BEFORE THE INDUSTRIAL COMMISSION

OF THE STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA

IN THE MATTER OF A HEARING CALLED ON A MOTION OF THE COMMISSION TO CONSIDER THE APPLICATION OF CARDINAL PETR. CO. FOR AN ORDER POOLING ALL INTERESTS IN THE W/2 OF SECTION 14, TOWNSHIP 140 NORTH, RANGE 96 WEST, STARK COUNTY, NORTH DAKOTA, FOR THE DEVELOPMENT AND OPERATION OF THE SPACING UNIT LOCATED IN THE DICKINSON-HEATH POOL.

CASE NO. 1043 ORDER NO. 1119

ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

BY THE COMMISSION:

Pursuant to legal notice this cause came on for hearing at 9:30 a.m., on the 15th day of April, 1971, at Bismarck, North Dakota, before the Industrial Commission of North Dakota, hereinafter referred to as the "Commission."

NOW, on this 10th day of 1166, 1971, 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 due public notice having been given, as required by law, the Commission has jurisdiction of this cause and the subject matter thereof.
- (2) Applicant owns oil and gas interests in the W/2 of Section 14, Township 140 North, Range 96 West, Stark County, North Dakota, and has drilled a well thereon to the Dickinson-Heath Pool.
- (3) The W/2 of Section 14 comprises a 320 acre spacing unit established for the Dickinson-Heath Pool by Commission Order.
- (4) Applicant has been unable to obtain the voluntary pooling of all interests in this spacing unit.
- (5) In order to protect correlative rights and prevent the drilling of unnecessary wells, the Commission should pool all unpooled interests in this spacing unit.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

- (1) That all of the interests in oil and gas in the Heath Pool in the W/2 of Section 14, Township 140 North, Range 96 West, Stark County, North Dakota, be and the same are hereby pooled and communitized for the purpose of forming a spacing unit in said Heath Pool, and that the proposed well be the well for such spacing unit, and that all interested parties participate in the proceeds from this well in proportion as their interests may appear.
- (2) That Cardinal Petr. Company shall be the operator of said tracts and shall conduct operations in such manner as to protect correlative rights of all interested parties.
- (3) That this order shall continue in full force and effect until further order of the Commission.

DONE, at Bismarck, North Dakota, this 10th day of 11/16, 1971.

THE NORTH DAKOTA INDUSTRIAL COMMISSION

Helgi Johanneson, Attorney General

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I, F. E. Wilborn , being first duly sworn upon oath, depose and say: That I am over twenty-one years of age; that on the 4th day of June , 1971, I enclosed in separate envelopes true and correct copies of the attached Order No. 1119 of the North Dakota State Industrial Commission, and deposited the same in the United States Post Office at the University Station, University of North Dakota, Grand Forks, North Dakota, with postage thereon fully paid, directed to:Arthur C. Bauer, P. O. Box 1476, Bismarck, North Dakota. all of whom filed written appearances at the hearing of the Industrial Commission on Case No. 1043.

(Signature of person mailing Order and preparing Affidavit)

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 4th day of June , 1971 .

Notary Public, Grand Forks County

My commission expires July 1,1971

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March 18, 1971

North Dakota Industrial Commission State Capitol Building Bismarck, North Dakota 58501

Re: Application of Cardinal Petroleum Company for an Order Pooling All Interest in the Spacing Unit Described as the W½ Section 14, Township 140 North, Range 96 West, in the Dickinson-Heath Pool, Stark County, North Dakota

Gentlemen:

Cardinal Petroleum Company, as the owner of an oil and gas leasehold interest in the W_2^1 Section 14, Township 140 North, Range 96 West, Stark County, North Dakota, respectfully requests that the Commission enter an Order pooling all interests in the W_2^1 Section 14, Township 140 North, Range 96 West, insofar as it concerns oil and gas production from the Heath Pool. The W_2^1 Section 14 is contained within the field limits of the Dickinson-Heath Pool established by the Commission in Order No. 920, Case No. 848.

A permit to drill a permitted well for this spacing unit, said well to be located in the $SW_{4}^{1}NW_{4}^{1}$ Section 14, was approved by the State Geologist on March 30, 1970, being Permit No. 4918 33-089-00101.

It is requested that Cardinal be named as Operator of all activities conducted in the spacing unit.

It is, therefore, requested that this matter be heard at the next regularly scheduled Hearing of the Industrial Commission on April 15, 1971, at which time Cardinal will submit evidence in support of this application.

Very truly yours,

CARDINAL PETROLEUM COMPANY

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