

BEFORE THE INDUSTRIAL COMMISSION  
OF THE STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA

CASE NO. 1102  
ORDER NO. 1179

IN THE MATTER OF A HEARING CALLED ON A  
MOTION OF THE COMMISSION TO CONSIDER THE  
APPLICATION OF CARDINAL PETROLEUM  
COMPANY FOR AN ORDER PERMITTING A WELL  
TO BE DRILLED IN THE SE SW OF SECTION 11,  
TOWNSHIP 140 NORTH, RANGE 96 WEST, STARK  
COUNTY, NORTH DAKOTA, AS AN EXCEPTION TO  
THE SPACING PATTERN IN THE DICKINSON  
FIELD.

ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

BY THE COMMISSION:

Pursuant to legal notice this cause came on for hearing at 9:30 a.m. on the 14th day of November, 1972, at Bismarck, North Dakota, before the Industrial Commission of North Dakota, hereinafter referred to as the "Commission."

NOW, on this 30th day of November, 1972, 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 leasehold estate in the south 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 a well drilled on the above described spacing unit at the proper location encountered minor amounts of oil in noncommercial quantities and was plugged and abandoned.

(4) That evidence presented to the Commission indicates that there is recoverable crude oil in the Heath Reservoir underlying the spacing unit described above.

(5) 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 Cardinal Petroleum Company be and the same is hereby granted permission to drill a well in the approximate center of the SE SW 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 30th day of November, 1972.

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