

# Gulf Oil Corporation

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Oil Conservation Commission  
State of New Mexico  
Post Office Box 871  
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Re: Application of Gulf Oil Corporation and Any Other  
Interested Party or Parties for Permission to Make  
Up Back-Allowable for Oil Which Was Not Produced  
During January, 1963 Due to Severe Cold Weather

Gentlemen:

Gulf Oil Corporation respectfully requests that a hearing be set to consider the making up of back-allowable for the month of January, 1963 to recover oil which was not produced in January due to severe cold weather.

In support of this application the following facts are submitted:

- (1) Sub-zero weather enveloped the entire State of New Mexico intermittently from January 12, to January 28, 1963 resulting in widespread shutdown of production.
- (2) During four separate cold snaps between January 12, and January 28, 1963 the temperature seldom exceeded 32° F., and only then for relatively short periods of time, with the result that some wells were unable to make up the lost production.
- (3) That the production lost was not directly or proximately caused by any operator's negligence, misfeasance or lack of ordinary care.
- (4) That Applicant, Gulf Oil Corporation, is ready and able to prove that it suffered an actual gross loss of 5,225 barrels from 25 wells situated in Southeast New Mexico, all of which are capable of producing at rates in excess of their allowables; and, upon information and belief, Applicant alleges that various other operators are able to prove similar losses of a substantial amount of oil.
- (5) That an equitable adjustment of such loss should be made insofar as non-marginal wells are concerned for the reason that such wells are entitled to a fair share of the general market.

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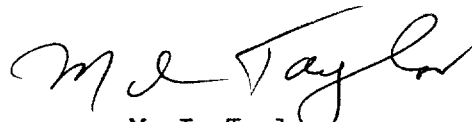
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Wherefore, Applicant respectfully requests that permission to produce the back-allowable be granted whereby Applicant and every other applicant in a similar condition may make up such production over a 60-day period.

Respectfully submitted,

GULF OIL CORPORATION



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