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STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA
DEPARTMENT OF MINES
OIL AND GAS DIVISION
DRILL DEEPER

NOTICE OF PROPOSED LOCATION OF OIL AND GAS WELL

To THE DEPARTMENT OF MINES,
Charleston, W. Va.

No coal operations in vicinity
COAL OPERATOR OR COAL OWNER

ADDRESS

COAL OPERATOR OR COAL OWNER

Surface: ADDRESS

Viola & J.E. Ferrebee
OWNER OF MINERAL RIGHTS

Reader, W. Va.
ADDRESS

Hope Natural Gas Company.
NAME OF WELL OPERATOR

445 West Main St. Clarksburg, W. Va.
COMPLETE ADDRESS

May 18, 1945., 19

PROPOSED LOCATION

Green, District

Netzel County

Well No. 5440 ^{39° 35'}
_{80° 40'}

B.F. Fox Farm

GENTLEMEN:

The undersigned well operator is entitled to drill upon the above named farm or tract of land for oil and gas, having fee title thereto, (or as the case may be) under grant or lease dated _____, made by _____, to _____, and recorded on the _____ day of _____, in the office of the County Clerk for said County in Book _____, page _____.

The enclosed plat was prepared by a competent engineer and shows the proposed location of a well to be drilled for oil and gas by the undersigned well operator on the farm and in the Magisterial District and County above named, determined by survey and courses and distances from two permanent points, or land marks.

The undersigned well operator is informed and believes there are no coal operators operating beds of coal beneath said farm or tract of land on which said well is located, or within 500 feet of the boundaries of the same, who have mapped their workings and filed their maps as required by law, excepting the coal operators or coal owners (if any) above named as addressees.

The above named coal operators or coal owners (if any) are notified that any objections they may desire to make to such proposed location, or which they are required to make by Section 3 of said Code, if the drilling of a well at said proposed location will cause a dangerous condition in or about their respective coal mines, must be received by, or filed with the Department of Mines within ten* days from the receipt of a copy of this notice and accompanying plat by said Department. Said coal operators are further notified that forms for use in making such objections will be furnished to them by the Department of Mines promptly on request and that all such objections must set forth as definitely as is reasonably possible the ground or grounds on which such objections are based and indicate the direction and distance the proposed location should be moved to overcome same.

(The next paragraph is to be completed only in Department's copy.)

Copies of this notice and the enclosed plat were mailed by registered mail, or delivered to the above named coal operators or coal owners at their above shown respective address _____ day before, or on the same day with the mailing or delivery of this copy to the Department of Mines at Charleston, West Virginia.

Very truly yours,
Hope Natural Gas Company.

Ass't. to Gen. Sup^r Well Operator

445 West Main St.

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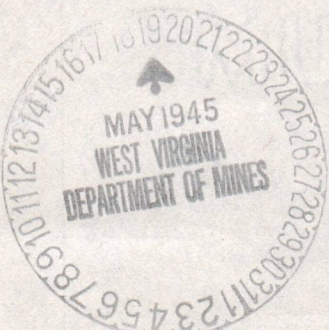
Clarksburg,

CITY OR TOWN

West Virginia.

STATE

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Address of Well Operator }

*Section 3 If no such objections be filed or be found by the department of mines, within said period of ten days from the receipt of said notice and plat by the department of mines, to said proposed location, the department shall forthwith issue to the well operator a drilling permit reciting the filing of such plat, that no objections have been made by the coal operators to the location, or found thereto by the department, and that the same is approved and the well operator authorized to proceed to drill at said location.



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STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA
DEPARTMENT OF MINES
OIL AND GAS DIVISION

NOTICE OF PROPOSED LOCATION OF OIL AND GAS WELL

To The Department of Mines
Charleston, W. Va.

NAME OF WELL OPERATOR: W. L. Fox

ADDRESS: 115 E. 1st St., Charleston, W. Va.

COAL OPERATOR OR COAL OWNER: W. L. Fox

ADDRESS: 115 E. 1st St., Charleston, W. Va.

OWNER OF MINERAL RIGHTS: W. L. Fox

ADDRESS: 115 E. 1st St., Charleston, W. Va.

PROPOSED LOCATION: Section 12, T12N, R12E, M12S

District: Green

County: Putnam

Well No.: 3440

Farm: 115 E. 1st St., Charleston, W. Va.

