

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

IN THE MATTER OF THE HEARING CALLED BY THE OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION, ON ITS OWN MOTION, TO PERMIT M. G. PETERS DRILLING COMPANY AND ALL INTERESTED PARTIES TO APPEAR AND SHOW CAUSE WHY THE GULF STATE WELL NO. 1, LOCATED 1650 FEET FROM THE NORTH LINE AND 990 FEET FROM THE EAST LINE OF SECTION 17, TOWNSHIP 10 SOUTH, RANGE 27 EAST, NMPM, CHAVES COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, AND THE HIGHTOWER STATE WELL NO. 1, LOCATED 846 FEET FROM THE SOUTH LINE AND 2310 FEET FROM THE EAST LINE OF SECTION 16, TOWNSHIP 10 SOUTH, RANGE 25 EAST, NMPM, CHAVES COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, SHOULD NOT BE PLUGGED IN ACCORDANCE WITH A COMMISSION-APPROVED PLUGGING PROGRAM.

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ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

BY THE COMMISSION:

This cause came on for hearing at 9 o'clock a.m. on October 24, 1962, 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 6th day of November, 1962, 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 Gulf State Well No. 1, located 1650 feet from the North line and 990 feet from the East line of Section 17, Township 10 South, Range 27 East, NMPM, Chaves County, New Mexico, and the Hightower State Well No. 1, located 846 feet from the South line and 2310 feet from the East line of Section 16, Township 10 South, Range 25 East, NMPM, Chaves County, New Mexico, are owned and operated by M. G. Peters Drilling Company.

(3) That the two subject wells have been abandoned by the operator and have not been plugged in any manner.

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(4) That the subject wells are causing or will cause waste and should be plugged in a manner which will confine permanently all oil, gas, and water in the separate strata originally containing them.

(5) That both subject wells should be plugged in accordance with the following minimum plugging requirements:

- (1) Set 25 sacks of cement at total depth.
- (2) Set 5 sacks of cement as a surface plug.
- (3) Fill interval between cement plugs with mud weighing not less than ten pounds per gallon.
- (4) Set in the surface plug a regulation steel marker not less than 4 inches in diameter and extending at least 4 feet above mean ground level.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

(1) That M. G. Peters Drilling Company is hereby ordered to plug the Gulf State Well No. 1, located 1650 feet from the North line and 990 feet from the East line of Section 17, Township 10 South, Range 27 East, NMPM, Chaves County, New Mexico, and the Hightower State Well No. 1, located 846 feet from the South line and 2310 feet from the East line of Section 16, Township 10 South, Range 25 East, NMPM, Chaves County, New Mexico, in accordance with the following minimum plugging requirements:

- (1) Set 25 sacks of cement at total depth.
- (2) Set 5 sacks of cement as a surface plug.
- (3) Fill interval between cement plugs with mud weighing not less than ten pounds per gallon.
- (4) Set in the surface plug a regulation steel marker not less than 4 inches in diameter and extending at least 4 feet above mean ground level.

(2) That the plugging of the two subject wells shall be completed on or before December 1, 1962, and that M. G. Peters Drilling Company shall notify the District Supervisor, District

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II, Oil Conservation Commission, Artesia, New Mexico, of the exact time and date plugging operations on each well are to commence.

(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 herein-  
above designated.

STATE OF NEW MEXICO  
OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION



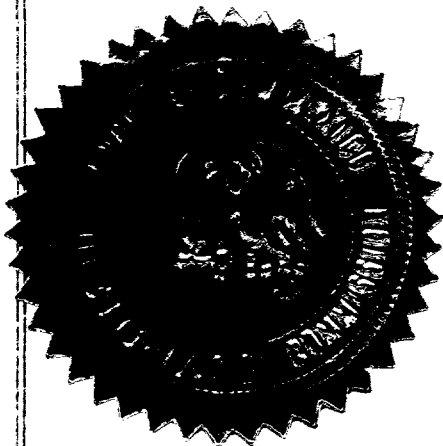
EDWIN L. MECHEM, Chairman



E. S. WALKER, Member



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



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