

BEFORE THE INDUSTRIAL COMMISSION  
OF THE STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA

CASE NO. 12926  
ORDER NO. 15193

IN THE MATTER OF A HEARING CALLED ON A MOTION OF THE COMMISSION TO CONSIDER THE APPLICATION OF CONTINENTAL RESOURCES, INC. FOR AN ORDER AUTHORIZING THE DRILLING, COMPLETING AND PRODUCING OF A TOTAL OF NOT MORE THAN TWO WELLS ON A 1280-ACRE SPACING UNIT DESCRIBED AS SECTIONS 26 AND 35, T.161N., R.95W., SADLER-BAKKEN POOL, DIVIDE COUNTY, ND, SETTING THE MINIMUM SETBACKS FROM THE "HEEL" AND "TOE" OF THE WELL TO THE SPACING UNIT BOUNDARIES AT 200 FEET, ELIMINATING ANY TOOL ERROR SETBACK REQUIREMENTS, AND SUCH OTHER RELIEF AS IS APPROPRIATE.

ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

THE COMMISSION FINDS:

- (1) This cause came on for hearing at 9:00 a.m. on the 28th day of July, 2010.
- (2) Continental Resources, Inc. (Continental) provided exhibits and testimony in this matter by sworn affidavits.
- (3) Continental made application to the Commission for an order authorizing the drilling, completing and producing of a total of not more than two wells on a 1280-acre spacing unit described as Sections 26 and 35, Township 161 North, Range 95 West, Divide County, North Dakota (Sections 26 and 35), Sadler-Bakken Pool, setting the minimum setbacks from the "heel" and "toe" of the well to the spacing unit boundaries at 200 feet, eliminating any tool error setback requirements, and such other relief as is appropriate.
- (4) Order No. 14041 entered in Case No. 11860, the most recent spacing order for the Sadler-Bakken Pool, established proper spacing for the development of Zone I at one well per 160 acres, Zone II at one horizontal well per 640 acres, Zone III at one horizontal well per 1280 acres, and Zone IV at up to two horizontal wells per 1280 acres.
- (5) Sections 26 and 35 are currently a 1280-acre spacing unit in Zone III in the Sadler-Bakken Pool.
- (6) The Continental #1-35H Bratlien well (File No. 17666) is completed as a single-lateral horizontal producer in the upper Three Forks Formation in the Sadler-Bakken Pool on the

spacing unit described as Sections 26 and 35, from a surface location 420 feet from the south line and 1320 feet from the west line of Section 35 to a bottom hole location in the NE/4 NW/4 of Section 26.

(7) Continental proposes to drill an additional single-lateral horizontal well in the 1280-acre spacing unit described as Sections 26 and 35 in the middle member of the Bakken Formation in the Sadler-Bakken Pool approximately 660 feet from the west spacing unit boundary. Utilization of horizontal drilling technology as proposed would result in the well being completed at a location or locations not in compliance with current applicable spacing orders for the Sadler-Bakken Pool. The horizontal well design proposed may be preliminary and could be changed for various reasons which is permissible.

(8) Continental requested any tool error in the directional survey equipment when calculating the bottom hole location of any horizontal lateral in the proposed spacing unit be waived.

(9) The Commission enforces a tool error policy which requires measurement inaccuracies in the directional survey equipment be considered when the angle between the horizontal lateral and the corresponding spacing unit boundary is ten degrees or less.

(10) Waiving potential tool error in the directional survey equipment when calculating the bottom hole location of any horizontal well drilled in spacing units which allow multiple horizontal wells will allow said spacing units to be more efficiently developed.

(11) The Commission will take administrative notice of the testimony given in Case No. 12246 which was scheduled on a motion of the Commission to consider amending the current Bakken Pool field rules to eliminate or reduce the setbacks currently established for the heel and toe of horizontal wells in North Dakota, and such other relief as is appropriate, heard on March 23, 2010. Order No. 14498 entered in Case No. 12246 amended all current 660 or 500-foot setback requirements in any established Bakken Pool spacing unit or drilling unit relative to the heel and toe of a horizontal well to 200 feet.

(12) There were no objections to this application.

(13) If Continental's activities are successful, greater ultimate recovery of oil and gas from the pool will be achieved which will prevent waste and the drilling of unnecessary wells in a manner which will not have a detrimental effect on correlative rights.

**IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:**

(1) Sections 26 and 35, Township 161 North, Range 95 West, Divide County, North Dakota, are hereby established as a 1280-acre spacing unit for the exclusive purpose of drilling up to two horizontal wells within said spacing unit within the Sadler-Bakken Pool, and Zone IV is hereby extended to include said spacing unit. Existing and future vertical and directional wells drilled within the spacing unit herein established shall conform to the applicable spacing requirements providing for the orderly development of Zone I in the Sadler-Bakken Pool.

(2) The Director is hereby authorized to exercise continuing jurisdiction in this matter to determine whether a horizontal well proposed or drilled upon the 1280-acre spacing unit herein

established has justified the creation of such unit, to require amendments or modifications to the permit to drill for such horizontal well, and to deny a permit to drill in the event a well is proposed to be drilled in a manner inconsistent with the evidence that justified such spacing unit.

(3) The Sadler Field is hereby defined as the following described tracts of land in Divide County, North Dakota:

TOWNSHIP 161 NORTH, RANGE 95 WEST, 5TH PM

ALL OF SECTIONS 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 14, 15, 16, 17, 21, 22, 23, 26, 27, 28, 33, 34 AND 35, AND THE N/2 OF SECTION 20.

(4) The Sadler-Bakken Pool is hereby redefined as the following described tracts of land in Divide County, North Dakota:

ZONE I (160)

TOWNSHIP 161 NORTH, RANGE 95 WEST, 5TH PM

ALL OF SECTIONS 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 14, 15, 16, 17, 21, 22, 23, 26, 27, 28, 33, 34 AND 35, AND THE N/2 OF SECTION 20\*.

\*Note Section 20 is part of a 1280-acre spacing unit consisting of Sections 17 and 20, Township 161 North, Range 95 West, Divide County, North Dakota, in the Dolphin-Bakken Pool.

ZONE II (640H)

TOWNSHIP 161 NORTH, RANGE 95 WEST, 5TH PM

ALL OF SECTION 17.

ZONE III (1280H-STANDUP)

TOWNSHIP 161 NORTH, RANGE 95 WEST, 5TH PM

ALL OF SECTIONS 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 14, 16, 21, 23, 28 AND 33.

ZONE IV (2/1280H-STANDUP)

TOWNSHIP 161 NORTH, RANGE 95 WEST, 5TH PM

ALL OF SECTIONS 15, 22, 26, 27, 34 AND 35.

(5) The Sadler-Bakken Pool is hereby defined as that accumulation of oil and gas found in the interval from 50 feet above the top of the Bakken Formation to 50 feet below the top of the Three Forks Formation within the limits of the field as set forth above.

(6) The proper spacing for the development of Zone I in the Sadler-Bakken Pool is hereby set at one well per 160 acres.

(7) All wells hereafter drilled in Zone I in the Sadler-Bakken Pool shall be located not less than 500 feet from a spacing unit boundary. Wells presently permitted to or producing from the pool that do not conform to this spacing pattern shall be considered exceptions.

(8) Spacing units in Zone I in the Sadler-Bakken Pool shall consist of a governmental quarter section or governmental lots corresponding thereto.

(9) Zone I in the Sadler-Bakken Pool shall not be extended except by further order of the Commission after due notice and hearing.

(10) Provisions established herein for Zone II in the Sadler-Bakken Pool are for the exclusive purpose of drilling horizontal wells. Existing and future vertical and directional wells drilled within the area defined as Zone II in paragraph (4) above shall conform to the applicable spacing requirements for the orderly development of Zone I in the Sadler-Bakken Pool.

(11) The proper spacing for the development of Zone II in the Sadler-Bakken Pool is hereby set at one horizontal well per 640 acres.

(12) All portions of the well bore not isolated by cement of any horizontal well hereafter drilled in Zone II in the Sadler-Bakken Pool shall be no closer than 500 feet to the boundary of the spacing unit that the lateral is most nearly parallel to and 200 feet to the boundary of the spacing unit that the lateral is most nearly perpendicular to. Measurement inaccuracies in the directional survey equipment need not be considered except when deemed necessary by the Director.

(13) Section 17, Township 161 North, Range 95 West, Divide County, North Dakota, is hereby designated a 640-acre spacing unit in Zone II in the Sadler-Bakken Pool.

(14) Spacing units in Zone II in the Sadler-Bakken Pool shall consist of a governmental section or governmental lots corresponding thereto.

(15) Sections 17 and 20, Township 161 North, Range 95 West, Divide County, North Dakota, are also designated a 1280-acre spacing unit in the Dolphin-Bakken Pool.

(16) Zone II in the Sadler-Bakken Pool shall not be extended except by further order of the Commission after due notice and hearing.

(17) Provisions established herein for Zone III in the Sadler-Bakken Pool are for the exclusive purpose of drilling horizontal wells. Existing and future vertical and directional wells drilled within the area defined as Zone III in paragraph (4) above shall conform to the applicable spacing requirements for the orderly development of Zone I in the Sadler-Bakken Pool.

(18) The proper spacing for the development of Zone III in the Sadler-Bakken Pool is hereby set at one horizontal well per 1280 acres.

(19) All portions of the well bore not isolated by cement of any horizontal well hereafter drilled in Zone III in the Sadler-Bakken Pool shall be no closer than 500 feet to the east or west boundary and 200 feet to the north or south boundary of the spacing unit. Measurement inaccuracies in the directional survey equipment need not be considered except when determined necessary by the Director.

(20) Sections 2 and 11; Sections 3 and 10; Sections 4 and 9; Sections 5 and 8; Sections 6 and 7; Sections 14 and 23; Sections 16 and 21; and Sections 28 and 33, Township 161 North,



Range 95 West, Divide County, North Dakota, are hereby designated 1280-acre spacing units in Zone III in the Sadler-Bakken Pool.

(21) Spacing units hereafter created in Zone III in the Sadler-Bakken Pool shall be standup spacing units consisting of two adjacent governmental sections or governmental lots corresponding thereto.

(22) Zone III in the Sadler-Bakken Pool shall not be extended except by further order of the Commission after due notice and hearing.

(23) Provisions established herein for Zone IV in the Sadler-Bakken Pool are for the exclusive purpose of drilling horizontal wells. Existing and future vertical and directional wells drilled within the area defined as Zone IV in paragraph (4) above shall conform to the applicable spacing requirements for the orderly development of Zone I in the Sadler-Bakken Pool.

(24) The proper spacing for the development of Zone IV in the Sadler-Bakken Pool is hereby set at up to two horizontal wells per 1280 acres.

(25) All portions of the well bore not isolated by cement of any horizontal well hereafter drilled in Zone IV in the Sadler-Bakken Pool shall be no closer than 500 feet to the east or west boundary and 200 feet to the north or south boundary of the spacing unit. Measurement inaccuracies in the directional survey equipment when calculating the bottom hole location in a horizontal well need not be considered.

(26) Sections 15 and 22; Sections 26 and 35; and Sections 27 and 34, Township 161 North, Range 95 West, Divide County, North Dakota, are hereby designated 1280-acre spacing units in Zone IV in the Sadler-Bakken Pool.

(27) Spacing units hereafter created in Zone IV in the Sadler-Bakken Pool shall be standup spacing units consisting of two adjacent governmental sections.

(28) Zone IV in the Sadler-Bakken Pool shall not be extended except by further order of the Commission after due notice and hearing.

