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August 27, 1971

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New Mexico 0il Conservation Commission P. 0. Box 2088 Santa Fe, New Mexico 87501

Attention Mr. A. L. Porter, Jr. Secretary Director

Gentlemen:

Application for Exception to Order R-3221 - W. R. Means Lease - Vest Ranch, Queen Pool, Chaves County, New Mexico

Enclosed in triplicate is our application for exception to Order R-3221, for our W. R. Means Lease in the Vest Ranch, Queen Pool. Please set this matter for hearing on the September 15, 1971, Examiner Docket.

Yours very truly,

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

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF CONTINENTAL OIL COMPANY FOR EXCEPTION TO ORDER NO. R-3221, TO PERMIT DISPOSAL OF PRODUCED WATER INTO AN UNLINED SURFACE PIT ON ITS W. R. MEANS LEASE IN SECTION 28, TOWNSHIP 14 SOUTH, RANGE 30 EAST, VEST RANCH, QUEEN POOL, CHAVES COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

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## APPLICATION

Continental Oil Company, Applicant, hereby requests exception to Order

No. R-3221 for approval to produce into an unlined surface pit water

produced from its wells on the W. R. Means Lease located in Section 28, Township

14 South, Range 30 East, Chaves County, New Mexico in the Vest Ranch, Queen

Pool, and in support thereof would show:

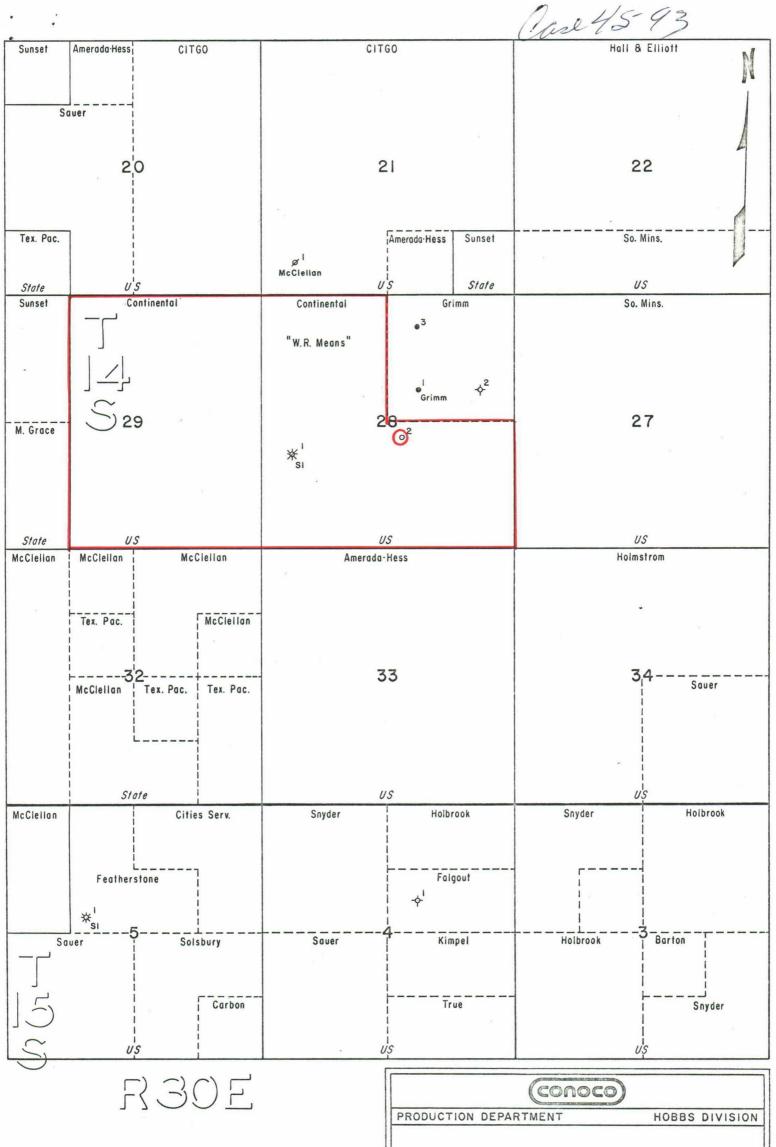
- Applicant is the owner of the W. R. Means Lease consisting of \$/2
  and NW/4 of Section 28, and E/2 and E/2 W/2 Section 29, Township
  14 South, Range 30 East, Chaves County, New Mexico.
- 2. Applicant has drilled and completed its W. R. Means Well No. 2 as an oil well in the Vest Ranch, Queen Pool at a location 2310' from the south line and 2310' from the east line of said Section 28.
- 3. Said well is indicated to produce small quantities of water, and it is anticipated that other wells to be drilled on the lease will also produce some water.
- 4. There is presently no practical means of disposing of said produced water except in surface pits.
- 5. Evidence available to applicant indicates that there will be no contamination to fresh water sources in the area of said lease by utilizing unlined surface pits.
- 6. That the granting of this application will not cause waste nor impair correlative rights.

WHEREFORE, Applicant requests this matter be set for hearing before the Commission's duly appointed Examiner and that upon hearing an order be entered granting an exception to Order R-3221 and authorizing the use of an unlined surface pit as described above.

Respectfully submitted,

CONTINENTAL OIL COMPANY

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November 16, 1971

New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission P. O. Box 2088 Santa Fe, New Mexico 87501

Attention Mr. A. L. Porter, Jr. Secretary Director

Gentlemen:

Case No. 4593 - Exception to Order No. R-3221

Case No. 4593 has been continued from time to time since the only well on our W. R. Means Lease still is not producing water. We are expecting to drill at least one more well in the near future and consequently feel that there may be need to proceed with this matter at that time. It is respectfully requested that Case No. 4593 be continued to your December 15, 1971, Examiner Hearing.

Yours very truly,

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