

BEFORE THE INDUSTRIAL COMMISSION  
OF THE STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA

IN THE MATTER OF A HEARING CALLED ON A MOTION  
OF THE COMMISSION DIRECTING EARL SCHWARTZ DBA  
GOFOR OIL, INC., AND EARL SCHWARTZ COMPANY, TO  
SHOW CAUSE WHY CERTAIN OF HIS WELLS IN THE MOHALL  
FIELD, BOTTINEAU COUNTY, NORTH DAKOTA, SHOULD NOT  
BE SHUT IN FOR FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH THE GENERAL  
RULES AND REGULATIONS.

CASE NO. 1191  
ORDER NO. 1284

ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

BY THE COMMISSION:

Pursuant to legal notice this cause came on for hearing on the 16th day of May, 1974, at Bismarck, North Dakota, before the Industrial Commission of North Dakota, hereinafter referred to as the "Commission."

NOW, on this 31<sup>st</sup> day of May, 1974, 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, that personal notice having been given Earl Schwartz by certified mail, return receipt requested, and despite the fact Earl Schwartz failed to appear at said hearing, the Commission has jurisdiction of this cause and the subject matter thereof.

(2) That Earl Schwartz dba Gofor Oil, Inc., and Earl Schwartz Company, is the operator of the following wells in Mohall Field, Bottineau County, North Dakota:

Ivan Gehringer Tr-1 #1, SW NE Sec. 31, T. 162N., R. 83W.  
Ivan Gehringer Tr-2 #1, SW NW Sec. 31, T. 162N., R. 83W.  
Mohall Park #1, NE SW Sec. 31, T. 162N., R. 83W.  
Carl O. Gilseth #1, SW NW Sec. 5, T. 161N., R. 83W.  
Carl Gilseth #1, SW SW Sec. 5, T. 161N., R. 83W.  
Rhoda Racke #1, SW NE Sec. 6, T. 161N., R. 83W.  
Anna V. Rouse et al #1, SW SE Sec. 31, T. 162N., R. 83W.  
Sam Simpson et al #2, NE NE Sec. 6, T. 161N., R. 83W.  
George Shurson et al #1, SW SE Sec. 6, T. 161N., R. 83W.  
George Witteman #1-A, NE NE Sec. 7, T. 161N., R. 83W.

(3) That Rule 314 of the Commission provides that after October 1, 1970, all surface pits or containers for the disposal of saltwater liquids or brines produced with oil and natural gas which have not been inspected and approved by the office of the State Geologist and assigned a permit number, were to be emptied and leveled or removed. The rule further provides that at no time shall salt water liquids or brines be allowed to flow over the surface of the land or into

streams.

(4) That Rule 5 of the Commission requires all operators to conduct their operations in a manner that will prevent waste of oil and gas and shall not allow either oil or gas to leak or escape from a natural reservoir, or from wells, tanks, containers, pipe or other storage conduit or operating equipment.

(5) That Rule 310 of the Commission provides that oil shall not be stored or retained in earthen reservoirs, or in open receptacles.

(6) That the following wells are in violation of Rule 5:

Ivan Gehringer Tr-1 #1, SW NE Sec. 31, T. 162N., R. 83W.  
Ivan Gehringer Tr-2 #1, SW NW Sec. 31, T. 162N., R. 83W.  
Rhoda Racke #1, SW NE Sec. 6, T. 161N., R. 83W.

(7) That the following well is in violation of Rule 5 and Rule 310:

Anna V. Rouse et al #1, SW SE Sec. 31, T. 162N., R. 83W.

(8) That the following well is in violation of Rule 5 and Rule 314:

Carl O. Gilseth #1, SW NW Sec. 5, T. 161N., R. 83W.

(9) That the following wells are in violation of Rule 5, Rule 310 and Rule 314:

Mohall Park #1, NE SW Sec. 31, T. 162N., R. 83W.  
Carl Gilseth #1, SW SW Sec. 5, T. 161N., R. 83W.  
Sam Simpson et al #2, NE NE Sec. 6, T. 161N., R. 83W.  
George Shurson et al #1, SW SE Sec. 6, T. 161N., R. 83W.  
George Witteman #1-A, NE NE Sec. 7, T. 161N., R. 83W.

(10) That Earl Schwartz has been notified several times, both orally and in writing, by the office of the State Geologist and its personnel, that such violations did exist.

(11) That despite such notices Earl Schwartz continued to produce said wells.

