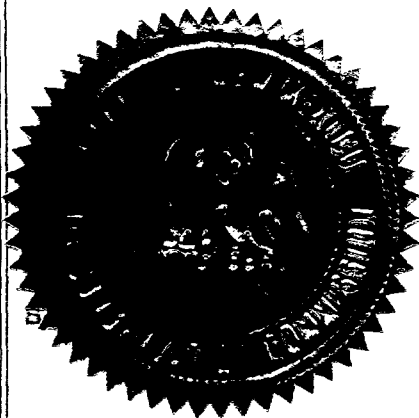
EDWIN L. MECHEM, Chairman



E. S. WALKER, Member



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



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