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August 5, 1969

MEMORANDUM TO THE COMMISSION:

DOCKET NO. 6-59,440

RE:

Commission called hearing to determine whether or not plugging should be ordered on the Geralda M. Trapp Well No. 4, Beulah Miles, East Texas Field, Gregg County, and Kincaid-Moseley Well No. 4, East Texas Field, Gregg County,

Texas

DATE OF HEARING:

June 30, 1969

APPEARANCES:

W. D. Lawrence, Jr. and Mrs. Geralda M. Trapp for Geralda M. Trapp; Lloyd Lochridge for Humble Oil & Refining Co.; Stanley Hornsby for Gulf Oil Corp.

This was one of several hearings called by the Commission to consider whether or not plugging orders should be issued on certain court order wells in the East Texas Field.

The No. 4, Beulah Miles well is 1 of 4 wells on a 7.88 acre tract. The other 3 wells are all top allowable wells. The No. 4 well was granted in 1940, and the permit for the well was finally set aside and enjoined from production in 1943. It has been sealed since that time.

The No. 4, Kincaid-Moseley well is also 1 of 4 wells located on a 7.88 acre tract, with the other three wells listed as top allowable wells. The well is sealed with Railroad Commission seals, but is capable of immediate production. Original permit for the well was granted in 1940 and was cancelled by court order in 1943. Application for reissuance of the permit in 1943 was denied.

At the hearing, the operator testified that there had not been sufficient time to determine what action, if any, the operator wanted to take in regard to either of these wells and an indefinite recess of the hearing was requested.

Protestants, Humble Oil & Refining Co. and Gulf Oil Corporation, request that an immediate plugging order be issued.

It is the recommendation of the writer that the operator be given a period, not to exceed 60 days, within which to either file application for use of the wells or an intent to plug.

Respectfully submitted

J. Brooks Peden
Senior Legal Examiner

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