

BEFORE THE INDUSTRIAL COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA

CASE NO. 1550
ORDER NO. 1686

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF
CONTINENTAL OIL COMPANY FOR AN
EMERGENCY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION TO
PERMIT THE DEVIATION OF THE WELL BORE OF
THE DICKINSON UNIT WELL NO. 60 LOCATED IN
SECTION 2, TOWNSHIP 139 NORTH, RANGE 97
WEST, STARK COUNTY, NORTH DAKOTA.

EMERGENCY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

BY THE COMMISSION:

Pursuant to Rule 3, this cause came on for emergency hearing before the Industrial Commission of North Dakota, hereinafter referred to as the "Commission," on the 20th day of April, 1978.

NOW, on this 20th day of April, 1978, the Commission, a quorum being present, having considered the testimony adduced and the exhibits received at said hearing, and being fully advised in the premises,

FINDS:

(1) That the Commission has proceeded according to law in the exercise of its jurisdiction of this case and the subject matter thereof, and that an emergency exists.

(2) That the applicant has drilled the Dickinson Unit Well No. 60, located in the SE/4 of the NE/4 of Section 2, Township 139 North, Range 97 West, Stark County, North Dakota, to total depth and at that bottom hole location said well would not produce oil in economic quantity.

(3) That the applicant requested permission to plug back up the hole and directionally drill to a bottom hole location of 1100 feet from the east line and 760 feet from the north line of Section 2, Township 139 North, Range 97 West, Stark County, North Dakota.

(4) That all acreage is within the boundary of the Dickinson Heath Unit, Stark County, North Dakota.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

(1) That Continental Oil Company be, and is hereby permitted to deviate the well bore of the Dickinson Unit Well No. 60, located in Section 2, Township 139 North, Range 97 West, Stark County, North Dakota, and complete in the Heath Pool at a point approximately 1100 feet from the east line and 760 feet from the north line of said Section 2.

(2) That the applicant shall run a directional survey of said well and submit the results to the State Geologist.

(3) That correlative rights are protected because all acreage involved is within the Dickinson Heath Unit.

(4) That this order shall become effective on this date, and shall continue in full force and effect for 15 days.

(5) That the applicant shall appear before an examiner appointed by

the Commission on the 1st day of May, 1978, to give testimony and evidence in support of this application.

DONE, in Bismarck, North Dakota, this 20th day of April, 1978.

THE NORTH DAKOTA
INDUSTRIAL COMMISSION

/s/ Arthur A. Link
Arthur A. Link, Governor

/s/ Allen I. Olson
Allen I. Olson, Attorney General

Myron Just, Commissioner of Agriculture