(29) The operator of any horizontally drilled well in the Sadler-Bakken Pool shall cause to be made a directional survey of the well bore. The directional survey contractor shall file a certified survey with the Commission within 30 days after completion of the well in accordance with North Dakota Administrative Code (NDAC) Section 43-02-03-25. The survey shall be of sufficient quality to enable the Commission to determine the entire completion location of the well and its terminus.

(30) The Director is hereby authorized to exercise continuing jurisdiction to determine whether any well proposed or drilled upon any spacing unit herein established has justified the creation of such unit, to require amendments or modifications to the permit to drill for such well, and to deny a permit to drill in the event a well is proposed to be drilled in a manner inconsistent with the evidence that justified the spacing requirements in the Sadler-Bakken Pool.

(31) The Commission shall have continuing jurisdiction in this matter and specifically reserves the authority, upon its own motion or the motion of any interested party, to: (1) review

the spacing requirements for the Sadler-Bakken Pool; (2) determine whether the separate zones of spacing established herein are warranted; and, (3) make such further amendments or modifications to the spacing requirements for the Sadler-Bakken Pool as the Commission deems appropriate.

(32) No well shall be hereafter drilled or produced in the Sadler-Bakken Pool, as defined herein, except in conformity with the regulations above without special order of the Commission after due notice and hearing.

(33) The following rules concerning the casing, tubing and equipping of wells shall apply to the subsequent drilling and operation of wells in the Sadler-Bakken Pool:

- (a) The surface casing shall consist of new or reconditioned pipe that has been previously tested to 1000 pounds per square inch. The casing shall be set and cemented at a point not less than 50 feet below the base of the Fox Hills Formation. Sufficient cement shall be used to fill the annular space outside the pipe to the surface of the ground or the bottom of the cellar, and sufficient scratchers and centralizers shall be used to assure a good cement job. Cement shall be allowed to stand a minimum of 12 hours before drilling the plug or initiating tests. The quality of cement shall conform to the standards provided under NDAC Section 43-02-03-21;
- (b) The producing or oil string shall consist of new or reconditioned pipe that has been previously tested to 2000 pounds per square inch. Casing shall be set and cemented at a point not higher than the top of the producing formation, or at a point approved by the Director. Sufficient cement shall be used and applied in such manner to protect and isolate all formations containing oil and/or gas, protect the pipe through salt sections encountered, and to isolate the Dakota-Lakota Series. The cement shall be allowed to stand a minimum of 15 hours before drilling the plug or initiating tests. The quality of cement shall conform to the standards provided under NDAC Section 43-02-03-21. After cementing, the casing shall be tested by application of pump pressure of at least 1500 pounds per square inch. If, at the end of 30 minutes this pressure shall have dropped 150 pounds per square inch or more, the casing shall be repaired. Thereafter, the casing shall again be tested in the same manner. Further work shall not proceed until a satisfactory test has been obtained;
- (c) All well-head fittings and connections shall have a working pressure in excess of that to which they are expected to be subjected; and,
- (d) All wells shall be equipped with tubing; a tubing packer must also be utilized in flowing wells unless a waiver is obtained from the Director after demonstrating the casing will not be subjected to excessive pressure or corrosion; all tubing shall be of sufficient internal diameter to allow the passage of a bottom hole pressure gauge for the purpose of obtaining bottom hole pressure measurements.

(34) The gas-oil ratio of all wells not connected to a gas gathering system shall be measured annually during the month of May. The reservoir pressure shall be measured in any well completed in the Sadler-Bakken Pool if deemed necessary by the Director. Drill stem test

pressures are acceptable for determining reservoir pressure. Pressure measurements shall be made at or adjusted to a subsea datum of 6280 feet. All gas-oil ratio and reservoir pressure determinations shall be made by methods approved by the Director and reported to the Director within 15 days following the end of the month in which they are determined. The Director is authorized to waive these requirements if the necessity therefore can be demonstrated to his satisfaction. All additional gas-oil ratio and reservoir pressure determinations conducted on any well, but not specially required herein, shall be reported to the Director within 15 days following the end of the month in which they are determined.

(35) No saltwater, drilling mud, crude oil, or waste oil shall be stored in pits in this field, except in an emergency, and approved by the Director.

(36) All wells in the Sadler-Bakken Pool shall be allowed to produce at a maximum efficient rate for a period of 30 days commencing on the first day oil is produced through well-head equipment into tanks from the ultimate producing interval after casing has been run; thereafter, oil production from such wells shall not exceed an average of 100 barrels of oil per day; if and when such wells are connected to a gas gathering and processing facility the foregoing restrictions shall be removed, and the wells shall be allowed to produce at a maximum efficient rate. The Director is authorized to issue an administrative order allowing unrestricted production at a maximum efficient rate for a period not to exceed 90 days, commencing on the first day oil is produced through well-head equipment into tanks from the ultimate producing interval after casing has been run, if the necessity therefor can be demonstrated to his satisfaction.

(37) If the flaring of gas produced with crude oil from the Sadler-Bakken Pool causes, or threatens to cause, degradation of ambient air quality, production from the pool shall be further restricted.

(38) This order shall cover all of the Sadler-Bakken Pool common source of supply of crude oil and/or natural gas as herein defined, and all provisions of the pool shall continue in full force and effect until further order of the Commission or until the last well in the pool has been plugged and abandoned.

Dated this 7th day of October, 2010.

INDUSTRIAL COMMISSION  
STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA

By the Director, on behalf of the Commission

/s/ Lynn D. Helms, Director

STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA  
COUNTY OF BURLEIGH

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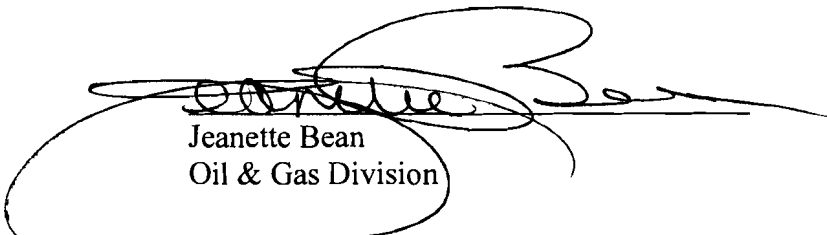
I, Jeanette Bean, being duly sworn upon oath, depose and say: That on the 15<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2010 enclosed in separate envelopes true and correct copies of the attached Order No. 15193 the North Dakota Industrial Commission, and deposited the same with the United States Postal Service in Bismarck, North Dakota, with postage thereon fully paid, directed to the following persons by the Industrial Commission in Case No. 12926

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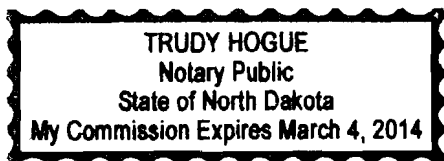
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CONTINENTAL RESOURCES  
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CONTINENTAL RESOURCES  
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LARRY CAMPBELL  
CONTINENTAL RESOURCES  
PO BOX 1032  
ENID, OK 73702

  
Jeanette Bean  
Oil & Gas Division

On this 15<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2010 before me personally appeared Jeanette Bean to me known as the person described in and who executed the foregoing instrument and acknowledged that she executed the same as her free act and deed.



  
Notary Public  
State of North Dakota, County of Burleigh

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# Fredrikson

**& BYRON, P.A.**

July 16, 2010



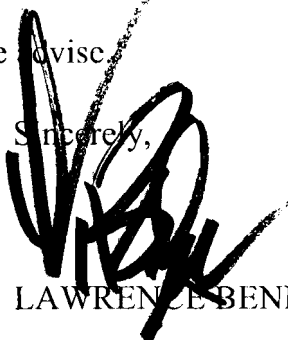
Mr. Bruce Hicks  
Assistant Director  
North Dakota Industrial Commission  
Oil and Gas Division  
600 East Boulevard  
Bismarck, North Dakota 58505-0310

**RE: Continental Resources, Inc.  
NDIC CASE NO. 12926**

Dear Mr. Hicks:

Please find enclosed herewith pre-filed exhibits and affidavits with regard to the above-captioned increase density hearing, scheduled to be heard on July 28, 2010. The Exhibit "A" to the Affidavit of Lawrence Bender is also being forwarded in Word format via email to you.

Should you have any questions, please advise.

Sincerely,  
  
LAWRENCE BENDER

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Enclosure

cc: Ms. Christi Wood – (w/enc.) *Via Email*  
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## EXHIBIT A

(1) Testimony and evidence in this matter was presented to the Commission by sworn affidavits on July 28, 2010.

(2) Continental Resources, Inc. ("CLR") made application to the Commission for an order authorizing the drilling, completing and producing of an increase density well on a 1280-acre spacing unit described as Sections 26 & 35, Township 161 North, Range 95 West, Divide County, North Dakota (Sections 26 & 35), and such other relief as is appropriate.

(3) . Order No. 11625 entered in Case No. 9876, the most recent spacing order for the Sadler - Bakken Pool, established proper spacing for the development of Zone III at one horizontal well per 1280 acres.

(4) Sections 26 & 35 constitute a 1280-acre spacing unit in Zone III in the Sadler - Bakken Pool.

(5) CLR drilled and completed their Bratlien 1-35H well (File No. 17666) as a single-lateral horizontal producer in the Three Forks Formation in the Sadler - Bakken Pool on the spacing unit described as Section(s) 26 & 35. The well was drilled from a surface location 420 feet from the South line and 1320 feet from the West line of Section 35. The intermediate casing was set horizontally in the Bakken Pool at approximately 992 feet from the South and 1376 feet from the West line of Section 35 and the lateral was then drilled to a bottom hole location approximately 532 feet from the North line and 1331 feet from the West line of Section 26.

(6) CLR proposes to drill one additional horizontal well(s) in the 1280-acre spacing unit described as Section(s) 26 & 35 in the Middle Member of the Bakken Formation in the Sadler - Bakken Pool from a surface location 250 feet from the South line and 660 feet from the West line of Section 35. The casing will be set horizontally in the Bakken Pool at a legal location and the lateral will then be drilled to a bottom hole location approximately 200 feet from the North line and 660 feet from the west line of Section West. Utilization of horizontal drilling technology as proposed would result in the well being completed at a location or locations not in compliance with current applicable spacing orders for the Sadler - Bakken Pool. The surface and bottom hole locations herein depicted may be preliminary and could be changed for various reasons which is permissible.

(7) CLR requested any tool error in the directional survey equipment when calculating the bottom hole location of any horizontal lateral drilled in the proposed spacing unit consisting of Section(s) 26 & 35 be waived.

(8) Waiving potential tool error in the directional survey equipment when calculating the bottom hole location of any horizontal lateral drilled in the proposed

spacing unit consisting of Section(s) 26 & 35 will allow CLR to more efficiently develop said spacing unit.

(9) CLR presented evidence the proposed additional well will recover additional reserves and will be economic.

(10) Flexibility with respect to spacing unit size and location of wells in the Sadler – Bakken Pool is essential to efficiently produce as much recoverable oil and gas as economically possible.

(11) Pursuant to North Dakota Century Code Section 38-08-07, spacing units must be of uniform size and shape for the entire pool, except when found necessary to prevent waste, avoid the drilling of unnecessary wells, or to protect correlative rights, the Commission is authorized to divide any pool into zones and establish spacing units for each zone, which units may differ in size and shape from those established in any other zone.

(12) Zones of different spacing within the Sadler - Bakken Pool will allow the flexibility needed for utilization of horizontal drilling.

(13) Granting flexibility in spacing unit size and in locating and drilling additional wells will result in economic and efficient development of the oil and gas resources in a manner that prevents waste and protects correlative rights.

