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 PETROLEUM COMPANY FOR PERMISSION TO DRILL A WELL IN THE APPROXIMATE CENTER OF THE S/2 OF THE NW/4 OF SECTION 11, TOWNSHIP 140 NORTH, RANGE 96 WEST, STARK COUNTY, NORTH DAKOTA, AS AN EXCEPTION TO THE SPACING PATTERN IN THE DICKINSON FIELD.

CASE NO. 1173 ORDER NO. 1262

ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

BY THE COMMISSION:

Pursuant to legal notice this cause came on for hearing at 9:30 a.m. on the 11th day of December, 1973, at Bismarck, North Dakota, before the Industrial Commission of the State of North Dakota, hereinafter referred to as the "Commission."

NOW, on this \(\frac{\int}{2} \) day of January, 1974, 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) That Cardinal Petroleum Company is the owner of an oil and gas lease-hold estate in the north half of Section 11, Township 140 North, Range 96 West, Stark County, North Dakota, which lands are adjacent to the boundary of the Dickinson-Heath Pool, and comprise a spacing unit for that pool.
- (3) That geological evidence presented indicates that a well drilled at the proper location on the above described spacing unit would not produce oil in paying quantities.
- (4) That Cardinal Petroleum Company believes there is recoverable crude oil in the Heath Reservoir underlying said spacing unit, and such oil can be recovered by a well drilled in the approximate center of the S/2 of the NW/4 of Section 11, Township 140 North, Range 96 West, Stark County, North Dakota.
- (5) That a well drilled in the approximate center of the S/2 of the NW/4 of Section 11, Township 140 North, Range 96 West, Stark County, North Dakota,

would prevent waste and protect correlative rights.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

- (1) That Cardinal Petroleum Company be and the same is hereby granted permission to drill a well in the approximate center of the S/2 of the NW/4 of Section 11, Township 140 North, Range 96 West, Stark County, North Dakota.
- (2) That Cardinal Petroleum Company make application to the office of the State Geologist for permit to drill said well.

DONE, at Bismarck, North Dakota, this 1 day of January, 1974.

THE NORTH DAKOTA INDUSTRIAL COMMISSION

Allen I. Olson, Attorney General

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November 17, 1973

North Dakota Geological Survey University Station Grand Forks, North Dakota 58201

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

Gentlemen:

Cardinal Petroleum Company, as operator for themselves and Patrick Petroleum Corporation, requests that permission be given for the drilling of an off-pattern development well in the Dickinson field area, Stark County, North Dakota.

The requested location is the approximate center of the south half of the northwest quarter $(S_2^1NW_4^1)$ of Section 11, 140N 96W. This location is outside the Dickinson Heath Sand Unitized area, and also outside the original spaced area of the Dickinson field, but does fall within the $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile buffer zone for that field. The drilling unit for this requested location would be the North Half of Section 11.

It is requested that this application be placed on the agenda for the December 11, 1973 meeting of the Industrial Commission. At that time Cardinal will present evidence in support of the application.

Very truly yours,

CARDINAL PETROLEUM COMPANY

Ray L. Harrisor Vice President

RLH/pw

CC: Mr. John Orr Patrick Petroleum Corp. Jackson, Michigan

> Mr. Steven H. Harris Bismarck, North Dakota

R.97 W. R.96 W. CARDINAL PATRICK INTEREST ACREAGE REQUESTED LOCATION OUTLINE OF DICKINSON HEATH SAND UNITA T. 140 N. T. 139 N.