(12) That based upon such facts the Commission finds Earl Schwartz to be in violation of Rule 5, Rule 310, and Rule 314 of the Commission in the operation of the above-named wells.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

(1) That Earl Schwartz, dba Cofor Oil, Inc., and Earl Schwartz Company, be and is hereby directed, to immediately shut-in and cease production from the following wells for failure to comply with the provisions of Commission Rules 5, 310, and 314, to wit:



Ivan Gehringer Tr-1 #1, SW NE Sec. 31, T. 162N., R. 83W.  
Ivan Gehringer Tr-2 #1, SW NW Sec. 31, T. 162N., R. 83W.  
Mohall Park #1, NE SW Sec. 31, T. 162N., R. 83W.  
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(2) That this order is to remain in effect unless and until said wells meet the requirements of Commission Rule 314 and Rule 310 and corrective measures taken to prevent violations of Rule 5.

(3) That when all wells listed above are in compliance with the rules, Earl Schwartz may make application to the Commission for an order permitting him to resume production from said wells.

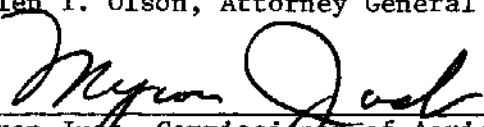
(4) That failure to comply with the provisions of this Order will be considered sufficient grounds for the Commission to institute proceedings in district court, as provided in Section 38-08-16 and 38-08-17 of the North Dakota Century Code, including, but not limited to, the penalty of not more than one thousand (1000) dollars for each day of violation and such prohibitory or mandatory injunction as the facts may warrant.

DONE, at Bismarck, North Dakota, this 31<sup>st</sup> day of May, 1974.

THE NORTH DAKOTA INDUSTRIAL COMMISSION

  
Arthur A. Link, Governor

  
Allen I. Olson, Attorney General

  
Myron Just, Commissioner of Agriculture

# North Dakota State

ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH  
AND  
ENGINEERING SERVICES  
W. Van Heuvelen, Chief



James R. Amos, M.D.  
State Health Officer

DIVISION  
OF  
WATER SUPPLY AND POLLUTION CONTROL  
Norman L. Peterson, P.E., Director  
(701) 224-2386

## Department of Health

State Capitol  
BISMARCK 58501

May 24, 1974

CASE No. 1191

Mr. Earl Schwartz  
Kenmare, North Dakota 58746

Dear Mr. Schwartz:

An inspection of your oil leases in the Mohall Field was made on April 26, 1974 by this Department and the North Dakota Geological Survey. At the time of this inspection numerous wells in the Mohall Field had spills which flowed onto adjacent cultivated fields and also onto surface water in the area. This is in violation of Regulation 61-28 and the 1972 Amendments to the Federal Water Pollution Control Act, Public Law 92-500. Failure to report these spills is also in violation of the Federal Law.

These spills shall be cleaned up and all spills in the future shall be reported to this office by calling 224-2375 or legal action may be taken.

If you have any questions concerning this matter please feel free to contact this Department.

Sincerely,

Francis J. Schwindt, San. Engr.  
Division of Water Supply and  
Pollution Control

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cc: ✓ N.D. Geological Survey  
First District Health Unit  
State's Attorney, Renville Co.



EARL SCHWARTZ, President

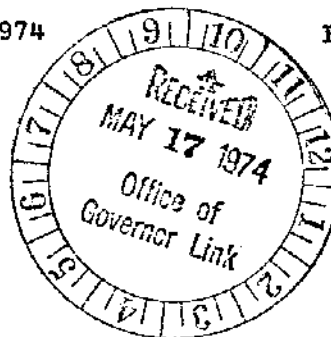
Phone 848-2212

Kenmare, N. Dak. 58746

P. O. Box 853 — Telephone 385-4244

May 14, 1974

Kenmare, N. Dak. 58746



N. Dak. Industrial Commission  
Bismarck, N. Dak.

Gentlemen:

In reply to your notice of May 2, 1974, and also in regard to the hearing to show cause for the Mohall Field. First, I have been working all I can to clean up but the weather has been against us all winter. We have had the most snow in the area from north of Minot all along the Canadian border. The snow around the well sites was from 5 to 10 ft. banks and about all water, which left all sites wet and you may say, all that was water. The weather has been so cold the oil will not burn and you can not get out there with wheel tractors.

In short, you people should know if you can not farm, you can not do much for clean up. We were over last fall and pushed all the pits in we could.