(14) If CLR's activities are successful, greater ultimate recovery of oil and gas from the pool will be achieved which will prevent waste and the drilling of unnecessary wells in a manner which will not have a detrimental effect on correlative rights.

(15) There were no objections to this application.

(16) Approval of this application will prevent waste, avoid the drilling of unnecessary wells, and protect correlative rights.

(17) Continental requested a 200-foot setback requirement from the north and south boundaries of the spacing unit. Allowing a 200-foot setback requirement on the north and south boundaries of the standup spacing unit will allow Continental to more efficiently develop the reservoir.



**AFFIDAVIT OF LISA ALWERT**

STATE OF Oklahoma )  
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COUNTY OF Garfield )

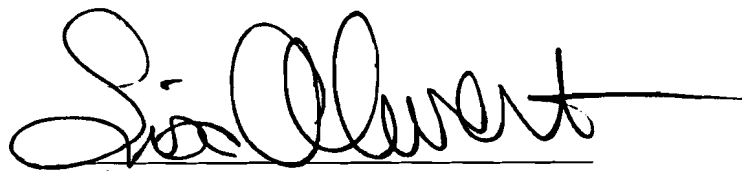
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Lisa Alwert, being first duly sworn, deposes and states as follows:

1. That I am a Petroleum Landman and possess the professional qualifications and experience to serve as an expert witness on behalf of Continental Resources, Inc., 302 N. Independence, Enid, OK, 73703, and have testified before the North Dakota Industrial Commission on numerous occasions.

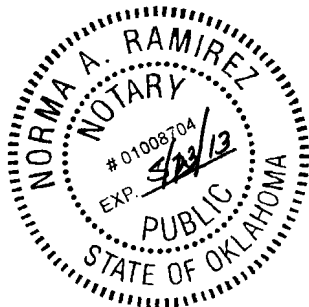
2. That I supervised preparation of and reviewed all documents pertaining to Exhibits 1 through 2 in Case No. 12926.


3. That I certify, to the best of my knowledge, that the documents are true and correct.

  
Lisa Alwert

STATE OF Oklahoma )  
 ) ss  
COUNTY OF Garfield )

On the 14 day of July, 2010, Lisa Alwert, Petroleum Landman of Continental Resources, Inc., known to me to be the person described in and who executed the foregoing instrument, personally appeared before me and acknowledged that he executed the same as a free act and deed.



  
Notary Public  
My Commission Expires: 5/23/13



**AFFIDAVIT OF STAN WILSON**

STATE OF Oklahoma        )  
  ) ss  
COUNTY OF Garfield     )

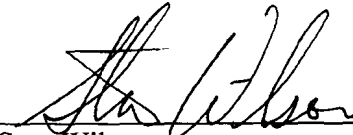
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Stan Wilson, being first duly sworn, deposes and states as follows:

1.       That I am an Engineer and possess the professional qualifications and experience to serve as an expert witness on behalf of Continental Resources, Inc., 302 N. Independence, Enid, OK, 73703, and have testified before the North Dakota Industrial Commission on numerous occasions.

2.       That I supervised preparation of and reviewed all documents pertaining to Exhibits 7 through 9 in Case No. 12926.

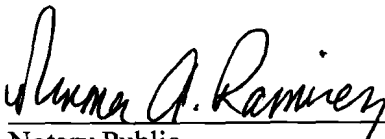
3.       That I certify, to the best of my knowledge, that the documents are true and correct.

  
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Stan Wilson

STATE OF Oklahoma        )  
  ) ss  
COUNTY OF Garfield     )

On the 14 day of July, 2010, Stan Wilson, Engineer of Continental Resources, Inc., known to me to be the person described in and who executed the foregoing instrument, personally appeared before me and acknowledged that he executed the same as a free act and deed.



  
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Notary Public  
My Commission Expires: 5/23/13

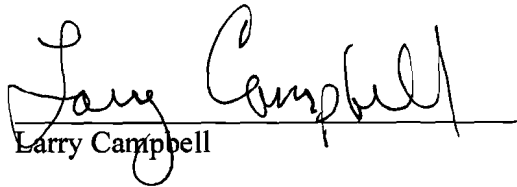
**AFFIDAVIT OF LARRY CAMPBELL**

STATE OF Oklahoma )  
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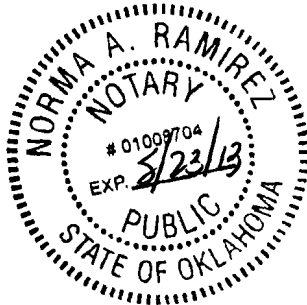
Larry Campbell, being first duly sworn, deposes and states as follows:

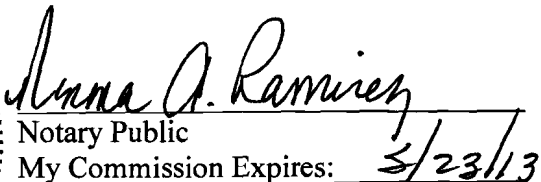
1. That I am a Geologist and possess the professional qualifications and experience to serve as an expert witness on behalf of Continental Resources, Inc., 302 N. Independence, Enid, OK, 73703 and have testified before the North Dakota Industrial Commission on numerous occasions.
2. That I supervised preparation of and reviewed all documents pertaining to Exhibits 3 through 4 in Case No. 12926.
3. That I certify, to the best of my knowledge, that the documents are true and correct.

  
Larry Campbell

STATE OF Oklahoma )  
 ) ss  
COUNTY OF Garfield )

On the 14 day of July, 2010, Larry Campbell, Geologist of Continental Resources, Inc., known to me to be the person described in and who executed the foregoing instrument, personally appeared before me and acknowledged that he executed the same as a free act and deed.



  
Notary Public  
My Commission Expires: 3/23/13

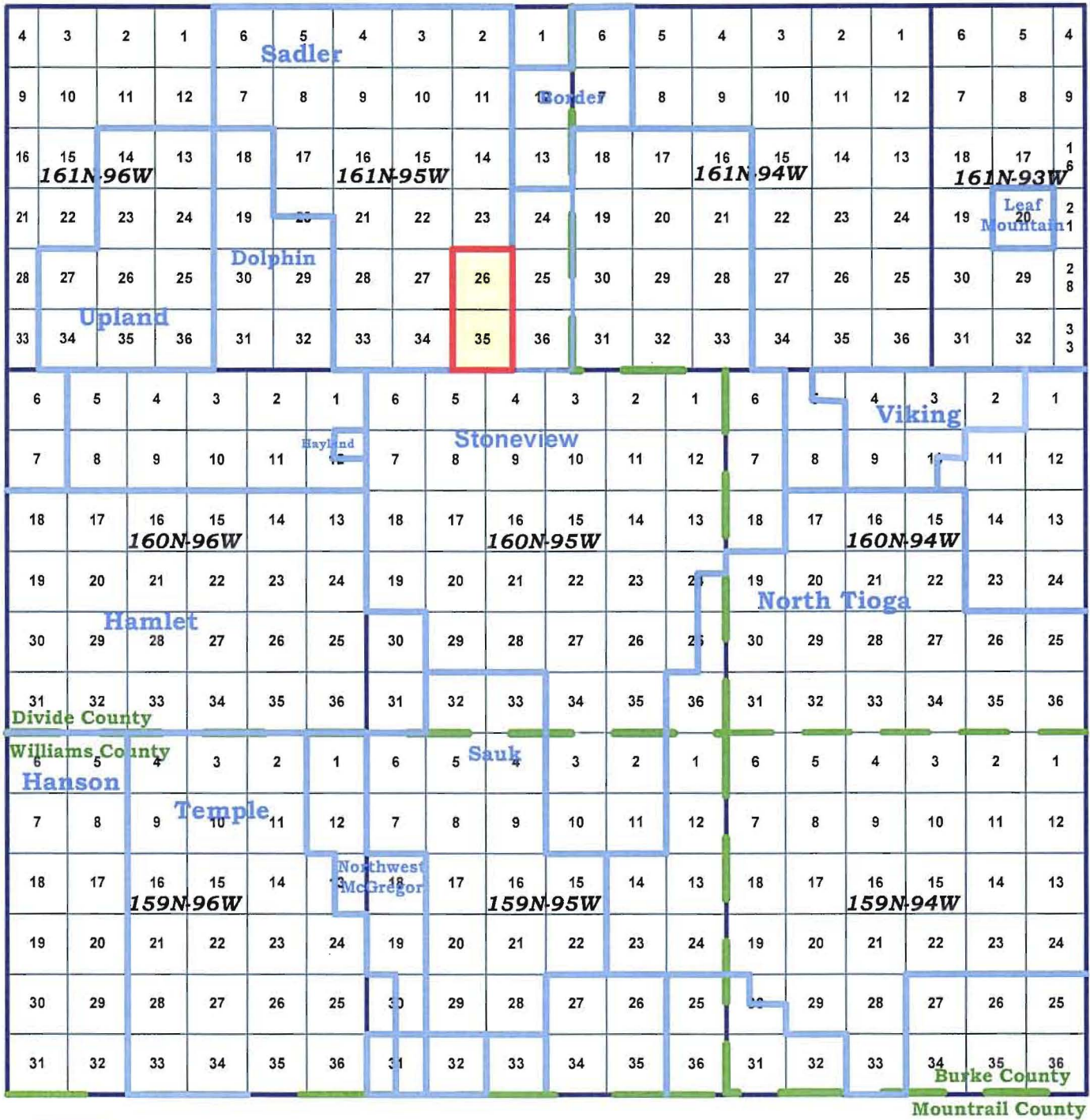


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Application for an order authorizing the drilling, completing and producing of an increased density well on a 1280-acre spacing unit

All of Sections 26 & 35-161N-95W  
Divide County, North Dakota

Before the North Dakota Industrial Commission  
July 28, 2010



Field Outlines



Proposed Increased Density



County Boundaries

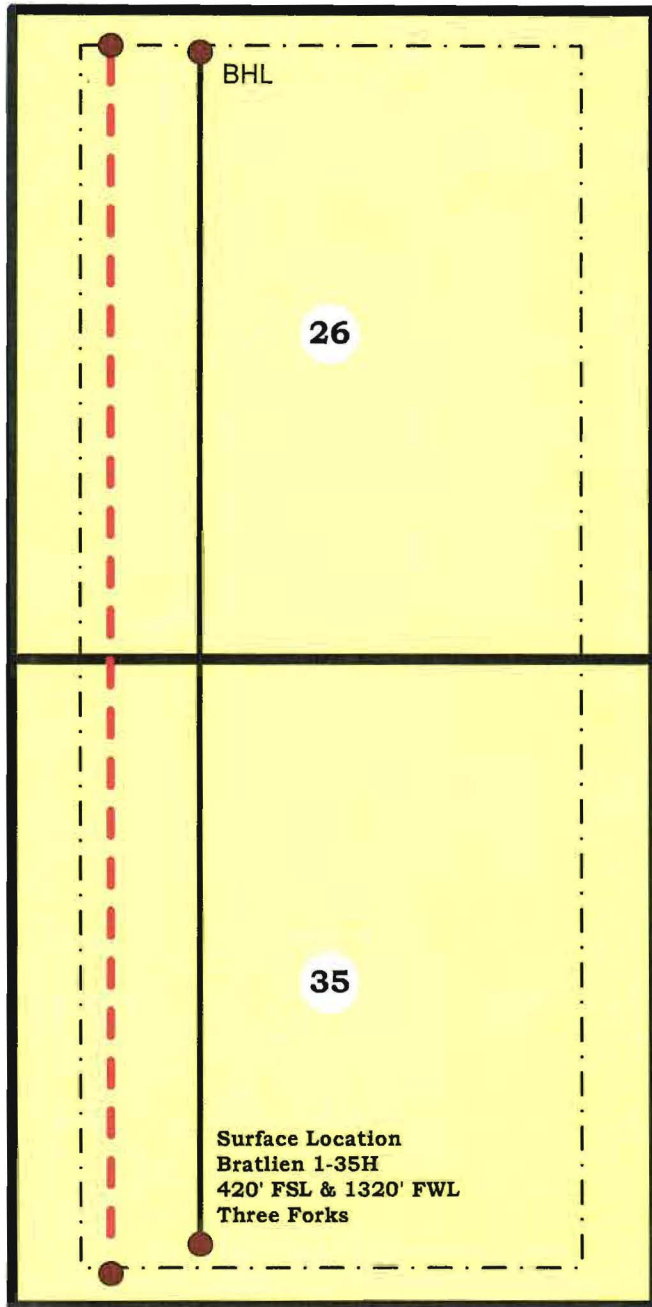
# General Locator Map

**Continental**  
RESOURCES

Exhibit 1  
Case No. 12926

# Land Plat

Township 161 North, Range 95 West  
 All of Sections 26 & 35  
 Divide County, North Dakota