WEST DICKINSON - DICKINSON FIELDS

STARK COUNTY, NORTH DAKOTA

CARDINAL PETROLEUM COMPANY

BILLINGS, MONTANA

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DICKINSON HEATH SAND UNIT OUTLINE

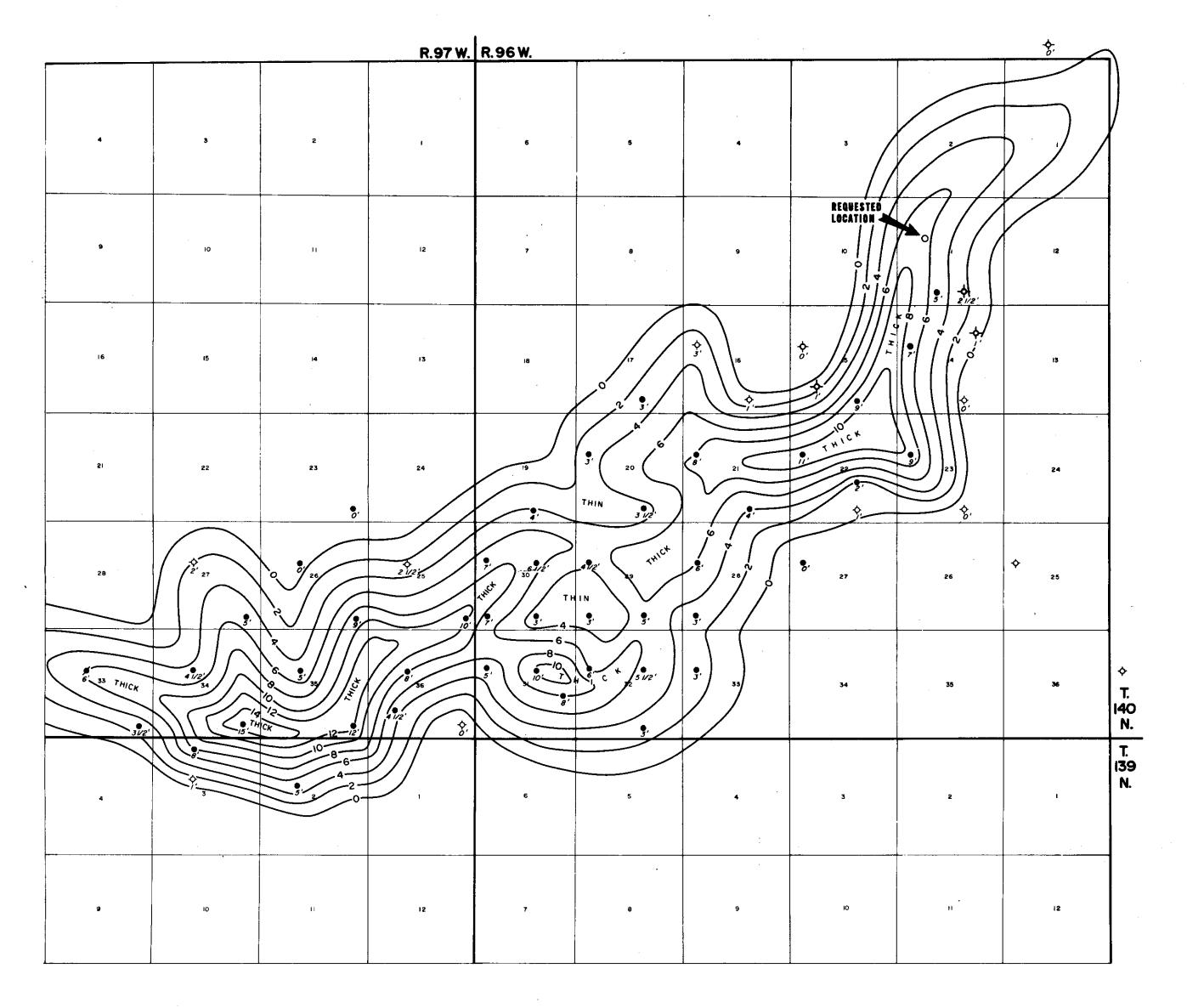
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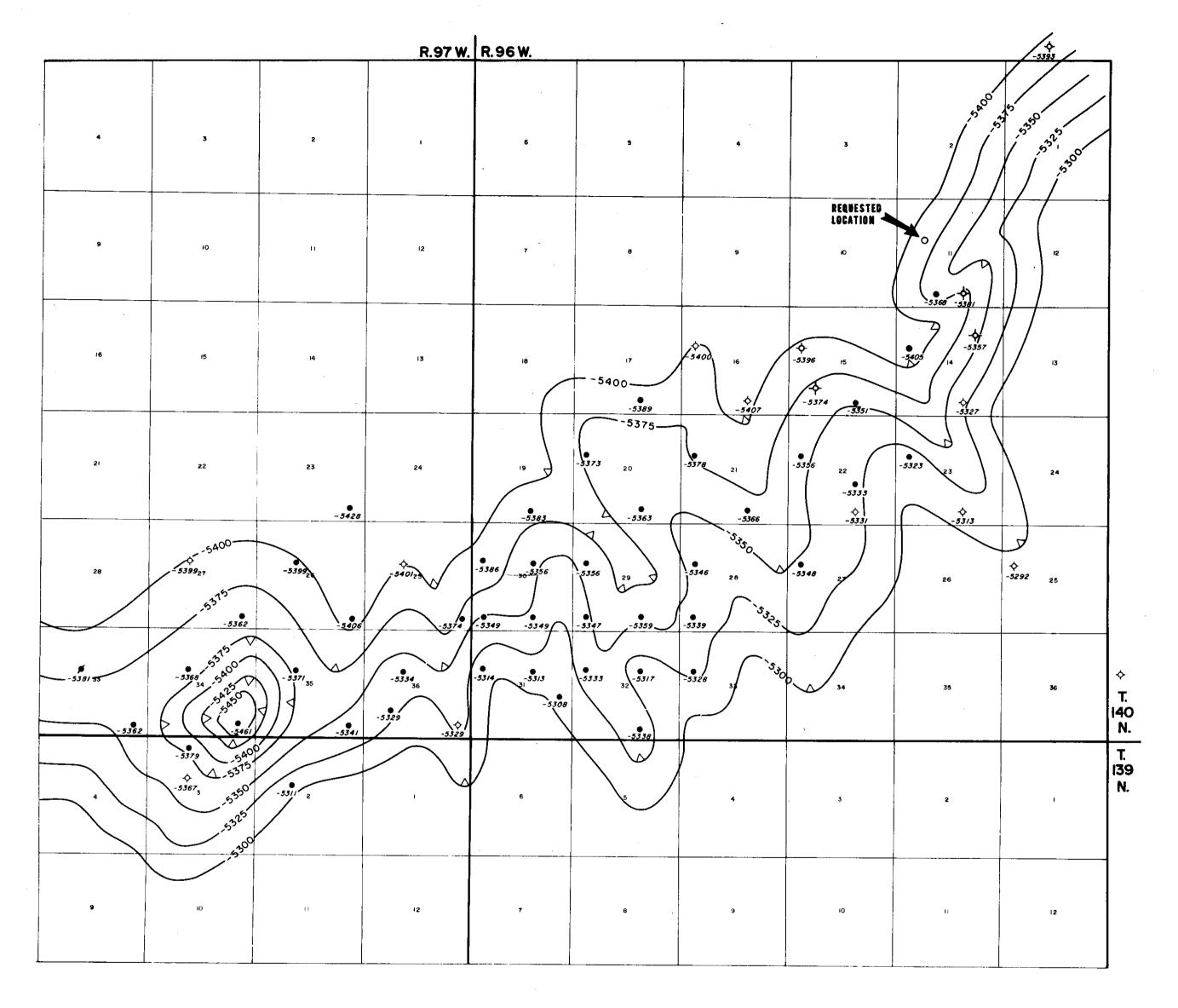
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NET THICKNESS OF HEATH 'B' SAND

CONTOUR INTERVAL = 2'

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WEST DICKINSON - DICKINSON FIELDS

STARK COUNTY, NORTH DAKOTA

STRUCTURE MAP
TOP OF HEATH 'B' SAND POROSITY

CONTOUR INTERVAL = 25'

CARDINAL PETROLEUM COMPANY
BILLINGS, MONTANA

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EXHIBIT NO.3 CASE NO. 1173 DECEMBER 11, 1973