The way it sets now, if I had not tried, you would have some reason to complain.

Now for the work done to May 13th.

The No. 1 Gehringer is all cleaned up.

The No. 2 Gehringer, we have the oil burned, but in between the pipe line and tank & treator, there is a small area south of the tank that had a leak and this I may explain and the oil went under the snow for some time. It could have been for 3 or 4 days before it was noticed. When the snow melted it was a mess and this has not been cleaned yet as the roads are so soft, you cannot haul any loads and cannot get the cat across the river. It is also too wet to get a truck in with gravel to cover what we have left to do.

The Mohall Park well is all cleaned up. I pumped the pit out about six weeks or 2 months ago but could not get the oil on the pit warmed to skim off and when the snow melted, it raised the water again. Now, I have again pumped it off but cannot get a hot oil truck to heat it. Yesterday the 13th, we could get one and then had a snow storm. The wind was wrong, so again could not work. We had a very wet snow and now it is too wet again. I don't like to burn this oil as it should be salvaged. I don't know where the oil came from but think it came from the Monsanto Ring well. This is the second time this has happened. As soon as we can clean the oil off the pit and get the cat across the Mouse river we will fill the pits.



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The Carl Gilseth, I cleaned the location myself on the 26th. of April. The salt water line again plugged up and made a small spill. Not much oil, but it went out the gas line vent. I again cleaned it on May 8th and again dug out and it plugged on May 10th and sprayed the road by the treater. The line broke last winter and Production Service dug it out and repaired it and Amerada laid a cement line in here which is hard to repair and at that time, there must have been some small gravel or stones in the line. Each time, this is what plugged the line. Now we have it dug out waiting for a truck to pump it out again. I do not have this last mess cleaned up yet. The pit is still too wet to do anything with and will be for at least six weeks.

The Gilseth which is operated by GOFOR had a leak in the flow line and ran under the snow and the oil is between the high line pole and the treater and cannot be burned. This again should be heated and sucked off so we are in the same shape as I have spoke of in the Mohall Park pit. This is the only spill or dirt on the site. Now the pits are very wet. The water is fresh and I don not know where we could get any dirt to fill them. The well was dug in a slough in the first place. At that time, I moved the stake 125 ft. and Vern Lund said we could not do this so we called Laird and so had to move it back in the slough. Then all the dirt was used to build up around the well and tanks. This is a large low flat and the farmer would not let you take any dirt to fill these pits. I sure don't know the answer and anyway, there is no salt in them. I can't honestly call them salt water pits. Maybe Mr. Kalstead has taken samples of the water, but I have tasted the water and does not seem salty to me.

The Rhoda Racke #1 is still too wet in the field to clean and cannot do the balance.

The Rouse #1 is cleaned up. There is no pit on this lease. Perhaps, Mr. Kalstead thought this small water hole was a pit. This is wrong as we finished the pit last fall. I can however, when it dries up, drain this water out to the north and I perhaps should, as it would look a lot better and not show up as an old pit.

The Simpson #2 is connected with the salt water line to the Amerada Gilseth, so we have the same trouble as we had on the Gilseth.

The George Shurson has partially been cleaned up. The pit is salty and is still very large. We filled a large area last fall and I think we should get the rest in about six weeks if it ever quits raining and snowing in this area.

The Witteman well and oil tanks are clean but the disposal tank and pump is covered with oil. This is the same as the Park pit. It should be heated and sucked off, so we are still in a bind for the hot oil truck and the wind in the right direction. The old salt water pit is partly filled.



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We did all we could last fall and again hope this could be completed in a short time. Now this is about the complete story on the whole field. I will not come down to the hearing, as I always feel so bad when I come back home. It has never done any good for me to come down there. Perhaps, you folks do not agree with me, but this is right. I have been doing the best I can and you want to remember that every year, your equipment gets older and you have more trouble. However, I have another man coming from Nebraska next month and hope he will be better than the one I have. I have not been able to find anyone before and Mr. Michels from Production Service was over and worked and also could not pump them. It seems that people do not want to work any more, but they sure like the gasoline for their cars.

Well, I am signing off and you do as you wish. Please drop me a line as to your decision. I hope you understand how I feel.

Yours truly,

Earl Schwartz



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May 6, 1974

Kenmare, N. Dak. 58746

North Dakota Geological Survey  
University Station  
Grand Forks, ND 58201

ATTENTION: Edwin A. Noble

Dear Mr. Noble:

I am enclosing two more copies of logs for the Gudvangen salt water well showing the perforated section. We had not received them yet and I forgot about it later.

