BEFORE THE INDUSTRIAL COMMISSION

OF THE STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA

CASE NO. 5935 ORDER NO. 6862

IN THE MATTER OF A HEARING CALLED ON A MOTION OF THE COMMISSION TO CONSIDER THE APPLICATION OF CONOCO INC. FOR AN ORDER DETERMINING THAT THE PLAN OF UNITIZATION FOR THE DICKINSON-LODGEPOLE UNIT AREA, STARK COUNTY, NORTH DAKOTA, HAS BEEN SIGNED, RATIFIED OR APPROVED BY OWNERS OF INTEREST OWNING THAT PERCENTAGE OF THE WORKING INTEREST AND ROYALTY INTEREST WITHIN SAID UNIT AS IS REQUIRED BY APPLICABLE STATUTES AND RULES OF THE COMMISSION.

ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

BY THE COMMISSION:

Pursuant to legal notice this cause came on for hearing at 9:00 a.m. on the 8th day of June, 1994, in Bismarck, North Dakota, before an examiner appointed by the Industrial Commission of North Dakota, hereinafter referred to as the "Commission."

NOW, on this 16th day of June, 1994, 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 the Commission approved the creation of the Dickinson-Lodgepole Unit, Stark County, North Dakota and the Plan of Unitization for the unit by its Order No. 6861, dated June 16, 1994.
- (3) That the unit operator, Conoco, Inc., presented evidence which indicates the Plan of Unitization approved by Commission Order No. 6861 has now been signed, ratified or approved by lessees and royalty owners owning the percentage in and to the unit area required by NDCC Section 38-08-09.5.
- (4) That the statutory requirements of NDCC Section 38-08-09.5 have been met.
- (5) That in order to prevent waste and protect correlative rights, the Dickinson-Lodgepole Unit and the Plan of Unitization therefor, should become effective.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

- (1) That the Dickinson-Lodgepole Unit and the Plan of Unitization therefor, shall be effective and operate in accordance with the terms thereof, and in accordance with Commission Order No. 6861.
- (2) That the unit shall become effective at 7:00 a.m. on the first day of July, 1994.

(3) That this order shall remain in full force and effect until further order of the Commission.

Dated this 16th day of June, 1994.

INDUSTRIAL COMMISSION STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA

- /s/ Edward T. Schafer, Governor
- /s/ Heidi Heitkamp, Attorney General
- /s/ Sarah Vogel, Commissioner of Agriculture