Gentlemen:

The undersigned well operator is entitled to drill upon the above named farm or tract of land for oil and gas having fee title thereto, (or as the case may be) under grant or lease dated _____, made by _____, and recorded on the _____ day of _____, in the office of the County Clerk for said County in _____, page _____ of _____

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(The next paragraph is to be completed only in Department's copy.)

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Very truly yours,
W. L. Fox
 Well Operator

Address of Well Operator:

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*Section 3. If no such objections be filed or be found by the department of mines within said period of ten days from the receipt of this notice and plat by the department of mines, the department shall forthwith issue to the well operator a drilling permit requiring the filing of such plat, notwithstanding any objections that may have been made by the coal operators to the location, or found there by the department, and that the same is approved and the well operator authorized to proceed to drill at said location.

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May 31, 1945.

Hope Natural Gas Company,
445 West Main Street,
Clarksburg, West Virginia.

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is Permit WBT-328-D for the deeper
drilling of Well No. 5440 on the B. F. Fox Farm, Green
District, Wetzel County.

Very truly yours,

Secretary
OIL AND GAS DIVISION

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cc: Inspector D. F. Desist
cc: Mr. R. C. Tucker

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OIL AND GAS DIVISION
WV DEPARTMENT OF MINES

17 March 1982

Department of Mines
Oil and Gas Division
1615 Washington St. E.
Charleston WV 25301

Dear Sirs -

I am inquiring about gas wells on my farm and a neighbor's farm in Wetzel County. The Tax Assessment Map references are to Green District, Sheet No. 16:

1) Parcel #26 (current owners Henry & Paula Finck).
Hope Co Well No. 301 (capped).
Consolidated Gas Co. Well No. 5440
(still in production)

2) Parcel #23 (current owner Melvin Butler).
I do not know the number (r) or the owner (r) of these wells.

My questions about each of the producing wells and capped wells on Parcels No. 26 and 23 (Wetzel County, Green District, Tax Map sheet no. 16) are:

1) On what dates were gas leases given?
What are the lease numbers and Deed Book references? cont over

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- 2) On what date was drilling begun? ^{center}
- 3) On what date was drilling completed and production of gas begun?
- 4) What are the Well Numbers and names of well owners?
- 5) On what date was production of gas terminated and the well capped?
(Con. Gas Well # 5440 is still producing) ✓

Finally, under what circumstances does a gas lease become abandoned, with rights reverting to surface owner? ^{owner}

Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely yours,
Henry Finck

Henry Finck
8 Mile Ridge
Reader WV 26167

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STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA
DEPARTMENT OF MINES
OIL AND GAS DIVISION

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WELL RECORD

Permit No. *Wet-326-A*

Oil or Gas Well (KIND)

Company Hope Natural Gas Company.
 Address 445 West Main St. Clarksburg, W. Va.
 Farm B.F. Fox Acres 179
 Location (waters) _____
 Well No. 5440 Elev. 1168
 District Green County Wetzel
 The surface of tract is owned in fee by _____
 Address _____
 Mineral rights are owned by _____
 Address _____
 Drilling commenced April 21, 1919
 Drilling completed May 19, 1919
 Date Shot _____ From _____ To _____
 With _____
 Open Flow _____ /10ths Water in _____ Inch
 _____ /10ths Merc. in _____ Inch
 Volume _____ Cu. Ft.
 Rock Pressure _____ lbs. _____ hrs.
 Oil _____ bbls., 1st 24 hrs.
 Fresh water 80 feet _____ feet
 Salt water none recorded feet _____ feet

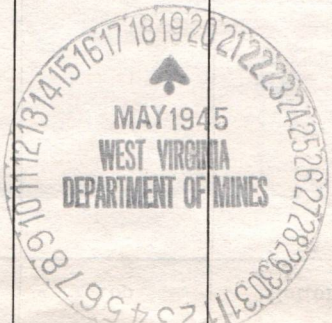
Casing and Tubing	Used in Drilling	Left in Well	Packers
Size			
16			Kind of Packer
13			
10	462	Pulled	Size of
8 1/4	1401	1401	
6 5/8	2060	2060	Depth set
5 3/16			
3			Perf. top
2	2108	Pulled	Perf. bottom
Liners Used			Perf. top
			Perf. bottom