Unit Acreage Total - 1,280.00 Acres



Increased Density Unit



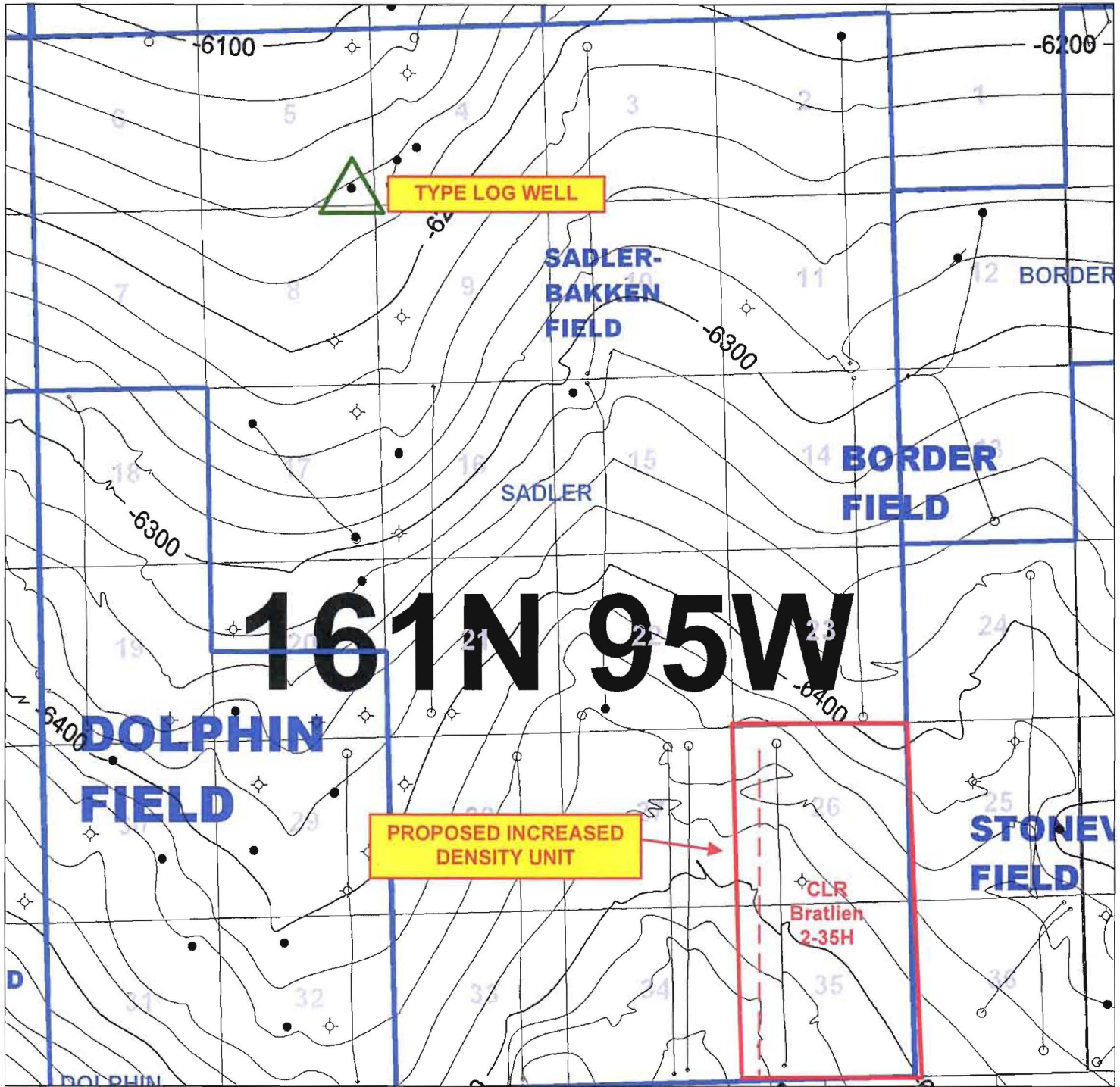
Setback

## Working Interest in Unit Area

<u>Leasehold Owner</u>	<u>Interest</u>
Continental Resources, Inc.	45.74%
Samson Resources Company	25.17%
Northern Oil & Gas, Inc.	13.95%
XTO Energy, Inc.	9.38%
Wheatland Oil, Inc.	3.77%
Dorchester Minerals	1.16%
Rayford T. Reid	0.75%
Fasken Foundation	0.08%
	100.00%





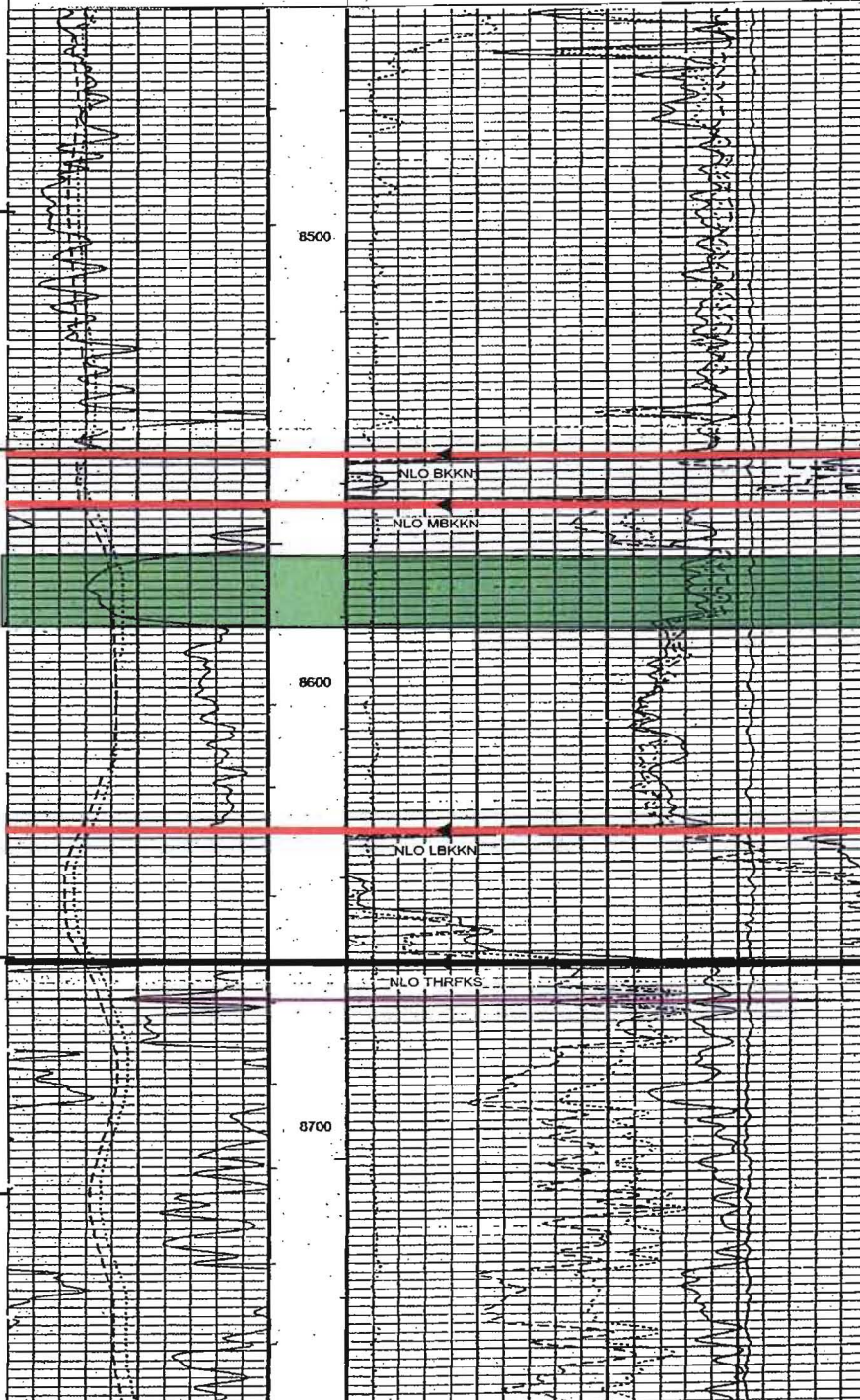


<b>Continental Resources Inc.</b>		
Top Bakken Structure C.I. = 20' Case # 12926		
Exhibit 3		
Larry Campbell	NDIC # 12926	Date: July 13, 2010

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CITATION OIL & GAS C  
SE SE  
TWP: 161 N - Range: 95 W - Sec. 5  
Field=SADLER

Caliper (CAU) (IN)	Stuck Stretch (STI) (F)	Bulk Density Correction (DRHO) (G/C)	Tension (TENS) (LBF)
16	0	0.05	0.45; 10000
Caliper (CALS) (IN)	Cable Drag From STIA to STII	Density Porosity (DPHI) (V/V)	
16	0.3		
Gamma Ray (GR) (GAPI)	Tool/Tot. Drag From DJT to STIA	Neutron Porosity (NPHI) (V/V)	
100	0.3		
		Cross Plot Porosity (PHD) (--)	
		0.3	



LOGEPOLE  
FORMATION

UPPER BAKKEN

MIDDLE  
BAKKEN  
SHALE

LOWER  
BAKKEN  
SHALE

BAKKEN FORMATION

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FORMATION

BAKKEN POOL

50'

50'

Continental  
Resources, Inc.

