BEFORE THE INDUSTRIAL COMMISSION

OF THE STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA

CASE NO. 1043 ORDER NO. 1119

IN THE MATTER OF A HEARING CALLED ON A MOTION OF THE COMMISSION TO CONSIDER THE APPLICATION OF CARDINAL PETROLEUM COMPANY 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.

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 May, 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 $\rm W/2$ 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 Petroleum 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 May, 1971.

THE NORTH DAKOTA INDUSTRIAL COMMISSION

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

/s/ Helgi Johanneson Helgi Johanneson, Attorney General

/s/ Arne Dahl Arne Dahl, Commissioner of Agriculture