OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION COMMISSION
4515 N. 7th Avenue
Phoenix, Arizona 85013

Minutes of Meeting
February 19, 1971

Present:
Mr. Ralph W. Bilby, Chairman
Mr. Lucien B. Owens, Member
Mr. W. Roger Hafford, Member
Mr. Frank E. Moore, Member
Mr. Robert A. Bledsoe, Member

The regular Commission meeting for the month of February, 1971 was called to order by Chairman Ralph Bilby at 10:00 a.m.

The minutes of the meeting of January 15, 1971 were approved as written.

Reports of Executive Secretary, Enforcement Section and Geology Section were accepted.

Executive Secretary reported that two legislative bills have been prepared and presented to the House of Representatives. House Bill 147 defines and corrects certain terms and definitions and establishes consistent timing for operator reports to the Commission. House Bill 290 grants the Commission authority to charge for reproduction services, establishes fees the Commission may collect to offset general operation expenses, and further specifies that the applicant for a hearing must bear the cost of the hearing.

Dr. J. J. Wright advised of a geophysical mapping program being prepared by the University of Arizona. Dr. Wright also stated that Senator Fannin has sponsored a bill in the United States Senate relative to thermal investigations. Senator Fannin feels, and Dr. Wright concurs, that Arizona is in a prime position for increased investigations in this field. Control of new wells developed under this program would be the responsibility of the Commission.

Mr. Moore suggested that the Commission seek legislation to offer a tax incentive for the first discovery well of a structure for a certain period of years. After discussion, the Executive Secretary was instructed to contact other states to determine what incentives have been offered elsewhere and to report his findings at the next regular meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 10:45 a.m.

APPROVED

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Ralph W. Bilby, Chairman