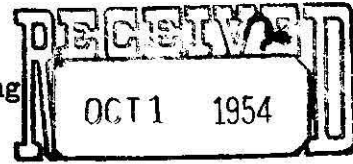


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# SINCLAIR OIL & GAS COMPANY

704 Central Bank Building  
Denver 2, Colorado  
September 30, 1954



OIL & GAS  
CONSERVATION COMMISSION

The Oil & Gas Conservation Commission  
of the State of Colorado  
1162½ Elati  
Denver, Colorado

Attention: Annabel Hogsett

Gentlemen:

Cause No. 44 dated September 3, 1954, covered the application of New Drilling Company, Continental, Shell and Stanolind for forty-acre drilling and spacing units for the "J" Sand underlying Sections 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 15, 16, 17, 18, E½ 19, 20, 21, 22, Township 3 South, Range 56 West, referred to as Big Beaver Field, Washington County, Colorado, and set for hearing September 28, 1954.

Prior to hearing date Continental contacted Sinclair Oil & Gas Company, holding leases in this proposed spaced area and inquired as to our thoughts in regard to the forty-acre drilling and spacing units. We at that time advised them we were for forty-acre drilling units with optional spacing on the forty in either corner and keeping the wells 1320 feet between wells on same leases. They then advised that they would call a meeting of the various operators in the proposed spaced area in order to arrive at a common understanding, and as no meeting of operators had as yet been called, we naturally assumed the hearing on September 28th would not be held but would be continued.

We now learn hearing was had on September 28th and forty-acre units established with location of wells to be in the center of forties, and that no mention was made by Continental of Sinclair's views in the matter.

With the large amount of acreage which is involved in this proposed spaced area, we strongly protest the spacing of wells in the center of forties, as it leaves you no alternative to go to twenty-acre units at some later date if future development would justify same. We at the present strongly favor one well to a forty, with the right to locate well in either corner of forty, which would permit later going to twenty-acre units if the production and further development justifies.



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We, therefore, kindly request the Honorable Commission to not grant said application heard on September 28th, and that the application be opened for further hearing to give Sinclair and any other interested operators an opportunity to be heard in the matter.

Will you please advise if we will be entitled to this consideration?

Yours very truly,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "C. W. Forstner", is written over the typed name.

Vice President

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