

BEFORE THE OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO

IN THE MATTER OF THE HEARING
CALLED BY THE OIL CONSERVATION
COMMISSION OF NEW MEXICO FOR
THE PURPOSE OF CONSIDERING:

CASE NO. 812
Order No. R-628

THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION
OF THE COMMISSION UPON ITS OWN
MOTION FOR AN ORDER DIRECTED TO
ROY E. TIMMONS, DOING BUSINESS AS
THE TIMMONS CARBONIC COMPANY,
TO APPEAR AND SHOW CAUSE WHY THE
KERLIN NO. 1 WELL IN THE SE/4 NW/4,
SECTION 34, TOWNSHIP 21 NORTH, RANGE
30 EAST, NMPM, HARDING COUNTY, NEW
MEXICO, SHOULD NOT BE ORDERED
PLUGGED.

ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

BY THE COMMISSION:

This cause came on for hearing at 9 o'clock a. m. on March 16, 1955, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, having been successively continued from the original hearing date of January 13, 1955, before the Oil Conservation Commission of New Mexico, hereinafter referred to as the "Commission".

NOW, on this 12th., day of May, 1955, the Commission, a quorum being present, having considered the testimony adduced and the exhibits received at said hearing, 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 Kerlin No. 1 carbon dioxide well, located in the SE/4 NW/4 of Section 34, Township 21 North, Range 30 East, NMPM, Harding County, New Mexico, was last operated by Roy E. Timmons, doing business as the Timmons Carbonic Company of Denver, Colorado.
- (3) That the Kerlin No. 1 carbon dioxide well was carried to a total depth of 988 feet and was completed as a producing well on May 15, 1931.
- (4) That a proper plugging bond, with a responsible surety company as surety, has not been maintained by Roy E. Timmons, as is required by Rule 101 of the Rules and Regulations of this Commission.

(5) That Roy E. Timmons is responsible for the operation and maintenance of subject well and facilities necessary to the operation thereof.

(6) That said well is presently in a state of disrepair and constitutes a threat to the well-being of individuals and properties in the vicinity.

(7) That said well is currently venting carbon dioxide gas to the atmosphere through the stuffing box, thereby contributing to the waste of a valuable natural resource.

(8) That said well can be restored to a safe condition only after extensive workover operations or abandonment.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

(1) That Roy E. Timmons forthwith submit to the Commission for its approval a proper plugging bond, pursuant to Rule 101 of the Rules and Regulations of this Commission.

(2) That Roy E. Timmons cause the No. 1 Kerlin carbon dioxide well in the SE/4 NW/4 of Section 34, Township 21 North, Range 30 East, NMPM, Harding County, New Mexico, to be repaired or plugged within 60 days following the effective date of this order.

(3) That in the event Roy E. Timmons chooses to plug and abandon said well, such plugging shall be accomplished by setting ten (10) sacks neat cement at total depth, and spotting an additional ten (10) sacks neat cement at a depth of 700 feet. Further, a plug consisting of ten (10) sacks neat cement shall be set at the surface and a regulation marker placed therein. Intervals between plugs shall be filled with heavy mud. The location shall be levelled and cleared of junk.

(4) Upon completion of plugging or workover operations, the Commission shall be notified of such completion, and an authorized representative of the Commission shall inspect the well and location. Pertinent information concerning the plugging or workover operation shall be filed with the Commission on Form C-103.

PROVIDED FURTHER, that failure to comply with this order within the 60 days allotted for compliance shall render said Roy E. Timmons liable to prosecution under Section 24 (b) of the Conservation Act (Chapter 168 of the Laws of 1949).

DONE at Santa Fe, New Mexico on the day and year hereinabove designated.

STATE OF NEW MEXICO
OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

John F. Simms, Chairman

E. S. Walker, Member

W. B. Macey, Member and Secretary