Type Log

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Exhibit 4

TD=9500

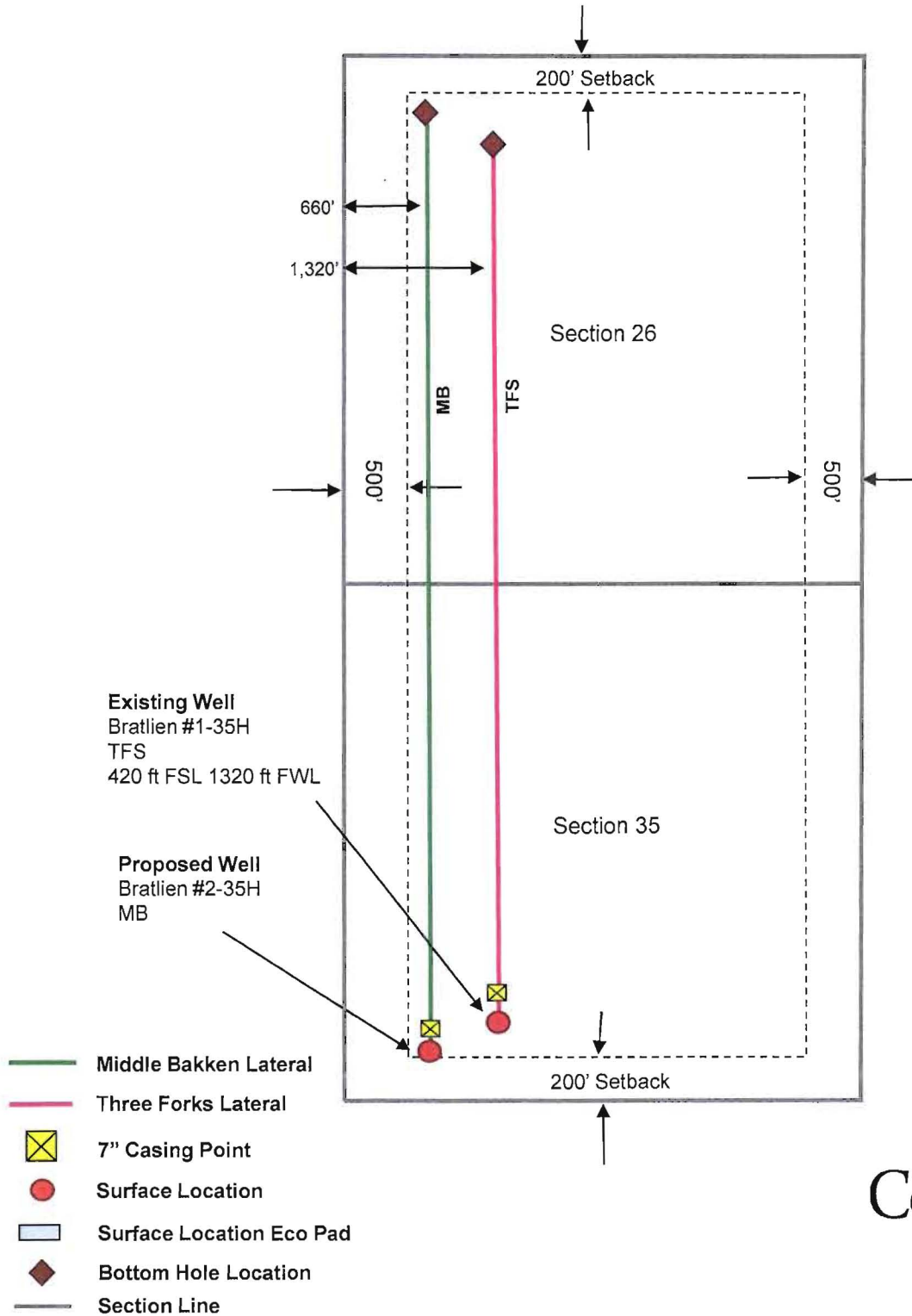


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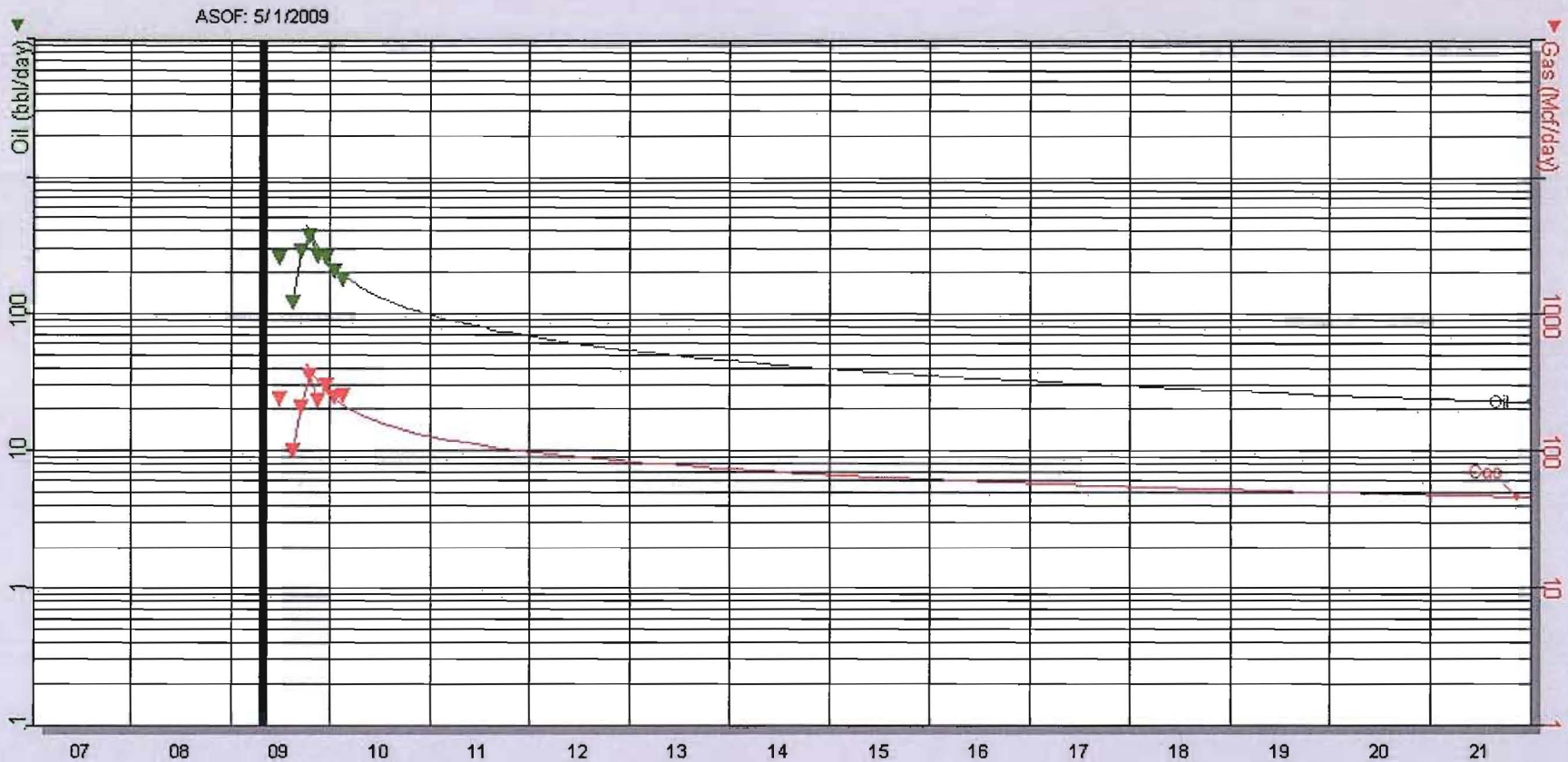
## Increased Density

### Bratlien 2-35H

Section 26 & 35, Township 161N & Range 95W  
Divide County, ND



Case Name: BRATLIEN 1-35H  
Operator: CONTINENTAL RESOURCES INC



**Production Curve**  
**Bratlien 1-35H**  
Section 26 & 35, Township 161N & Range 95W  
Divide County, ND

# Continental Resources, Inc.

1280 Spacing Unit

Bratlien 1-35H

Sections 26 & 35-161N-95W

Divide County, North Dakota

## RESERVES BASIS:

<u>Existing Well</u>		
Reservoir	<b>TF</b>	
Initial Rate	440	BOPD
Final rate	5	BOPD
Decline Rate	99.0%	%
Exponent	1.5	
GOR	1,700	SCF/BBL

## GROSS ECONOMICS

Oil Price	\$65.00	\$/bbl Wellhead
Gas Price	\$4.75	\$/mcf Wellhead
Drilling Costs	6,000	M\$
Operating Cost	5,000	\$/month
Working Interest	100	%
Revenue Interest	83	%
EUR Oil	354	MBO
EUR Gas	600	MMCF
PV@10%	4,054	M\$
IRR	33	%
Payout	2.2	Years



# Continental Resources, Inc.

## Increased Density

### Bratlien 2-35H

### Sections 26 & 35-161N-95W

### Divide County, North Dakota

#### RESERVES BASIS:

##### Proposed Well

Reservoir	<b>MB</b>	
Initial Rate	460	BOPD
Final rate	5	BOPD
Decline Rate	99.1%	%
Exponent	1.5	
GOR	1,300	SCF/BBL

#### GROSS ECONOMICS

Oil Price	\$65.00	\$/bbl Wellhead
Gas Price	\$4.75	\$/mcf Wellhead
Drilling Costs	6,000	M\$
Operating Cost	5,000	\$/month
Working Interest	100	%
Revenue Interest	83	%
EUR Oil	374	MBO
EUR Gas	486	MMCF
PV@10%	3,315	M\$
IRR	26	%
Payout	2.7	Years



**Continental Resources, Inc.**  
**Proposed Increased Density**  
**Bratlien 2-35H**  
**Sections 26 & 35-161N-95W**  
**Divide County, North Dakota**

**Well Status**

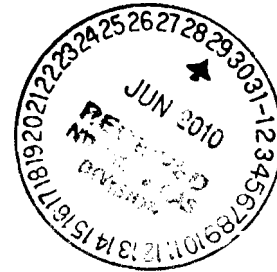
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**Exhibit 9**  
**Case No. 12926**

June 28, 2010

Mr. Bruce Hicks  
Assistant Director  
North Dakota Industrial Commission  
Oil and Gas Division  
600 East Boulevard  
Bismarck, North Dakota 58505-0310



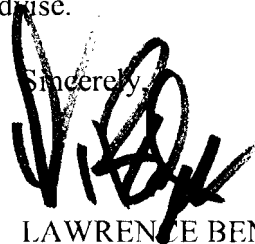
RE: APPLICATION OF  
CONTINENTAL RESOURCES,  
INC. FOR JULY 28, 2010  
HEARINGS

Dear Mr. Hicks:

Please find enclosed herewith for filing an APPLICATION OF CONTINENTAL RESOURCES, INC.

As you will note, pursuant to N.D. Admin. Code § 43-02-03-88.2, Continental Resources, Inc. requests that its witnesses be allowed to participate at the hearing by telephonic means. **ALSO, PLEASE BE ADVISED THAT CONTINENTAL WILL BE REQUESTING AN EXPEDITED ORDER IN THIS MATTER.**

Should you have any questions, please advise.

Sincerely,  


LAWRENCE BENDER

LB/leo  
Enclosure

cc: Ms. Karlene Fine - (w/enc.)  
Mr. Lynn Helms - (w/enc.)  
Mr. Todd Sattler - (w/enc.)  
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BEFORE THE INDUSTRIAL COMMISSION  
OF THE STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA

CASE NO. 12926

**Application of Continental Resources, Inc. for an order of the Commission authorizing the drilling, completing and producing of a total of not more than two wells on a 1280-acre spacing unit described as Sections 26 and 35, Township 161 North, Range 95 West, Sadler-Bakken Pool, Divide County, ND, setting the minimum setbacks from the "heel and toe" of the well to the spacing unit boundaries at 200 feet, eliminating any tool error setback requirements and/or such other and further relief as appropriate.**



**APPLICATION OF CONTINENTAL RESOURCES, INC.**

Continental Resources, Inc. ("Continental"), for its application to the North Dakota Industrial Commission ("Commission"), respectfully states as follows:

1.

Continental is the owner of interest in Sections 26 and 35, Township 161 North, Range 95 West, Sadler-Bakken Pool, Divide County, North Dakota.

2.

Sections 26 and 35, Township 161 North, Range 95 West, constitute a spacing unit in the Sadler-Bakken Pool.

