

BEFORE THE OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION  
OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF  
ROBERT P. WALLACH, RAY A. WALLACH,  
AND PATRICIA LOUISE WALLACH HOUSE,  
OR THEIR ASSIGNS, FOR PERMISSION  
TO CONSTRUCT AND OPERATE SURFACE PITS  
FOR THE DISPOSAL OF OILFIELD BRINE IN  
LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO AS AN EXCEPTION  
TO COMMISSION ORDER R-3221.

P E T I T I O N

COMES NOW Robert P. Wallach, Ray A. Wallach, and Patricia Louise Wallach House, or their assigns, hereinafter called "Wallach", by and through their attorney, R. E. Richards, moving the Commission for an Order authorizing an exception to Oil Conservation Commission Order No. R-3221, and in support thereof, states:

1. That applicants are the owners in fee simple of land located in the Southwest Quarter of Section 29, Township 21 South, Range 38 East, N.M.P.M., Lea County, New Mexico; and that within said land is an area in which applicants propose to operate a surface disposal system for oilfield brine.


2. That attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference, as if fully set forth herein, is Exhibit "A", the same being an evaluation of Ed L. Reed & Associates, Consulting Hydrologists, including an analysis of the proposed facility, recommendations and directions for its construction and operation.

3. That there exists in the area to be served by applicants a substantial need for a facility such as is proposed for the disposal of oilfield brines.

4. That the application and operation proposed hereby will not result in the contamination of any fresh-water supply in the area proposed to be served.

5. That the Commission should authorize the construction of surface pits for the disposal of oilfield brine as specified, described and located in Exhibit "A" hereto; that in conjunction therewith the Commission should require a certification by Ed L. Reed & Associates prior to the beginning of operation that the facility has been constructed as described in Exhibit "A", and upon receipt of such certification an operational order should be forthcoming.

WHEREFORE, premises considered, movants pray the Commission authorize the construction operation of surface pits for the disposal of oilfield brines in the Southwest Quarter of Section 29, Township 21 South, Range 38 East, N.M.P.M., Lea County, New Mexico.

  
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