CASING CEMENTED Not cemented SIZE _____ No. Ft. _____ Date _____

COAL WAS ENCOUNTERED AT 420 FEET 60 INCHES
848 FEET 24 INCHES FEET INCHES
 FEET INCHES FEET INCHES

Formation	Color	Hard or Soft	Top	Bottom	Oil, Gas or Water	Depth Found	Remarks
Native coal			420	425	water	80	
Pittsburgh Coal			848	850			
Little Dunkard			1227	1240			
Big Dunkard			1300	1306			
Gas sand			1383	1413			
First Salt			1510	1575	gas	2099- 2106	
Second Salt			1700	1730			
Third Salt			1770	1850			
Maxon			1932	1947			
Little Lime			2003	2021			
BIG LIME Pencil cave			2021	2030			
Big Lime			2030	2094			
Slate			2094	2096			
BIG INJUN			2096				
Total depth				2108			
<u>TO BE DRILLED DEEPER</u>							

see record attached



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OIL AND GAS DIVISION

WELL RECORD

Permit No. Wet-326D

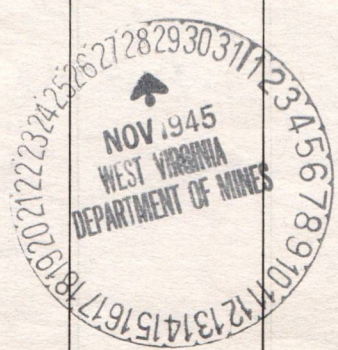
XX Oil or Gas Well (KIND)

Company Hope Natural Gas Company.
 Address 445 West Main St. Clarksburg, W.Va.
 Farm B.F. Fox Acres 179
 Location (waters) _____
 Well No. 5440 Elev. 1168
 District Green County Wetzel
 The surface of tract is owned in fee by _____
 Address _____
 Mineral rights are owned by _____
 Address _____
 Drilling commenced Deeper May 18, 1945
 Drilling completed Oct. 3, 1945
 Date Shot July 20, 1945 From _____ To _____
 With _____
 Open Flow 8 /10ths Water in _____ Inch
8 /10ths Merc. in 1"EM Inch
 Volume 78M Cu. Ft.
 Rock Pressure _____ lbs. _____ hrs.
 Oil _____ bbls., 1st 24 hrs.
 Fresh water none recorded feet _____ feet
 Salt water none recorded feet _____ feet

Casing and Tubing	Used in Drilling	Left in Well	Packers
Size			
16			Kind of Packer _____
13			
10	462	Pulled	Size of _____
8 1/4	1401	1401	
6 5/8	2060	2060	Depth set _____
5 3/16	2850	2850	
3			Perf. top _____
2	2121	Pulled	Perf. bottom _____
Liners Used			Perf. top _____
			Perf. bottom _____

CASING CEMENTED Not cemented SIZE _____ No. Ft. _____ Date _____
 COAL WAS ENCOUNTERED AT none recorded FEET _____ INCHES _____
 FEET _____ INCHES FEET _____ INCHES
 FEET _____ INCHES FEET _____ INCHES

Formation	Color	Hard or Soft	Top	Bottom	Oil, Gas or Water	Depth Found	Remarks
	Started drilling deeper			2123			
	Bottom Injun sand			2353			
	Red rock		2796	2840			
	Gordon Stray		2936	2956	gas	2938 2940	
					gas	2943 2951	
	Gordon		2957	2966			
	Total depth			3029			



