

BEFORE THE INDUSTRIAL COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA

CASE NO. 848
ORDER NO. 920

IN THE MATTER OF A HEARING CALLED ON A
MOTION OF THE COMMISSION TO CONSIDER THE
APPLICATION OF CONTINENTAL OIL COMPANY
TO EXTEND THE LIMITS OF AND AMEND THE
FIELD RULES APPLICABLE TO THE DICKINSON-
HEATH POOL IN STARK COUNTY, NORTH
DAKOTA.

ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

BY THE COMMISSION:

Pursuant to legal notice this cause came on for hearing at 9:30 a.m. on the 25th day of May, 1967, at Bismarck, North Dakota, before the Industrial Commission of North Dakota, hereinafter referred to as the "Commission."

NOW, on this 22nd day of June, 1967, 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 pursuant to order of the Industrial Commission, the present limits of the Dickinson-Heath Pool encompass the S/2 of Section 29, all of Sections 30, 31 and 32, Township 140 North, Range 96 West, and the N/2 of Section 5, and the N/2 of Section 6, Township 139 North, Range 96 West, which area is presently on a 160-acre spacing pattern.

(3) That the field outlines of the Dickinson-Heath Pool should be enlarged to include all of Sections 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, N/2 of 29, all of 33, 34, 35 and 36, Township 140 North, Range 96 West, Stark County, North Dakota.

(4) That the existing spaced area of the Dickinson-Heath Pool remain on a 160-acre spacing pattern and that the area above described, for which request is made to include within the limits of said field, be divided as a separate zone and that such area as separately zoned be established on a 320-acre spacing pattern.

(5) That the extension of the field limits to include the above described lands and the establishment and division of separate zones and the retention of the 160-acre spacing within the present field outlines, and the establishment of 320-acre spacing in the areas to be included in the proposed outline will prevent waste, will avoid the drilling of unnecessary wells and will protect correlative rights, and will result in the efficient and economical development of the pool as a whole.

(6) That the Commission has the authority under paragraph (1) section 38-08-07 of the North Dakota Century Code, to grant this request.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

(1) The Dickinson Field be and the same is hereby reclassified and redefined to include the following described tracts of land in Stark County, North Dakota, to wit:

ZONE 1

TOWNSHIP 140 NORTH, RANGE 96 WEST, 5TH PM
ALL OF SECTIONS 30, 31, AND 32, AND THE S/2 OF SECTION 29,

TOWNSHIP 139 NORTH, RANGE 96 WEST, 5TH PM
THE N/2 OF SECTIONS 5 AND 6.

ZONE 2

TOWNSHIP 140 NORTH, RANGE 96 WEST, 5TH PM
ALL OF SECTIONS 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 33, 34, 35, 36, AND THE N/2 OF SECTION 29.

(2) That the location of wells in Zone 1 shall conform to the pattern set forth in Commission's Order No. 609.

(3) That the spacing of wells in Zone 2 shall be one well per 320-acres with wells to be located in the SW quarter of the NW and SE quarters of each section.

(4) That this order shall cover all of the Dickinson Field, as hereinabove defined, and shall continue in full force and effect until further order of the Commission.

DONE, at Bismarck, North Dakota, this 22nd day of June, 1967.

THE NORTH DAKOTA
INDUSTRIAL COMMISSION

/s/ William L. Guy
William L. Guy, Governor

/s/ Helgi Johanneson
Helgi Johanneson, Attorney General

Arne Dahl, Commissioner of Agriculture