# BEFORE THE NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

IN RE: APPLICATION OF ANNE BURNETT WINDFOHR, d/b/as WINDFOHR OIL COMPANY, FOR AN EXCEPTION TO COMMISSION ORDER NO. R-3221, AS AMENDED, SAID EXCEPTION AUTHORIZING DISPOSAL OF WATER PRODUCED FROM WINDFOHR OIL COMPANY-GISSLER B NO. 4 WELL, LOCATED IN NW LNE OF SECTION 8, TOWNSHIP 17 SOUTH, RANGE 30 EAST, N.M.P.M., EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, IN AN UNLINED SURFACE PIT.

Case No. 4319

## APPLICATION

COMES NOW Anne Burnett Windfohr, an individual, d/b/as
Windfohr Oil Company, and hereby makes application for an Exception
to Commission Order No. R-3221, as amended, said Exception authorizing
disposal in an unlined surface pit of water produced from Windfohr
Oil Company-Gissler B No. 4 well, located in Unit B (NW½NE½) of
Section 8, Township 17 South, Range 30 East, N.M.P.M., Eddy County,
New Mexico; and, in support of this Application, states:

- 1. That applicant is the operator of the said Windfohr
  Oil Company-Gissler B No. 4 well, which is producing from the
  Grayburg-Jackson (Grayburg-San Andres) pool. Said well is nearing
  an unprofitable stage of operation, and the expenditure of additional
  money for an underground disposal facility is not justified.
- 2. Applicant proposes, if the same be authorized, to dispose of water produced from the said Windfohr Oil Company-Gissler B No. 4 well in an unlined surface pit. Such proposed procedure will require an Exception to Commission Order No. R-3221, as amended, which Order prohibits, subject to minor exceptions, the disposal of produced water in surface pits. Applicant submits that said exception is justified for the following reasons:

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- (a) That there appear to be no shallow fresh water wells in the vicinity of the said Windfohr Oil Company-Gissler No. 4 well; and
- (b) That there appears to be no shallow fresh water in the vicinity of the said Windfohr Oil Company-Gissler B No. 4 well for which a present or reasonably foreseeable beneficial use is or will be made that would be impaired by contamination.
- 3. That a map of the area outlining the lease and showing the well involved in this application is attached hereto, marked Exhibit "A" and made a part hereof.
- 4. Recent production tests on the Windfohr Oil Company-Gissler B No. 4 well showed production of 3 BOPD and 15 BWPD.

WHEREFORE, applicant requests a hearing before an examiner, and requests an Order granting an Exception to Commission Order No. R-3221, as amended, as more particularly set out hereinabove.

ANNE BURNETT WINDFOHR, d/b/as WINDFOHR OIL COMPANY

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#### CASE 4263: (Continued from the November 25, 1969 Examiner Hearing

Application of Wynn & Brooks for an unorthodox gas well location, San Juan County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the abovestyled cause, seeks approval for the unorthodox location of its Federal "E" Well No. 3, to be located 590 feet from the South line and 1590 feet from the West line of Section 13, Township 27 North, Range 8 West, Blanco-Mesaverde and Basin-Dakota Pools, San Juan County, New Mexico.

#### CASE 4264: (Continued from the November 25, 1969, Examiner Hearing)

Application of Wynn & Brooks for an unorthodox gas well location, San Juan County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the abovestyled cause, seeks approval for the unorthodox location of its Federal "J" Well No. 1, to be located 2390 feet from the South line and 2410 feet from the East line of Section 11, Township 27 North, Range 8 West, Blanco-Mesaverde and Basin-Dakota Pools, San Juan County, New Mexico.

CASE 4278: Application of Anne Burnett Windfohr, dba Windfohr Oil Company, for an exception to Order No. R-3221, as amended, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the abovestyled cause, seeks an exception to Order No. R-3221, as amended, which order prohibits the disposal of water produced in conjunction with the production of oil on the surface of the ground in Lea, Eddy, Chaves, and Roosevelt Counties, New Mexico. Said exception would be for applicant's Gissler B Wells Nos. 11 and 12, located, respectively, in Units J and I of Section 23, Township 17 South, Range 30 East, Jackson-Abo Pool, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant seeks authority to dispose of salt water produced by said wells in unlined surface pits in the vicinity of said wells.

CASE 4279:

Application of Anne Burnett Windfohr, dba Windfohr Oil Company, for an exception to Order No. R-3221, as amended, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an exception to Order No. R-3221, as amended, which order prohibits the disposal of water produced in conjunction with the production of oil on the surface of the ground in Lea, Eddy, Chaves, and Roosevelt Counties, New Mexico. Said exception would be for applicant's Gissler B Well No. 4 located in Unit B of Section 8, Township 17 South, Range 30 East, Grayburg-Jackson Pool, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant seeks authority to dispose of salt water produced by said well in an unlined surface pit in the vicinity of said well.