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1.0 API well number (If not available, leave blank 14 digits)	47-103-326-D			FEB 27 1979
2.0 Type of determination being sought. (Use the codes found on the front of this form.)	108 Section of NGPA	-	Category Code OIL & GAS DIVISION	
3.0 Depth of the deepest completion location. (Only needed if sections 103 or 107 in 2.0 above.)	- feet			
4.0 Name, address and code number of applicant. (35 letters per line maximum. If code number not available, leave blank.)	Consolidated Gas Supply Corporation Name 445 West Main Street Street Clarksburg City		W. Va. State	26301 Zip Code
5.0 Location of this well. (Complete (a) or (b)!) (a) For onshore wells (35 letters maximum for field name)	West Virginia Other Field Name Wetzel County		A-85772 W. Va. State	
(b) For OCS wells	Area Name	Block Number	Date of Lease Mo Day Yr	OCS Lease Number
(c) Name and identification number of this well. (35 letters and digits maximum.)	B.F. FOX		5440	
(d) If code 4 or 5 in 2.0 above name of the reservoir. (35 letters maximum.)				
6.0 (a) Name and code number of the purchaser. (35 letters and digits maximum. If code number not available, leave blank.)	General System Purchasers Name		Buyer Code	
(b) Date of the contract	Mo Day Yr			
(c) Estimated annual production	1.5		MMcf	
7.0 Contract price (As of filing date. Complete to 3 decimal places.)	(a) Base Price (\$/MMBTU)	(b) Tax	(c) All Other Prices (Indicate (+) or (-).)	(d) Total of (a), (b) and (c).
8.0 Maximum lawful rate (As of filing date. Complete to 3 decimal places.)	2.224			
9.0 Person responsible for this application.	J. W. Hendrickson Name		V.P. Gas Supply Title	
Agency Use Only	Signature <i>J.W. Hendrickson</i>			
Date Received by Ju's. Agency FEB 27 1979	12/31/78 Date Application is Completed		304-623-3611 Phone Number	
Date Received by FEAC				

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PARTICIPANTS:

DATE:

OCT 84 1919

BUYER-SELLER CODE

WELL OPERATOR:

Consolidated Gas Supply Corp.

004228

FIRST PURCHASER:

General System Purchasers

none

OTHER:

W. Va. Department of Mines, Oil & Gas Division
WELL DETERMINATION FILE NUMBER

790227-108-103-0326

Use Above File Number on all Communications
Relating to Determination of this Well

Qualifies as Section 108, stripper well

Robert & Dool

CHECK EACH ITEM AS COMPLETE OR NOTE WHAT IS MISSING

ITEM NO.

- 1 FERC-121 Items not completed - Line No. _____
- 2 IV-1 - Agent J.W. Hendrickson
- 3 IV-2 - Well Permit
- 4 IV-6 - Well Plat
- 5 IV-35- Well Record Drilling Deepening
- 6 IV-36- Gas-Oil Test: Gas Only Was Oil Produced? Ratio
- 7 IV-39- Annual Production 3 years
- 8 IV-40- 90 day Production 90 Days off Line:
- 9 IV-48- Application for Certification. Complete? Affidavit Signed
- 10 - 17 IV Form #51 - 52 - 53 - 54 - 55 - 56 - 57 - 58. Complete
- 18 - 28 Other: Survey Logs Geological Charts Structure Map
- 1:4000 Map Well Tabulations Gas Analyses
- (5) Commenced: 4-21-19
Date Completed: 5-19-19 drill date 5-18-45
Frac. Date: 10-3-45 DRILL DATE
- (5) Production Depth: 2938-2940, 943-2951
- (5) Production Formation: GORDON STRAY
- (5) Final Open Flows: 78 MCF
Initial Potential:
- (5) Static R.P. after frac: 24#
initially:
- (6) Other Gas Test: _____
- (7) Avg. Daily Gas from Annual Production: 7.14 MCF 2141/30
- (8) Avg. Daily Gas from 90-day endline 11-120 days 4.51 MCF 406/30
- (8) Line Pressure: 5# PSIG from Daily Report
- (5) Oil Production: _____ From Completion Report
- (10-17) Does lease inventory indicate enhanced recovery being done? 10/06/2023
- (10-17) Is affidavit signed? Notarized?
- Does official well record with the Department confirm the submitted information? YES
- Additional Information DD. 2123-3029 Does computer program confirm? _____
- Was Determination Objected to? _____ By Whom? _____

JPH

Date Dec 31 1978

STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA
DEPARTMENT OF MINES, OIL AND GAS DIVISION

Operator's
Well No. 5440

API Well
No. 47 - 103 - 326-D
State County Permit

WELL CLASSIFICATION FORM

STRIPPER GAS WELL

NGPA Section 108

DESIGNATED AGENT J. W. Hendrickson

ADDRESS 445 West Main Street
Clarksburg, West Virginia 26301

WELL OPERATOR Cons. Gas Supply Corp. LOCATION: Elevation _____

ADDRESS 445 West Main Street Watershed Brush Run
Clarksburg, W. Va. Dist. Green County Wetzel Quad. LITTLE TOWN

GAS PURCHASER None; gas is de- Gas Purchase Contract No. N/A

ADDRESS livered into applicant's Meter Chart Code N/A

interstate pipeline system Date of Contract N/A

* * * * *

Provide a complete inventory of the lease and production equipment used for the well for the previous 24 months or, if less than 24 months, the period the well has been in production. Include a complete list of equipment or processes used in connection with recognized enhanced recovery techniques during completion or production. (Attach separate sheets, if necessary.)