3.

Continental is desirous of drilling and completing a total of not more than two wells on the above-described spacing unit for the Sadler-Bakken Pool.

4.

That in order to increase the ultimate recovery of the reservoir, prevent waste, and protect correlative rights, Continental hereby requests that the Commission enter an order authorizing the drilling, completing and producing of a total of not more than two wells on a 1280-acre spacing unit described as Sections 26 and 35, Township 161 North, Range 95 West, Sadler-Bakken Pool, MDivide County, North Dakota.

**WHEREFORE**, Continental requests the following:

- (a) That this matter be set for the regularly scheduled July 28, 2010 hearings of the Commission;
- (b) That pursuant to Section 43-02-03-88.2 of the North Dakota Administrative Code, Continental's witnesses in this matter be allowed to participate by telephonic means; and
- (c) That thereafter the Commission issue an order granting the relief requested and such other and further relief as the Commission may deem appropriate.

**DATED** this 28 day of June, 2010.

FREDRIKSON & BYRON, P.A.

By 

LAWRENCE BENDER

*Attorneys for Applicant*

*Continental Resources, Inc.*

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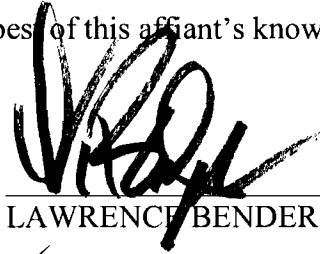
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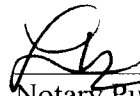
STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA )  
 )ss.  
COUNTY OF BURLEIGH )

LAWRENCE BENDER, being first duly sworn on oath, deposes and says that he is the attorney for the applicant named herein, that he has read the foregoing application, knows the contents thereof, and that the same is true to the best of this affiant's knowledge and belief.

  
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LAWRENCE BENDER

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 28 day of June, 2010.



  
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Notary Public  
My Commission Expires: \_\_\_\_\_

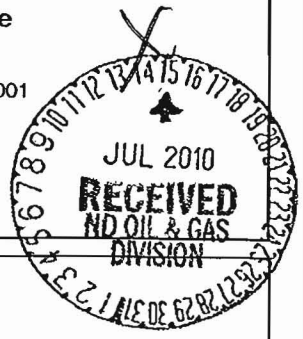
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N.D. INDUSTRIAL COMMISSION  
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The North Dakota Industrial Commission will hold a public hearing at 2:00 p.m. Wednesday, July 28, 2010 at the N.D. Oil & Gas Division, 1016 East Calgary Bismarck, N. D. At the hearing the Commission will receive testimony and exhibits. Persons with any interest in the cases listed below, take notice.

**PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES:** If at the hearing you need special facilities or assistance, contact the Oil and Gas Division at 701-328-8038 by Thursday, July 15, 2010.

**STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA TO:**

Case No. 12843: Temporary spacing to develop an oil and/or gas pool discovered by the Ritchie Expl., Inc. #1-27 Sylvia, Lot 2, Section 27, T.164N., R.77W., Bottineau County, ND, define the field limits, and enact such special field rules as may be necessary.

Case No. 12844: Temporary spacing to develop an oil and/or gas pool discovered by the EOG Resources, Inc. #1-151 Handrabble, NENW Section 16, T.152N., R.103W., Williams County, ND, define the field limits, and enact such special field rules as may be necessary.

Case No. 12845: Application of EOG Resources, Inc. for an order amending the field rules for the Parshall-Bakken Pool to create a 1280-acre spacing unit comprised of Sections 19 and 30, T.154N., R.92W., Mountrail County, ND, authorizing the drilling of a horizontal well within said spacing unit, setting the minimum setbacks from the "heel and toe" of the well to the spacing unit boundaries at 200 feet, and such other relief as is appropriate.

Case No. 12846: Application of EOG Resources, Inc. for an order amending the field rules for the Alger-Bakken Pool to create two 1280-acre spacing units comprised of Sections 16 and 17, and Sections 27 and 28, T.156N., R.82W., Mountrail County, ND, authorizing the drilling of a horizontal well within each spacing unit, setting the minimum setbacks from the "heel and toe" of the well to the spacing unit boundaries at 200 feet, and such other relief as is appropriate.

Case No. 12847: Application of EOG Resources, Inc. for an order amending the field rules for the Alger-Bakken Pool to create two 1920-acre spacing units comprised of Sections 6, 7, and 8, and Sections 17 and 18, T.156N., R.82W., Mountrail County, ND, authorizing the drilling of a total of not more than six horizontal wells within each spacing unit, setting the minimum setbacks from the "heel and toe" of the well to the spacing unit boundaries at 200 feet, and such other relief as is appropriate.

Case No. 12848: Application of EOG Resources, Inc. for an order extending the field boundaries and amending the field rules for the Cottonwood and/or Alger-Bakken Pools to create two 2560-acre spacing units comprised of Sections 33 and 34, T.153N., R.92W., and Sections 5 and 6, T.153N., R.92W., and Sections 34 and 35, T.153N., R.92W., and Sections 4 and 5, T.153N., R.92W., Mountrail County, ND, authorizing the drilling of a total of not more than six horizontal wells within each spacing unit, setting the minimum setbacks from the "heel and toe" of the well to the spacing unit boundaries at 200 feet, and such other relief as is appropriate.

Case No. 12849: Application of EOG Resources, Inc. for an order amending the field rules for the Ross and Alger-Bakken Pools to create a 640-acre spacing unit comprised of the W/2 of Section 31, T.157N., R.91W., and the E/2 of Section 3, T.156N., R.92W., Mountrail County, ND, authorizing the drilling of a horizontal well within said spacing unit, setting the minimum setbacks from the "heel and toe" of the well to the spacing unit boundaries at 200 feet, and such other relief as is appropriate.

Case No. 12850: Application of EOG Resources, Inc. for an order amending the field rules for the Clear Water-Bakken Pool to authorize the drilling, completion and producing of a total of not more than three wells in a 1280-acre spacing unit described as Sections 13 and 24, T.158N., R.91W., Mountrail County, ND, and such other relief as is appropriate.

Case No. 12539: (Continued) Application of EOG Resources, Inc. for an order creating a 1440-acre drilling unit comprised of Sections 13, 24, and 25, T.151N., R.91W., less Lots 1, 2, 3, and 4 in each section, McKenzie County, ND, authorizing the drilling of not more than six horizontal wells within said drilling unit at a location not less than 500 feet from the boundary of said drilling unit, reducing the minimum setbacks from the heel and toe of the well to the drilling unit boundaries, and such other relief as is appropriate.

Case No. 12761: (Continued) Application of EOG Resources, Inc. for an order authorizing the drilling, completion and producing of a total of not more than four wells on a 1920-acre spacing unit described as Sections 9, 10, and 11, T.151N., R.91W., on each 1600-acre spacing unit described as the W/2 of Section 14 and Sections 15 and 16, T.151N., R.91W., Sections 21 and 22, and the W/2 of Section 23, T.151N., R.91W., and the W/2 of Section 24, T.151N., R.91W., and the W/2 of Section 25, T.151N., R.91W., Van Hook-Bakken Pool, Mountrail County, ND, and such other relief as is appropriate.

Case No. 12851: Temporary spacing to develop an oil and/or gas pool discovered by the Cirque Resources, LP #1-101 Gunnison State, SESE Section 36, T.161N., R.91W., Burke County, ND, define the field limits, and enact such special field rules as may be necessary.

Case No. 12852: Temporary spacing to develop an oil and/or gas pool discovered by the Brigham Oil & Gas, LP #1-H Tjelde 29-32, NENW Section 29, T.151N., R.102W., McKenzie County, ND, define the field limits, and enact such special field rules as may be necessary.

Case No. 12853: Application of Brigham Oil & Gas, LP for an order extending the field boundaries and amending the field rules for the Todd-Bakken Pool to create and establish a 1280-acre spacing unit comprised of Sections 2 and 11, T.155N., R.101W., Williams County, ND, authorizing the drilling of one horizontal well on said spacing unit, and such other relief as is appropriate.

Case No. 12854: Application of Brigham Oil & Gas, LP for an order extending the field boundaries and amending the field rules for the Alger-Bakken Pool to create and establish a 1280-acre spacing unit comprised of Sections 1 and 12, T.155N., R.94W., Mountrail County, ND, authorizing the drilling of one horizontal well on said spacing unit, and such other relief as is appropriate.

unit boundaries at 200 feet; and such other relief as is appropriate.

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Case No. 12761: (Continued) Application of EOG Resources, Inc. for an order authorizing the drilling, completion and producing of a total of not more than four wells on a 1920-acre spacing unit described as Sections 9, 10, and 11, T.151N., R.91W., on each 1600-acre spacing unit described as the W/2 of Section 14 and Sections 15 and 16, T.151N., R.91W., Sections 21 and 22, and the W/2 of Section 23, T.151N., R.91W., and the W/2 of Section 24, T.151N., R.91W., and the W/2 of Section 25, T.151N., R.91W., Van Hook-Bakken Pool, Mountrail County, ND, and such other relief as is appropriate.

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Case No. 12855: Application of Continental Resources, Inc. for an order extending the field boundaries and amending the field rules for the Camp and/or Banks-Bakken Pools to create and establish seven 1600-acre spacing units comprised of Sections 29 and 32, and the S/2 of Section 20; Sections 28 and 31, and the S/2 of Section 21; Sections 27 and 34 and the S/2 of Section 22, T.153N., R.99W.; Sections 26 and 35, T.153N., R.99W., and the N/2 of 5, T.152N., R.99W.; Sections 25 and 36, T.153N., R.99W.; and the N/2 of Section 4, T.152N., R.99W.; Sections 30 and 31, T.153N., R.98W., and the N/2 of 3, T.152N., R.99W.; and Sections 29 and 32, T.153N., R.98W., and the N/2 of 2, T.152N., R.99W.; and two 960-acre spacing units comprised of the S/2 of Section 2 and Section 11, and the S/2 of Section 3 and Section 10, T.152N., R.99W., Williams and McKenzie Counties, ND, authorizing the drilling of one horizontal well on each spacing unit, setting the minimum setbacks from the "heel and toe" of the well to the spacing unit boundaries at 200 feet, and such other relief as is appropriate.

Case No. 12856: Application of Continental Resources, Inc. for an order amending the field rules for the Camp-Bakken Pool to create a 2560-acre spacing unit comprised of Sections 2, 11, 14, and 23, T.152N., R.100W., McKenzie and Williams Counties, ND, authorizing the drilling of up to four horizontal wells from said well pad within said 2560-acre spacing unit, eliminating the 1220 setback rule, setting the minimum setbacks from the "heel and toe" of the well to the spacing unit boundaries at 200 feet, eliminating any tool error requirements, and such other relief as is appropriate.

Case No. 12857: Application of Continental Resources, Inc. for an order extending the field boundaries and amending the field rules for the Corinth-Bakken Pool to create and establish two 1280-acre spacing units comprised of Sections 16 and 21, and Sections 26 and 35, T.159N., R.97W., Williams County, ND, authorizing the drilling of one horizontal well on each spacing unit, setting the minimum setbacks from the "heel and toe" of the well to the spacing unit boundaries at 200 feet, and such other relief as is appropriate.

Case No. 12858: Application of Continental Resources, Inc. for an order extending the field boundaries and amending the field rules for the Upland-Bakken Pool to create and establish eight 1280-acre spacing units comprised of Sections 2 and 11; Sections 15 and 22; Sections 16 and 21; Sections 17 and 20; Sections 18 and 19; Sections 28 and 33; Sections 29 and 32; and Sections 30 and 31, T.161N., R.96W., Divide County, ND, authorizing the drilling of one horizontal well on each spacing unit, setting the minimum setbacks from the "heel and toe" of the well to the spacing unit boundaries at 200 feet, and such other relief as is appropriate.

