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October 25, 1968

Mr. Daniel S. Nutter New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission P. O. Box 2088 Santa Fe, New Mexico 87501

> RE: Ginsberg Federal No. 6 Justis Field Lea County, New Mexico

Dear Mr. Nutter:

Attached are three copies of the revised Exhibit 1 pertaining to CASE No. 3898, Tenneco Oil Company's application for Salt Water Disposal in the Ginsberg Federal No.6 well. Thank you for your consideration in allowing us to submit this revision after the hearing.

Very truly yours,

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'Al J. McDonald

District Superintendent

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Attachments

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October 21, 1968

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State of New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission Santa Fe, New Mexico

Att: Mr. A. L. Porter, Jr. Secretary-Director

Dear Mr. Porter:

As owner of the surface, I wish to oppose the application of Tenneco Oil Company to make a salt water disposal well out of Ginsberg-Federal Well No. 6, Unit E, Section 31, T-25-S, R-38-E, Lea County, New Mexico.

I oppose their application for the following reasons:

l.Rice Engineering Company is in the process of putting in a salt water disposal line at the present time and this line will serve all the operators adjacent to Tenneco's lease and this line is available to Tenneco and could well serve its needs without ad additional disposal well in the area. Rice Engineering Company will be picking up salt water from leases in all directions from and adjacent to the Tenneco lease, except to the east where there is no production. The fewer disposal wells we have the less chance there is of contaminating our fresh water zones.

2. I feel that Tenneco's application to inject salt water into an open hole from 3258 feet to 3341 feet should not be allowed due to the fact that Rice Engineering Company has a disposal well in the SEz of NEz, Section 2, T-26-S, R-37-E, Lea County, which is approximately one and three-fourths miles southwest of Tenneco's proposed disposal well, and they are required to inject the water below 3500 feet to protect any oil bearing formations above 3500 feet. 3. I note in the application by Tenneco that salt water will be injected through tubing set at 3246 feet into an open hole without a packer. Without the use of a packer the water would have a chance to go into any zone if there were a leak in any of the casing.

For the above reasons I request that the application for salt water disposal well by Tenneco Oil Company be denied.

Respectfully,

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November 4, 1968

Mr. Charles White White, Gilbert, Koch & Kelly Attorneys at Law Post Office Box 787 Santa Pe, New Mexico

Dear Sir:

Enclosed herewith is Commission Order No. R-3549, entered in Case No. 3898, approving the Tenneco Langlie Mattix Ginsberg Pilot Waterflood Project.

Initial injection is to be through the one authorized water injection well, which is to be equipped with plastic-coated tubing set in a packer at approximately 3230 feet.

The casing-tubing annulus shall be loaded with corrosion-inhibited fluid and equipped with a pressure gauge to facilitate detection of leakage in the casing, tubing, or packer.

As to allowable, our calculations indicate that when the authorized injection well has been placed on active injection, the maximum allowable which this project will be eligible to receive under the provisions of Rule 701-E-3 is 168 barrels per day when the Southeast New Mexico normal unit allowable is 42 barrels per day or less.

Please report any error in this calculated maximum allowable immediately, both to the Santa Fe office of the Commission and the appropriate district proration office.

In order that the allowable assigned to the project may be kept current, and in order that the operator may fully benefit from the allowable provisions of Rule 701, it behooves him to promptly notify both of the aforementioned Commission offices by letter of any change in the status

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of wells in the project area, i. e., when active injection commences, when additional injection or producing wells are drilled, when additional wells are acquired through purchase or unitization, when wells have received a response to water injection, etc.

Your cooperation in keeping the Commission so informed as to the status of the project and the wells therein will be appreciated.

Very truly yours,

A. L. PORTER, Jr. Secretary-Director

cc: Oil Conservation Commission Hobbs, New Mexico

> Mr. D. E. Gray, State Engineer Office, Santa Fe, New Mexico Mr. Glen Houston - Tom Linebery, Hobbs, New Mexico