See attachment; compression, dehydration, or related equipment indicated on the attached inventory, and hydraulic fracturing, shooting, or similar completion processes indicated on the attached well records, are used in connection with recognized enhanced recovery techniques during production or completion.

List all records reasonably available to you which contain information relevant to a determination of eligibility (including production records, B&O Tax Records and royalty payment records) and indicate the location of such records:

Applicant's oil and gas production records (which are largely computerized) constitute its primary and most reliable source of information relevant to a determination of eligibility. From these records Applicant derives information used by it in connection with royalty payments, tax payments, and general statistical uses, and records of these matters are also maintained. All of the above records are located at Applicant's offices at 445 West Main Street, Clarksburg, West Virginia.

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Describe the search made of any records listed above.

As indicated, Applicant's primary oil and gas production records have been largely computerized. In preparing this application, Applicant, by use of its computers, generated a listing of those of its wells which produced non-associated natural gas at a rate not exceeding an average of 60 Mcf per production day (at maximum efficient rates of flow) during the 90 day production period indicated on the attachment. These listings were checked and verified manually by two or more Applicant's employees. The results of this diligent search and examination indicated that the well which is the subject of this application qualifies as a stripper well; see attached data submitted in compliance with applicable regulations of this agency and the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission.

Are you aware of any other information which would tend to be inconsistent with the information specified above? Yes No . If yes, indicate the type and source of the information.

AFFIDAVIT

I, J. W. Hendrickson, having been first sworn according to law, state that I have caused to be made a diligent search of those records hereinbefore indicated in the manner herein described, that the information contained in this document is true and accurate and that on the basis of the records and examinations hereinbefore described, and to the best of my information, knowledge and belief, the well for which this certification is sought qualifies as a stripper well.

J. W. Hendrickson

STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA,

COUNTY OF HARRISON, TO WIT:

I, Ralph D. Bradley, a Notary Public in and for the state and county aforesaid, do certify that J.W. Hendrickson, whose name is signed to the writing above, bearing date the DEC 31 1978 day of 19, has acknowledged the same before me, in my county aforesaid.

Given under my hand and official seal this 8 day of Feb, 1979.

My term of office expires on the 13th day of September, 1986.

Ralph D. Bradley
Notary Public

10/06/2023

(NOTORIAL SEAL)

Date Dec 31, 1978
Operator's Well No. 5440
API Well No. 47 - 103 - 326-D
State County Permit
Previous File No. (If Applicable)

STATE APPLICATION FOR WELL CLASSIFICATION

WELL OPERATOR Consolidated Gas Supply Corp. DESIGNATED AGENT J. W. Hendrickson
ADDRESS 445 West Main Street ADDRESS 445 West Main Street
Clarksburg, West Virginia 26301 Clarksburg, West Virginia 26301
Gas Purchase Contract No. NA and Date _____ (Month, day and year)
Meter Chart Code NA
Name of First Purchaser None; Gas is delivered into applicant's
interstate pipeline system
(Street or P. O. Box)
(City) (State) (Zip Code)
FERC Seller Code 004228 FERC Buyer Code _____

TYPE OF DETERMINATION BEING SOUGHT:

- (1) Initial determination (See FERC Form 121.) Section of NGPA 108 Category Code _____
- (2) Determination that increased production is the result of enhanced recovery technology.
- (3) Determination of a seasonally affected well.

J. W. Hendrickson V.P. Gas Supply
Name (Print) Title
J. W. Hendrickson
Signature
445 West Main Street
Street or P. O. Box
Clarksburg, West Virginia 26301
City State (Zip Code)
(304) 623-3611
Area Phone Number
Code

(Certificate of Proof of Service to Purchaser)

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

This will certify that Applicant has served a complete copy of this document and attachments thereto, if any, including FERC Form 121, properly addressed and with postage prepaid upon the identified purchaser, if any, of the natural gas which is the subject of this application.

(All of the above to be completed by the Operator/Applicant)

(To be completed by Jurisdictional Agency. Executed copy to be returned to Operator/Applicant and purchaser, if known).

