

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

Minutes of Meeting
February 16, 1973

Present:

Mr. Ralph W. Bilby, Chairman
Mr. W. Roger Hafford, Vice Chairman
Mr. Robert A. Bledsoe, Member
Mr. F. Keith Benton, Member

The regular Commission meeting for the month of February, 1973 was called to order by Chairman Ralph Bilby at 10:00 a.m.

Minutes of the meeting of January 19, 1973 were approved as written.

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

Executive Secretary advised that House Bill 2131, the bill requested by the Commission to authorize it to charge fees for certain services, was introduced by Representative C. W. Lewis and has been passed by the Natural Resources Committee of the House of Representatives. The bill is still to go through the Ways and Means and the Rules Committees. House Bill 2006 would create a Natural Resources Commission and would combine several of the state agencies, however the Oil and Gas Conservation Commission would not be included. House Bill 2108 would create a Department of Science and Technology and would include the Oil and Gas Conservation Commission. This bill is still in committees.

Mr. Mike O'Donnell of Geothermal Kinetics Systems Corporation, which is drilling the first geothermal well in the State of Arizona, advised of the interest generated in the drilling. A steam purchase contract has been entered into with Arizona Public Service, Salt River Project and Tucson Gas and Electric Companies, in the event the drilling is successful.

General discussion followed on the diminishing supply of natural energy sources in the United States.

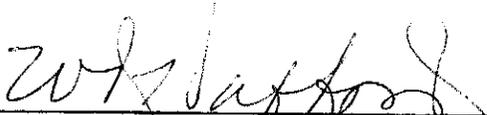
Executive Secretary advised that the Auditor General has completed an audit of the Commission records covering the period July 1, 1972 through December 31, 1972 and an audit report will be issued shortly.

Executive Secretary advised that the second payment of \$5,000 from the Four Corners Regional Commission for a technical assistance grant for geophysical and geological exploration conducted

by the University of Arizona under the direction of the Commission, as described at the regular Commission meeting of July 21, 1972, is now being processed.

Meeting adjourned at 11:40 a.m.

APPROVED



Ralph W. Bilby, Chairman

Also present at above meeting:

Dr. J. J. Wright, Assistant Dean
Department of Geosciences
University of Arizona
Tucson, Arizona

Mr. A. K. Doss
Chief, Minerals Section
State Land Department
Phoenix, Arizona

Mr. Mike O'Donnell
General Manager
Geothermal Kinetics Systems Corp.
Phoenix, Arizona