I received your letter today in regard to clean up. We are still unable to work around most of the wells due to the wet weather. We have done a lot of work in the Grano Field and I have enclosed tickets for some of the wells that have been worked on. With the amount of snow we had this winter and the water to contend with, I hauled all the water out of the Mohall Park pit and when the snow melted, it was half full again. This is fresh water that came, also on the Shurson, salt water pit. All of these sites are too wet to work on as you people should know. If you think Minot had water, where do you think it came from? The farmers are not in the field yet to prove how wet it is and may not be for at least another week. When you spend \$2,000.00 to \$3,000.00 a month for snow plowing, you can realize how high the snow was around the wells. You will note we have had crews working from the 9th of April and are still at it. I have been doing the best we can in all fields and have problems last year in Burke County, and all the work was done. I ended up with a broken leg over this which was all unnecessary. All any one can do is the best. If you can do better, please tell me how so I can improve. All roads are too soft to do any hauling of any kind and will be for at least three more weeks. Also, there has been no salt water run in any pits in any of the fields where pits have not been permitted.

Yours truly

Earl Schwartz

STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA

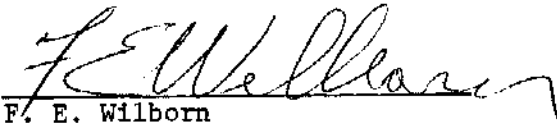
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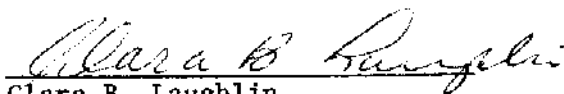
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I, F. E. Wilborn, being first duly sworn upon oath, despose and say:

That on the 2nd day of May, 1974, I mailed, certified return receipt requested, a notice for hearing of Case No. 1191, attached hereto is a true and correct copy of same, to Mr. Earl Schwartz, Kenmare, North Dakota. Said notice was mailed at the United States Post Office, University Station, Grand Forks, North Dakota, with postage thereon fully paid.

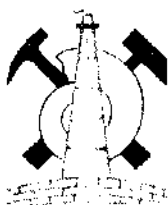
  
F. E. Wilborn

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 2nd day of May, 1974.

  
Clara B. Laughlin

Notary Public, County of Grand Forks, State of North Dakota.

My Commission expires July 1, 1977.



Edwin A. Noble  
State Geologist

# NORTH DAKOTA GEOLOGICAL SURVEY

UNIVERSITY STATION • GRAND FORKS, N. DAK. 58201 • AREA CODE 701-777-2231

May 2, 1974

Mr. Earl Schwartz  
P. O. Box 853  
Kenmare, North Dakota 58746

Dear Mr. Schwartz:

You are hereby notified that the Industrial Commission of North Dakota has scheduled for hearing Case No. 1191 directing you to show cause on May 16, 1974, at 9:30 a.m., or as soon thereafter as the matter can be heard, at the Hearing Room, State Capitol Building, Bismarck, North Dakota, why the following wells should not be shut in for failure to comply with Commission Rules listed by each well, to wit:

Ivan Gehringer Tr-1 #1, SW NE Sec. 31, T. 162N., R. 83W.	Rule No. 5
Ivan Gehringer Tr-2 #1, SW NW Sec. 31, T. 162N., R. 83W.	Rule No. 5
Mohall Park #1, NE SW Sec. 31, T. 162N., R. 83W.	Rule Nos. 5, 310, 314
Carl O. Gilseth #1, SW NW Sec. 5, T. 161N., R. 83W.	Rule Nos. 5, 314
Carl Gilseth #1, SW SW Sec. 5, T. 161N., R. 83W.	Rule Nos. 5, 310, 314
Rhoda Racke #1, SW NE Sec. 6, T. 161N., R. 83W.	Rule No. 5
Anna V. Rouse et al #1, SW SE Sec. 31, T. 162N., R. 83W.	Rule Nos. 5, 310
Sam Simpson et al #2, NE NE Sec. 6, T. 161N., R. 83W.	Rule No. 5
George Shurson et al #1, SW SE Sec. 6, T. 161N., R. 83W.	Rule Nos. 5, 310
George Witteman #1-A, NE NE Sec. 7, T. 161N., R. 83W.	Rule Nos. 5, 310

Sincerely yours,

E. A. Noble  
State Geologist

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## INVOICE

## PRODUCTION SERVICE, INC.

Telephone  
Mohall 756-6361

OIL WELL PUMPING AND ROUSTABOUT SERVICE

Telephone  
Noonan 925-7204

Box 278  
MOHALL, NORTH DAKOTA 58761

TO

Earl Schwartz  
Kenmare, North Dakota

Re. Mohall Field

TERMS: NET	Purchase Order Number	Date	Invoice Number
		4-30-74	467

Furnish labor and transportation to do work as described on attached tickets.