Case No. 12859: Application of Continental Resources, Inc. for an order amending the field rules for the Oakdale-Bakken Pool to create a 2560-acre spacing unit comprised of Sections 22, 27, and 34, T.147N., R.96W., and Section 3, T.146N., R.96W., Dunn County, ND, authorizing the drilling of up to four horizontal wells from said well pad within said 2560-acre spacing unit, eliminating the 1220 setback rule, setting the minimum setbacks from the "heel and toe" of the well to the spacing unit boundaries at 200 feet, eliminating any tool error requirements, and such other relief as is appropriate.

Case No. 12860: Application of Continental Resources, Inc. for an order amending the field rules for the Pershing and North

Bakken Pools to create a 2560-acre spacing unit comprised of Sections 13, 24, 25, and 36, T.150N., R.97W., McKenzie County, ND, authorizing the drilling of up to four horizontal wells from said well pad within said 2560-acre spacing unit, eliminating the 1220 setback rule, setting the minimum setbacks from the "heel and toe" of the well to the spacing unit boundaries at 200 feet, eliminating any tool error requirements, and such other relief as is appropriate.

Case No. 12861: Application of Continental Resources, Inc. for an order amending the field rules for the Elm Tree-Bakken Pool to create a 2560-acre spacing unit comprised of Sections 14, 23, 26, and 35, T.153N., R.94W., McKenzie County, ND, authorizing the drilling of up to four horizontal wells from said well pad within said 2560-acre spacing unit, eliminating the 1220 setback rule, setting the minimum setbacks from the "heel and toe" of the well to the spacing unit boundaries at 200 feet, eliminating any tool error requirements, and such other relief as is appropriate.

Case No. 12862: Application of Continental Resources, Inc. for an order amending the field rules for the Poker Jim-Bakken Pool to create and establish a 1280-acre spacing unit comprised of Sections 17 and 20, T.146N., R.103W., McKenzie County, ND, authorizing the drilling of one horizontal well on said spacing unit, setting the minimum setbacks from the "heel and toe" of the well to the spacing unit boundaries at 200 feet, and such other relief as is appropriate.

Case No. 12863: Application of Continental Resources, Inc. for an order extending the field boundaries and amending the field rules for the Bicentennial-Bakken Pool to create and establish four 1280-acre spacing units comprised of Sections 29 and 32, T.146N., R.103W.; Sections 3 and 10; Sections 5 and 8, T.145N., R.103W.; and Sections 16 and 21, T.144N., R.103W., McKenzie and Golden Valley Counties, ND, authorizing the drilling of one horizontal well on each spacing unit, setting the minimum setbacks from the "heel and toe" of the well to the spacing unit boundaries at 200 feet, and such other relief as is appropriate.

Case No. 12864: Application of Continental Resources, Inc. for an order extending the field boundaries and amending the field rules for the Squaw Gap-Bakken Pool to create a 1280-acre spacing unit comprised of Sections 28 and 33, T.146N., R.104W., McKenzie County, ND, authorizing the drilling of a horizontal well within said spacing unit, setting the minimum setbacks from the "heel and toe" of the well to the spacing unit boundaries at 200 feet, and such other relief as is appropriate.

Case No. 12316: (Continued) Application of Continental Resources, Inc. for an order amending the field rules for the Big Gulch-Bakken Pool for two 1280-acre spacing units comprised of Sections 7 and 18; and Sections 19 and 30, T.147N., R.96W., Dunn County, ND, authorizing as increase density wells, the drilling of up to four additional horizontal wells from the same well pad within said spacing units, eliminating the minimum setbacks from the "heel and toe" of the well to the spacing unit boundaries, eliminating any tool error requirements, and such other relief as is appropriate.

Case No. 12751: (Continued) Temporary spacing to develop an oil and/or gas pool discovered by the Continental Resources, Inc. #1-L Ravin, N4WNE Section 1, T.151N., R.97W., McKenzie County, ND, define the field limits, and enact such special field rules as may be necessary.

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Case No. 12938: Application of Anschutz Exploration Corp. for an order pursuant to NDAC § 43-02-03-88.1 pooling all interests in a spacing unit for the Jaeger State #1-34-27H-144-97, Sections 27 and 34, T.144N., R.97W., Cabernet-Bakken Pool, Dunn County, ND as provided by NDCC § 38-08-08, and such other relief as is appropriate.

Case No. 12939: Application of Anschutz Exploration Corp. for an order pursuant to NDAC § 43-02-03-88.1 pooling all interests in a spacing unit for the Kenneth Stron #1-12-1H-143-97, Sections 1 and 12, T.143N., R.97W., Cabernet-Bakken Pool, Dunn County, ND as provided by NDCC § 38-08-08 and such other relief as is appropriate.

Case No. 12940: Application of Anschutz Exploration Corp. for an order authorizing the drilling, completing and producing of horizontal increase density wells on each 1280-acre spacing unit within the St. Anthony-Bakken Pool, Dunn County, ND, not to exceed a total of six horizontal wells on each such spacing unit, eliminating any tool error requirements and also setting the minimum setbacks from the "heel and toe" of the well to the spacing unit boundaries at 200 feet, and such other relief as is appropriate.

Case No. 12941: Application of Anschutz Exploration Corp. for an order authorizing the drilling, completing and producing of horizontal increase density wells on each 1280-acre spacing unit within Zones I and II of the Willmen-Bakken Pool, Dunn and Billings Counties, ND; not to exceed a total of six horizontal wells on each such spacing unit, eliminating any tool error requirements and also setting the minimum setbacks from the "heel and toe" of the well to the spacing unit boundaries at 200 feet, and such other relief as is appropriate.

Case No. 12942: Application of Anschutz Exploration Corp. for an order authorizing the drilling, completing and producing of horizontal increase density wells on each 1280-acre spacing unit within the Smooth-Butte-Bakken Pool, Dunn County, ND, not to exceed a total of six horizontal wells on each such spacing unit, eliminating any tool error requirements and also setting the minimum setbacks from the "heel and toe" of the well to the spacing unit boundaries at 200 feet, and such other relief as is appropriate.

Case No. 12943: Application of Anschutz Exploration Corp. for an order authorizing the drilling, completing and producing of horizontal increase density wells on each 1280-acre spacing unit within Zone II of the Hungry Man-Butte-Bakken Pool, Billings County, ND, not to exceed a total of six horizontal wells on each such spacing unit, eliminating any tool error requirements and also setting the minimum setbacks from the "heel and toe" of the well to the spacing unit boundaries at 200 feet, and such other relief as is appropriate.

Case No. 12944: Application of Anschutz Exploration Corp. for an order authorizing the drilling, completing and producing of horizontal increase density wells on each of the following 1280-acre spacing units Sections 4 & 9; Sections 5 & 8; Sections 6 & 7; Sections 17 & 20; Sections 18 & 19; T.142N., R.98W.; Sections 18 & 19; Sections 30 & 31; T.143N., R.98W.; Sections 13 & 24; Sections 14 & 23; Sections 15 & 22; Sections 21 & 24; and Sections 26 & 35, T.143N., R.99W., St. Demetrius-Bakken Pool, Billings County, ND, not to exceed a total of six horizontal wells on each such spacing unit, eliminating any tool error requirements and also setting the minimum setbacks from the "heel and toe" of the well to the spacing unit boundaries at 200 feet, and such other relief as is appropriate.

Case No. 12945: Application of Anschutz Exploration Corp. for an order authorizing the drilling, completing and producing of horizontal increase density wells on each 1280-acre spacing unit within Zone II of the Fayette-Bakken Pool, Dunn County, ND, not to exceed a total of six horizontal wells on each such spacing unit, eliminating any tool error requirements and also setting the minimum setbacks from the "heel and toe" of the well to the spacing unit boundaries at 200 feet and/or such other relief as is appropriate.

Case No. 12946: Application of Anschutz Exploration Corp. for an order authorizing the drilling, completing and producing of horizontal increase density wells on each 1280-acre spacing unit within Zones I and II of the Russian Creek-Bakken Pool, Dunn County, ND, not to exceed a total of six horizontal wells on each such spacing unit, eliminating any tool error requirements and also setting the minimum setbacks from the "heel and toe" of the well to the spacing unit boundaries at 200 feet, and such other relief as is appropriate.

Case No. 12947: Application of Anschutz Exploration Corp. for an order authorizing the drilling, completing and producing of horizontal increase density wells on each 1280-acre spacing unit within the Manning-Bakken Pool, Dunn County, ND, not to exceed a total of six horizontal wells on each such spacing unit, eliminating any tool error requirements and also setting the minimum setbacks from the "heel and toe" of the well to the spacing unit boundaries at 200 feet, and such other relief as is appropriate.

Case No. 12948: Application of Anschutz Exploration Corp. for an order authorizing the drilling, completing and producing of horizontal increase density wells on each 1280-acre spacing unit within Zone II of the Cabernet-Bakken Pool, Dunn County, ND, not to exceed a total of six horizontal wells on each such spacing unit, eliminating any tool error requirements and also setting the minimum setbacks from the "heel and toe" of the well to the spacing unit boundaries at 200 feet, and such other relief as is appropriate.

Case No. 12949: Application of Anschutz Exploration Corp. for an order authorizing the drilling, completing and producing of horizontal increase density wells on each 1280-acre spacing unit within Zones IV, V, and VII of the Murphy Creek-Bakken Pool, Dunn County, ND, not to exceed a total of six horizontal wells on each such spacing unit, eliminating any tool error requirements and also setting the minimum setbacks from the "heel and toe" of the well to the spacing unit boundaries at 200 feet, and such other relief as is appropriate.

Case No. 12950: Application of Zavanna, LLC for an order pursuant to NDAC § 43-02-03-88.1 pooling all interests in a spacing unit for the Gary #1-24H, Section 24, T.154N., R.99W., Stockyard Creek-Bakken Pool, Williams County, ND; and also to consider a petition for a risk penalty requesting an order authorizing the recovery of a risk penalty from certain non-participating owners in the drilling and completion of the Gary #1-24H well as provided by NDCC § 38-08-08, and such other relief as is appropriate.

Case No. 12951: Application of Zavanna, LLC for an order pursuant to NDAC § 43-02-03-88.1 pooling all interests in a spacing unit for the Hanson 28-33 #1H, Sections 28 and 33, T.154N., R.99W., Stockyard Creek-Bakken Pool, Williams County, ND; and also to consider a petition for a risk penalty requesting an order authorizing the recovery of a risk penalty from certain non-participating owners in the drilling and completion of the Hanson 28-33 #1H well as provided by NDCC § 38-08-08 of the NDCC, and such other relief as is appropriate.

Case No. 12952: Application of Fidelity Expl. & Prod. Co. for an order pursuant to NDAC § 43-02-03-88.1 pooling all interests in a spacing unit for the Lynn #19-20-29H, Sections 19, 20, 29, and 30, T.154N., R.92W., Sanish-Bakken Pool, Mountrail County, ND as provided by NDCC § 38-08-08, and such other relief as is appropriate.

Case No. 12953: Application of Fidelity Expl. & Prod. Co. for an order pursuant to NDAC § 43-02-03-88.1 pooling all interests in a spacing unit for the Domaskin #19-30-29H, Sections 19, 20, 29, and 30, T.154N., R.92W., Sanish-Bakken Pool, Mountrail County, ND as provided by NDCC § 38-08-08, and such other relief as is appropriate.