The Department of Mines has received a request for certification of the above described well as meeting the requirements of Section _____ under the Natural Gas Policy Act of 1978, (NGPA); or for determination that increased production is the result of enhanced recovery technology under Section 108 of (NGPA); or for determination of a seasonally affected well under Section 108 of (NGPA)

All interested parties are hereby notified that on the _____ day of _____, 19____, at the office of the Oil and Gas Division in Charleston, West Virginia, or as soon thereafter as it may be heard, there will be a public hearing, if requested, or if objection is filed.

This Application is assigned File No. _____

Initial review of information submitted indicates the well is. is not entitled to certification as claimed under the Natural Gas Policy Act (NGPA). A review of this evidence and any additional evidence will be made at the time appointed for a public hearing or as soon thereafter as the matter may be heard.

Unless objections are timely filed or a request for a hearing is made within fifteen (15) days, a hearing will not be held except on ex parte motion of the department and the matter will go to determination.

WEST VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF MINES

Robert L. ...
Director

FEB 27 1979

Date received by
Jurisdictional Agency

By _____
Title _____

10/06/2023

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CONSOLIDATED GAS SUPPLY CORPORATION--SOUTHERN REGION

WELL NUMBER 5440
 COMPANY FORMATION CODE 0
 DISTRICT MANINGTN
 COUNTY 103
 METER NUMBER-999999999
 ROCK PRESSURE 24 IN 0/66
 PERMIT NUMBER 326

DATE COMPLETED 5/19/1919
 DATE INTO LINE 0/0/19
 SPUD DATE 0/0/0

ORIG OPEN FLOW 497 MCF
 ORIG ROCK PRES 80 PSI
 PCT INTEREST 100.0000
 TOWNSHIP 5
 PRE 10/07/69 LEASE
 LAST LINE PRESSURE 5

GROSS MONTHLY PRODUCTION IN MCF

	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	TOTAL
1976 PROD	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	291	220	511
DAILY AVG	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	9	7	8
SPEC. GRAV.	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	92.830	92.831	2730
1977 PROD	220	199	152	105	93	87	468	316	321	285	255	229	2730
DAILY AVG	7	7	4	3	3	2	15	10	10	9	8	7	7
SPEC. GRAV.	92.831	92.828	92.831	92.830	92.831	92.829	92.831	92.831	92.830	92.831	92.830	92.831	2141
1978 PROD	195	98	353	342	0	300	295	152	111	127	168	0	2141
DAILY AVG	6	3	11	11	0	10	9	4	3	4	5	0	6
SPEC. GRAV.	92.831	92.828	92.829	92.830	92.831	92.830	92.831	92.831	92.830	92.829	92.830	0.0	0

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State of West Virginia

Department of Mines

Charleston 25305

JOHN D. ROCKEFELLER, IV
Governor

WALTER N. MILLER
Director

March 22, 1982

00G-0364

Mr. Henry Finck
8 Mile Ridge
Reader, WV 26167

Re: 47-103-0326

Dear Mr. Finck:

I did some research of our files and could only find records for Hope Natural Gas Company's well number 5440 under the above subject permit number. Please refer to this permit number in any future correspondence.

Our records only go back to July of 1929, which is when the Oil and Gas Division was founded. However, the well on your property was originally drilled in April of 1919, and later redrilled in May of 1945. I have enclosed copies of the records we have on file for your information. As for the other wells in question, I believe they were drilled prior to 1929, and we would have no record of them.