4-9-74	Ticket No. 3547	\$ 39.00 <del>4#12#74</del>
4-12-74	Ticket No. 3552	\$125.75
4-16-74	Ticket No. 3563	\$147.50
4-17-74	Ticket No. 3567	\$ 64.80
4-18-74	Ticket No. 3569	\$139.95
4-19-74	Ticket No. 3574	\$ 99.10
4-22-74	Ticket No. 3606	\$ 39.75

Total \$655.85

# PRODUCTION SERVICE, INC.

Box 278

MOHALL, NORTH DAKOTA 58761

Nº 3547

COMPANY Earl Schwartz  
ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

DATE 4-9-74  
LOCATION Simpson #2  
WORK ORDER NO. Mohall Field

DESCRIPTION OF WORK	HOURS	RATE	TOTAL
Drain water and remove excelsior from fella section. Take insulation off to line. Put on weather shield under key section.			
PUSHER <u>Mickels</u>	2	5.60	11.20
HELPER <u>Kochberg</u>	2	4.75	9.50
HELPER <u>Brand</u>	2	4.75	9.50
HELPER			
EQUIPMENT <u>P-25</u>	2	4.40	8.80
EQUIPMENT			

37.00

CONTRACTOR \_\_\_\_\_  
BY Bert Mickels

FOR THE COMPANY \_\_\_\_\_  
BY \_\_\_\_\_

# PRODUCTION SERVICE, INC.

Box 278

MOHALL, NORTH DAKOTA 58761

Nº 3552

COMPANY Carl Solomety  
ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

DATE 4-12-74

LOCATION Simpson #2

WORK ORDER NO. Michell Field

DESCRIPTION OF WORK	HOURS	RATE	TOTAL
Take floor out of filter section of 4' vertical horizontal treaters and clean out bottom of shell. Patch hole and cover joints with plastic mender. Patch 13 holes of air lines back into filter section and put mender cover on. Reinsulation + cover back around shell.			
PUSHER <u>Michels</u>	7	5.60	39.20
HELPER <u>Solomety</u>	7	4.75	33.25
HELPER			
HELPER			
EQUIPMENT <u>Pickup #25</u>	7	4.40	30.80
EQUIPMENT <u>13' half force bin @ 15.00</u>			22.50
			<u>\$125.75</u>

CONTRACTOR \_\_\_\_\_

FOR THE COMPANY \_\_\_\_\_

BY Carl Solomety

BY \_\_\_\_\_



# PRODUCTION SERVICE, INC.

Box 278

MOHALL, NORTH DAKOTA 58761

Nº 3563

COMPANY Carl Schumitz DATE April 16, 1974  
 ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_ LOCATION Mohall Field  
 WORK ORDER NO. Track #1

DESCRIPTION OF WORK	HOURS	RATE	TOTAL
Scrape oil off 500 blt steel tanks walkway and clean wall and steel washing them down with solvent, at Track #1 T.B.			
PUSHER <u>Shing</u>	10	5.60	56.00
HELPER <u>Solometo</u>	10	4.75	47.50
HELPER			
HELPER			
EQUIPMENT <u>Bucket #27</u>	10	4.40	44.00
EQUIPMENT			

#147.50

CONTRACTOR \_\_\_\_\_ FOR THE COMPANY \_\_\_\_\_  
 BY Bert Michels BY \_\_\_\_\_

# PRODUCTION SERVICE, INC.

Box 278

MOHALL, NORTH DAKOTA 58761

Nº 3567

COMPANY Earl Schwartz  
ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

DATE 4-17-74

LOCATION Mohall Field

WORK ORDER NO. Machine #1

DESCRIPTION OF WORK	HOURS	RATE	TOTAL
<u>Washing down 500 bbl steel tanks</u>			
PUSHER <u>Slings</u>			
HELPER	<u>10</u>	<u>5.60</u>	<u>56.00</u>
HELPER			
HELPER			
EQUIPMENT <u>Pickups #27</u>			
EQUIPMENT	<u>2</u>	<u>4.40</u>	<u>8.80</u>

