

BEFORE THE INDUSTRIAL COMMISSION  
OF THE STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA

CASE NO. 1060  
ORDER NO. 1135

IN THE MATTER OF A HEARING CALLED ON A  
MOTION OF THE COMMISSION TO CONSIDER THE  
APPLICATION OF CONTINENTAL OIL COMPANY  
FOR PERMISSION TO DRILL A WELL IN THE  
CENTER OF THE NE/4 OF SECTION 14, TOWNSHIP  
140 NORTH, RANGE 96 WEST, STARK COUNTY,  
NORTH DAKOTA, AS AN EXCEPTION TO THE  
SPACING PATTERN FOR 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 9th day of September, 1971, at Bismarck, North Dakota, before the State Industrial Commission of North Dakota, hereinafter referred to as the "Commission."

NOW, on this 9th day of September, 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) That evidence presented to the Commission bearing on the matter of well location indicates that a dry hole has been drilled in the SW/4 SE/4 of Section 14, Township 140 North, Range 97 West, and that there is recoverable crude oil in the Heath Reservoir underlying the spacing unit described as the E/2 of Section 14, Township 140 North, Range 96 West.

(3) That the prevention of waste and protection of correlative rights requires that another well be drilled on said spacing unit.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

(1) That Continental Oil Company be and the same is hereby granted, an exception to the spacing pattern in the Dickinson-Heath Field, allowing it to drill a well in the approximate center of the NE/4 of Section 14, Township 140 North, Range 96 West, Stark County, North Dakota.

(2) That Continental Oil Company make application to the office of the State Geologist for permit to drill said well.

DONE, at Bismarck, North Dakota, this 9th day of September, 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