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# 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 NORMAN R. JONES AND ALL OTHER INTERESTED PERSONS TO APPEAR AND SHOW CAUSE WHY HIS STATE A WELL NO. 1 LOCATED IN THE NE/4 SE/4 OF SECTION 16, TOWNSHIP 30 SOUTH, RANGE 14 WEST, NMPM, HIDALGO COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, SHOULD NOT BE PLUGGED AND ABANDONED IN ACCORDANCE WITH A COMMISSION-APPROVED PLUGGING PROGRAM.

CASE No. 4492 Order No. R-4104

### ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

## BY THE COMMISSION:

This cause came on for hearing at 9 a.m. on February 3, 1971, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner Daniel S. Nutter.

NOW, on this 17th day of February, 1971, the Commission, a quorum being present, having considered the testimony, the record, and the recommendations of the Examiner, 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 Norman R. Jones is the owner and operator of the Norman R. Jones State A Well No. 1, located in the NE/4 SE/4 of Section 16, Township 30 South, Range 14 West, NMPM, Hidalgo County, New Mexico.
- (3) That the Norman R. Jones State A Well No. 1 has been abandoned and should be plugged in order to confine permanently all oil, gas, and/or water in the separate strata originally containing them in order to prevent waste and protect correlative rights.

## IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

(1) That Norman R. Jones is hereby ordered to plug the Norman R. Jones State A Well No. 1, located in the NE/4 SE/4 of

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Section 16, Township 30 South, Range 14 West, NMPM, Hidalgo County, New Mexico, in accordance with the following minimum plugging program:

- 1. Pull seven-inch casing.
- 2. Clean out hole to at least 2450 feet.
- 3. Set a 25-sack cement plug at 2450 feet.
- 4. Set a 50-sack cement plug at 1300 feet.
- 5. Set a 35-sack cement plug at 350 feet.
- 6. Set a 5-sack cement plug at the surface.
- 7. Fill the intervals between plugs with mud weighing not less than 10 pounds per gallon.
- 8. 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 Norman R. Jones shall complete plugging operations on the above-described well on or before March 15, 1971, and shall notify the District Supervisor, District 2, Oil Conservation Commission, Drawer DD, Artesia, New Mexico, of the exact date and time plugging operations are to commence.
- (3) That any deviation from the above plugging program shall be permitted only upon a showing of good cause therefor and with the written consent of the Secretary-Director of the Commission.
- (4) 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 hereinabove designated.

STATE OF NEW MEXICO
OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

BRUCE KING, Chairman

ALEX J. ARMIJO, Member

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

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