Case No. 12954: Application of Samson Resources Co. for an order pursuant to NDAC § 43-02-03-88.1 pooling all interests in a spacing unit for the Hanson #17-20-163-98H, Sections 17 and 20, T.163N., R.98W., Blooming Prairie-Bakken Pool, Divide County, ND as provided by NDCC § 38-08-08, and such other relief as is appropriate.

Case No. 12955: Application of Samson Resources Co. for an order pursuant to NDAC § 43-02-03-88.1 pooling all interests in a spacing unit for the Antonson #01-12-163-95H, Sections 1 and 12, T.163N., R.95W., Forthun-Bakken Pool, Divide County, ND as provided by NDCC § 38-08-08, and such other relief as is appropriate.

Case No. 12956: Application of Samson Resources Co. for an order pursuant to NDAC § 43-02-03-88.1 pooling all interests in a spacing unit described as Sections 2 and 11, T.163N., R.95W., Forthun-Bakken Pool, Divide County, ND as provided by NDCC § 38-08-08, and such other relief as is appropriate.

Case No. 12957: Application of Samson Resources Co. for an order pursuant to NDAC § 43-02-03-88.1 pooling all interests in a spacing unit described as Sections 15 and 22, T.163N., R.95W., Forthun-Bakken Pool, Divide County, ND as provided by NDCC § 38-08-08 and such other and further relief.

Case No. 12958: Application of Blawson Exploration Co., Inc. for an order pursuant to NDAC § 43-02-03-88.1 pooling all interests in a spacing unit described as Sections 29 and 32, T.151N., R.92W., Big Bend-Bakken Pool, Mountrail County, ND, as provided by NDCC § 38-08-08, and such other relief as is appropriate.

Case No. 12959: Application of Blawson Exploration Co., Inc. for an order pursuant to NDAC § 43-02-03-88.1 pooling all interests in a spacing unit described as Section 32, T.151N., R.92W., Big Bend-Bakken Pool, Mountrail County, ND, as provided by NDCC § 38-08-08, and such other relief as is appropriate.

Case No. 12960: Application of Tracker Resource Development II, LLC for an order pursuant to NDAC § 43-02-03-88.1 pooling all interests in a spacing unit described as Sections 17 and 20, T.153N., R.98W., Trux-Bakken Pool, Williams County, ND as provided by NDCC § 38-08-08, and such other relief as is appropriate.

Case No. 12961: Application of Tracker Resource Development II, LLC for an order pursuant to NDAC § 43-02-03-88.1 pooling all interests in a spacing unit described as Sections 18 and 19, T.153N., R.98W., Trux-Bakken Pool, Williams County, ND as provided by NDCC § 38-08-08, and such other relief as is appropriate.

Case No. 12962: Application of Tracker Resource Development II, LLC for an order pursuant to NDAC § 43-02-03-88.1 pooling all interests in a spacing unit described as Sections 6 and 7, T.151N., R.102W., Elk-Bakken Pool, McKenzie County, ND as provided by NDCC § 38-08-08, and such other relief as is appropriate.

Case No. 12963: Application of Tracker Resource Development II, LLC for an order pursuant to NDAC § 43-02-03-88.1 pooling all interests in a spacing unit for the Danielle #12-1H, Sections 1 and 12, T.145N., R.97W., Little Knife-Bakken Pool, Dunn County, ND; and also to consider a petition for a risk penalty requesting an order authorizing the recovery of a risk penalty from certain non-participating owners in the drilling and completion of the Danielle #12-1H well as provided by NDCC § 38-08-08, and such other relief as is appropriate.

Case No. 12964: Application of Newfield Production Co. for an order authorizing the drilling, completing and producing of a total of not more than four wells on lands within a 1280-acre spacing unit described as Sections 29 and 32, T.149N., R.95W., Bear Den-Bakken Pool, McKenzie County, ND, and such further and additional relief.



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19; Sections 28 and 33; Sections and 32; and, Sections 30 and 31, 62N., R.99W., Divide County, ND, authorizing the drilling of a total of more than three horizontal wells each 640 or 1280-acre spacing it, eliminating any tool error requirements, and such other relief as appropriate.

Case No. 12908: Application of cytex Energy USA Ltd. in accordance with NDAC § 43-02-03-88.1 for an order authorizing the conversion of the O'Brien #1-7 well, located the SWSW of Section 7, T.161N., 97W., Divide County, ND, to a salt water disposal well in the Dakota group pursuant to NDAC Chapter 43-02-05, and such other relief as is appropriate.

Case No. 12909: Application of cytex Energy USA Ltd. for an order pursuant to NDAC § 43-02-03-88.1 pooling all interests in a spacing unit described as Section 4, T.162N., R.99W., Ambrose-Bakken Pool, Divide County, ND; as provided by NDCC § 38-08-08, and such other relief as is appropriate.

Case No. 12910: Application of cytex Energy USA Ltd. for an order pursuant to NDAC § 43-02-03-88.1 pooling all interests in a spacing unit described as Section 5, T.162N., R.99W., Ambrose-Bakken Pool, Divide County, ND; as provided by NDCC § 38-08-08, and such other relief as is appropriate.

Case No. 12911: Application of cytex Energy USA Ltd. for an order pursuant to NDAC § 43-02-03-88.1 pooling all interests in a spacing unit described as Sections 6 and 7, T.162N., R.99W., Ambrose-Bakken Pool, Divide County, ND; as provided by NDCC § 38-08-08, and such other relief as is appropriate.

Case No. 12912: Application of cytex Energy USA Ltd. for an order pursuant to NDAC § 43-02-03-88.1 pooling all interests in a spacing unit described as Sections 18 and 19, T.162N., R.99W., Ambrose-Bakken

pooling and producing of a total of not more than two wells on a 1280-acre spacing unit described as Sections 26 and 35, T.161N., R.95W., Sadler-Bakken Pool, Divide County, ND, setting the minimum setbacks from the "heel and toe" of the well to the spacing unit boundaries at 200 feet, eliminating any tool error setback requirements, and such other relief as is appropriate.

Case No. 12954: Application of Samson Resources Co. for an order pursuant to NDAC § 43-02-03-88.1 pooling all interests in a spacing unit for the Hanson #17-20-163-98H, Sections 17 and 20, T.163N., R.98W., Blooming Prairie-Bakken Pool, Divide County, ND as provided by NDCC § 38-08-08, and such other relief as is appropriate.

Case No. 12955: Application of Samson Resources Co. for an order pursuant to NDAC § 43-02-03-88.1 pooling all interests in a spacing unit for the Antonson #01-12-163-95H, Sections 1 and 12, T.163N., R.95W., Forthun-Bakken Pool, Divide County, ND as provided by NDCC § 38-08-08, and such other relief as is appropriate.

Case No. 12956: Application of Samson Resources Co. for an order pursuant to NDAC § 43-02-03-88.1 pooling all interests in a spacing unit described as Sections 2 and 11, T.163N., R.95W., Forthun-Bakken Pool, Divide County, ND as provided by NDCC § 38-08-08, and such other relief as is appropriate.

Case No. 12957: Application of Samson Resources Co. for an order pursuant to NDAC § 43-02-03-88.1 pooling all interests in a spacing unit described as Sections 15 and 22, T.163N., R.95W., Forthun-Bakken Pool, Divide County, ND as provided by NDCC § 38-08-08 and such other and further relief.

Signed by,  
John Hoeven, Governor  
Chairman,  
ND Industrial Commission

*Cases listed on back of EP 7-20-10 Book copy*



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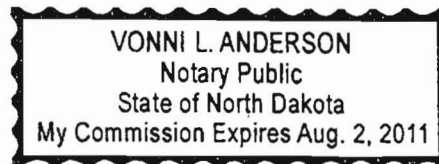
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The North Dakota Industrial Commission will hold a public hearing at 9:00 a.m. Wednesday, July 28, 2010, at the N.D. Oil & Gas Division, 1016 East Calgary Ave., Bismarck, N. D.

At the hearing the Commission will receive testimony and exhibits. Persons with any interest in the cases listed below, take notice.

**PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES:** If at the hearing you need special facilities or assistance, contact the Oil and Gas Division at 701-328-8038 by Thursday, July 15, 2010. STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA TO:

Case No. 12858: Application of Continental Resources, Inc. for an order extending the field boundaries and amending the field rules for the Upland-Bakken Pool to create and establish eight 1280-acre spacing units comprised of Sections 2 and 11; Sections 15 and 22; Sections 16 and 21; Sections 17 and 20; Sections 18 and 19; Sections 28 and 33; Sections 29 and 32; and Sections 30 and 31, T.161N., R.96W., Divide County, ND, authorizing the drilling of one horizontal well on each spacing unit, setting the minimum setbacks from the "heel and toe" of the well to the spacing unit boundaries at 200 feet, and such other relief as is appropriate.

Case No. 12868: Application of Samson Resources Co. for an order extending the field boundaries and amending the field rules for the Forthun-Bakken Pool to create and establish four 800-acre spacing units comprised of Sections 27 and 34; Sections 28 and 33; Sections 29 and 32; and Sections 30 and 31, T.164N., R.95W.; and six 1280-acre spacing units comprised of Sections 25 and 36; Sections 26 and 35; Sections 27 and 34; Sections 28 and 33; Sections 29 and 32; and, Sections 30 and 31, T.163N., R.95W., Divide County, ND, authorizing the drilling of one horizontal well on said spacing unit, and such other relief as is appropri-

Case No. 12869: Application of Samson Resources Co. for an order creating five 800-acre drilling units comprised of Sections 26 and 35; Sections 27 and 34; Sections 28 and 33; Sections 29 and 32; and Sections 30 and 31, T.164N., R.98W., Divide County, ND, authorizing the drilling of a horizontal well within each drilling unit, and such other relief as is appropriate.

Case No. 12870: Application of Samson Resources Co. for an order creating four 1280-acre drilling units comprised of Sections 5 and 8; Sections 6 and 7; Sections 17 and 20; and Sections 18 and 19, T.163N., R.95W., Divide County, ND, authorizing the drilling of a horizontal well within each drilling unit, and such other relief as is appropriate.

Case No. 12872: Application of Baytex Energy USA Ltd. for an order extending the field boundaries and amending the field rules for the Ambrose-Bakken Pool to create and establish four 640-acre spacing units comprised of Sections 4, 5, 8, and 9, T.162N., R.99W.; and seven 1280-acre spacing units comprised of Sections 6 and 7; Section 16 and 21; Sections 17 and 20; Sections 18

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Case No. 12923: Application of Continental Resources, Inc. for an order pursuant to NDAC § 43-02-03-88.1 pooling all interests in a spacing unit described as Sections 4 and 9, T.160N., R.96W., Dolphin-Bakken Pool, Divide County, ND as provided by NDCC § 38-08-08, and such other relief as is appropriate.

Case No. 12924: Application of Continental Resources, Inc. for an order pursuant to NDAC § 43-02-03-88.1 pooling all interests in a spacing unit described as Sections 29 and 32, T.160N., R.96W., Hamlet-Bakken Pool, Divide County, ND as provided by NDCC § 38-08-08, and such other relief as is appropriate.

Case No. 12925: Application of Continental Resources, Inc. for an order pursuant to NDAC § 43-02-03-88.1, pooling all interests in a spacing unit for the Tanberg #1-4H, Sections 4 and 9, T.161N., R.95W., Sadler-Bakken Pool, Divide County, ND as provided by NDCC § 38-08-08, and such other relief as is appropriate.

Case No. 12926: Application of Continental Resources, Inc. for an order authorizing the drilling, com-