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

Minutes of Meeting
March 17, 1972

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

Absent: Mr. Lucien B. Owens, Member

The regular Commission meeting for the month of March, 1972 was called to order by Chairman Ralph Bilby at 10:00 a.m.

Minutes of the meeting of February 25, 1972 were approved as written.

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

Executive Secretary reported on the Executive Committee meeting of the Interstate Oil Compact Commission in Denver on March 14, 1972. Mr. Ralph Bilby has been re-named a member of the Legal Committee. In addition to serving on the Executive Committee, the Executive Secretary has been appointed to the Regulatory Practices Committee and the Environmental Protection Advisory Committee. The Executive Committee (I.O.C.C.) was advised that the rule of the Department of the Interior calling for an environmental impact statement for any well drilled on public lands (Federal lands) has been modified so that a statement need be made only when called for. It was felt that this method would be less restrictive.

Executive Secretary was authorized to travel to Farmington, New Mexico, to address the Four Corners Chapter of the Petroleum Engineers Association on March 20, 1972.

Executive Secretary advised that jurisdiction of the salt mining operation at Glendale Avenue and Dysart Road, west of Phoenix, has now been turned over to the Environmental Protection Agency of the Health Department and all files have been delivered to the Agency. All persons involved have been advised. The two water wells used in the operation will remain under jurisdiction of the Commission, as bonds are in force to the Commission and the Environmental Protection Agency is not prepared to control the wells. The Commission has not been advised as to the disposition of the $2,000 in the current budget which was provided for monitoring purposes.

The Geology Section was instructed to confer with Dr. Wright of the Department of Geosciences, University of Arizona, and present
their findings at the next Commission meeting on ways and means to stimulate exploration for oil and gas in Arizona.

Meeting adjourned at 11:30 a.m.

APPROVED  April 21, 1972

Ralph W. Bilby, Chairman