#### DOCKET: EXAMINER HEARING - WEDNESDAY - DECEMBER 17, 1969

9:30 A. M. - OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION CONFERENCE ROOM, STATE LAND OFFICE BUILDING - SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

The following cases will be heard before Daniel S. Nutter, Examiner, or Elvis A. Utz, Alternate Examiner:

- CASE 4276: Application of Humble Oil & Refining Company for a special gas-oil ratio limitation, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an exception to Rule 506 of the Commission Rules and Regulations to provide for a limiting gas-oil ratio of 6,000 cubic feet of gas per barrel of oil in the Oil Center-Blinebry Pool, Lea County, New Mexico.
- CASE 4277: Application of Pan American Petroleum Corporation for two unorthodox gas well locations, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico.

  Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval of two unorthodox gas well locations in Township 26 North, Range 4
  West, Blanco-Mesaverde Gas Pool, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico, as follows:

Jicarilla Apache 102 Well No. 15 located 790 feet from the South line and 1190 feet from the East line of Section 9;

Jicarilla Apache 102 Well No. 16 located 1070 feet from the South line and 1450 feet from the East line of Section 10.

CASE 3455: (Reopened) Continued from the November 5, 1969 Examiner Hearing

In the matter of Case No. 3455 being reopened pursuant to the provisions of Order No. R-2565-B, which order, among other things, established 320-acre spacing units for the West Puerto Chiquito-Mancos Oil Pool, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico, for a period of three years. All interested parties may appear and show cause why said pool should not be developed on 40-acre spacing units.

CASE 4257: (Continued from the November 19, 1969 Regular Hearing)

Application of Sohio Petroleum Company for salt water disposal, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks authority to dispose of produced salt water into the San Andres formation in the open-hole interval from 4920 feet to 4995 feet in its Phillips Lea SWD Well No. 4 located in Unit M of Section 31, Township 17 South, Range 34 East, Vacuum Grayburg-San Andres Pool, Lea County, New Mexico.

- CASE 4291: Application of Atlantic Richfield Company for salt water disposal, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks authority to dispose of produced salt water into the Yates formation in the perforated and open-hole interval from 2892 feet to 3164 feet in its W. F. Hanagan Well No. 4 located 2173 feet from the South and West lines of Section 12, Township 25 South, Range 36 East, Jalmat Pool, Lea County, New Mexico.
- CASE 4292: Application of Continental Oil Company for a non-standard gas proration unit, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks the consolidation of two existing non-standard gas proration units into one 320-acre non-standard unit comprising the S/2 N/2 and the SE/4 of Section 1, Township 22 South, Range 36 East, Eumont Gas Pool, Lea County, New Mexico to be dedicated to its Lockhart B-1 Wells Nos. 4 and 6, located in Units G and P, respectively, of said Section 1. Applicant further seeks authority to produce the allowable assigned to said unit from either of the aforesaid wells in any proportion.
- CASE 4778: (Continued from the December 17th Examiner Hearing and will be dismissed). Application of Anne Burnett Windfohr, dba Windfohr Oil Company, for an exception to Order No. R-3221, as amended, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an exception to Order No. R-3221, as amended, which order prohibits the disposal of water produced in conjunction with the production of oil on the surface of the ground in Lea, Eddy, Chaves, and Roosevelt Counties, New Mexico. Said exception would be for applicant's Gissler B.Wells Nos. 11 and 12, located, respectively, in Units J and I of Section 23, Township 17 South, Range 30 East, Jackson-Abo Pool, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant seeks authority to dispose of salt water produced by said wells in unlined surface pits in the vicinity of said wells.

CASE 4279:

(Continued from the December 17th Examiner Hearing and will be dismissed).

Application of Anne Burnett Windfohr, dba Windfohr Oil Company, for an exception to Order No. R-3221, as amended, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an exception to Order No. R-3221, as amended, which order prohibits the disposal of water produced in conjunction with the production of oil on the surface of the ground in Lea, Eddy, Chaves, and Roosevelt Counties, New Mexico. Said exception would be for applicant's Gissler B Well No. 4 located in Unit B of Section 8, Township 17 South, Range 30 East, Grayburg-Wackson Pool, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant seeks authority to dispose of salt water produced by said well in an unlined surface pit in the vicinity of said well.