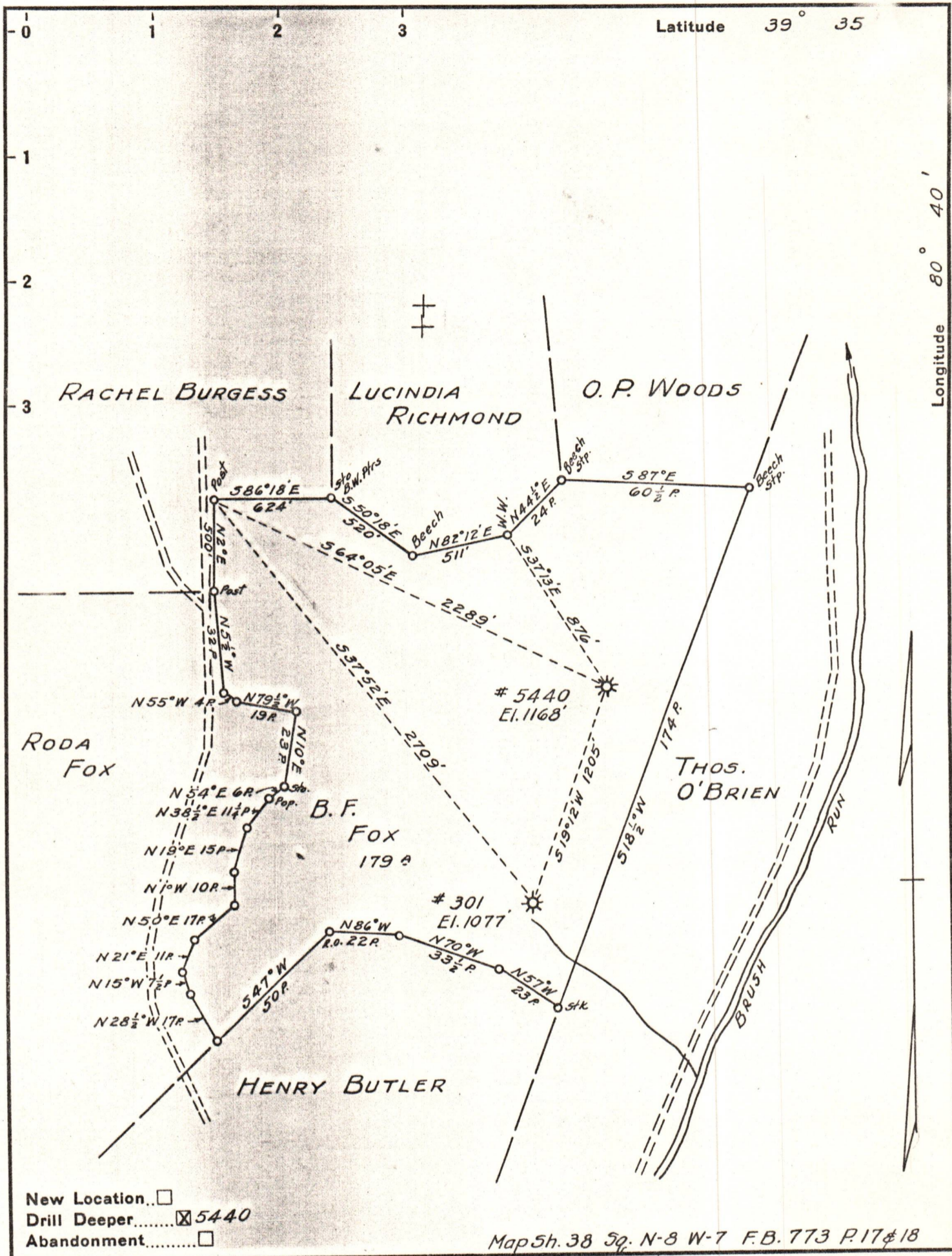
In answer to your question of "under what circumstances does the lease become abandoned?" It depends on the wording of the lease. However, when a lease expires for whatever reason, the rights revert to the mineral owners, not the surface owner, if they are different.

I hope this answers all of your questions. If I can be of further assistance please let me know.

Sincerely yours,

Ted Streit, Administrative Assistant
Office of Oil and Gas
WV Department of Mines

TS/las
Encls. as stated



New Location...
 Drill Deeper..... 5440
 Abandonment.....

Map Sh. 38 Sq. N-8 W-7 F.B. 773 P. 17 & 18

Company HOPE NATURAL GAS CO.
 Address CLARKSBURG, W. VA.
 Farm B. F. FOX
 Tract _____ Acres 179 Lease No. 490
 Well (Farm) No. _____ Serial No. As SHOWN
 Elevation (Spirit Level) As SHOWN
 Quadrangle LITTELTON
 County WETZEL District GREEN
 Engineer Wm Bowen
 Engineer's Registration No. 900
 File No. _____ Drawing No. _____
 Date 5-18-45 Scale 1" = 40R.

STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA
 DEPARTMENT OF MINES
 OIL AND GAS DIVISION
 CHARLESTON

WELL LOCATION MAP
 FILE NO. WET-3006/2023

+ Denotes location of well on United States Topographic Maps, scale 1 to 62,500, latitude and longitude lines being represented by border lines as shown.
 - Denotes one inch spaces on border line of original tracing.