\$64.80

CONTRACTOR \_\_\_\_\_

BY Bert J. Michels

FOR THE COMPANY \_\_\_\_\_

BY \_\_\_\_\_

# PRODUCTION SERVICE, INC.

Box 278

MOHALL, NORTH DAKOTA 58761

Nº 3569

COMPANY Earl Schumty

DATE April 15, 1974

ADDRESS 1000 1st St

LOCATION Mohall Field

WORK ORDER NO. Round #1

DESCRIPTION OF WORK	HOURS	RATE	TOTAL
Set pumping unit back on ports face at Round #1			
Have welder weld unit back together & reinforce it			
Move unit & have to hoist up over well.			
Straighten polished rod & well head. Hang			
rod on unit and start well pumping			
Put guard around unit crank - <u>Belmont well location</u>			
PUSHER <u>Michale</u>	9	5.60	50.40
HELPER <u>Brason</u>	9	4.75	42.75
HELPER			
EQUIPMENT			
EQUIPMENT <u>1/2 inch truck #18</u>	2	8.00	16.00
EQUIPMENT <u>Beck #25 + tools</u>	7	4.40	30.80
			<u>\$139.95</u>

CONTRACTOR \_\_\_\_\_

FOR THE COMPANY \_\_\_\_\_

BY Earl Schumty

BY \_\_\_\_\_



# PRODUCTION SERVICE, INC.

Box 278

MOHALL, NORTH DAKOTA 58761

Nº 3574

COMPANY

*Earl Scherby*

DATE

*April 19, 1979*

ADDRESS

LOCATION

*Mohall Field*

WORK ORDER NO.

DESCRIPTION OF WORK	HOURS	RATE	TOTAL
<i>Clean up oil around S.W. Tumbat Road T.B.</i>			
<i>Shaig Rotor pump shaft and put new spider in gully.</i>			
<i>Get oil bit running at the time Rake + Hunter tractor</i>			
<i>Start pumping water off the floor. Start tracks.</i>			
<i>Check oil water dump on Simpson #2 tractor.</i>			
PUSHER <i>Michels</i>	6	5.60	33.60
HELPER <i>Gling</i>	6	4.75	28.50
HELPER			
HELPER			
EQUIPMENT <i>Tractor #25</i>	6	4.40	26.40
EQUIPMENT <i>Front loader + Blade</i>	2	5.30	10.60
			<i>99.10</i>

CONTRACTOR

*Earl Scherby*

FOR THE COMPANY

BY

BY

# PRODUCTION SERVICE, INC.

Box 278

MOHALL, NORTH DAKOTA 58761

No 3606

COMPANY Carl Schwartz

DATE 4-22-74

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

LOCATION Mohall Field

WORK ORDER NO. \_\_\_\_\_

DESCRIPTION OF WORK	HOURS	RATE	TOTAL
Haul back line from yard and dig out gas line and repair 3" pipe between Racker and Motters. Test line with 30 PSI water pressure, bit burner on Motters tractor and start pumping water off stock tank.			
PUSHER <u>Mackels</u>			
HELPER	3	5.60	16.80
HELPER			
HELPER			
EQUIPMENT <u>Pic bump #25</u>			
EQUIPMENT <u>Backhoe #2</u>	3	4.40	13.20
	1	9.75	9.75
			39.75

CONTRACTOR \_\_\_\_\_

FOR THE COMPANY \_\_\_\_\_

BY Carl Schwartz

BY \_\_\_\_\_



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4-23-74	Ticket No. 3612	\$ 43.50
4-24-74	Ticket No. 3614	\$157.00
4-25-74	Ticket No. 3615	\$216.90
4-26-74	Ticket No. 3617	\$ 73.75
4-27-74	Ticket No. 3623	\$170.00
4-27-74	Ticket No. 3624	\$ 80.00

Total \$1318.55

# PRODUCTION SERVICE, INC.

Box 278

MOHALL, NORTH DAKOTA 58761

*M C Davis*  
Nº 3573

COMPANY Carl Schwartz

DATE 4-19-74

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

LOCATION M C Davis house

WORK ORDER NO. Grand Field

DESCRIPTION OF WORK	HOURS	RATE	TOTAL
Bull fistula and lay out of Connors			
tractor. Clamp inside of skull ready			
to be repaired. Haul fistula to Starns holding tank.			
PUSHER			
HELPER <u>Rosberg</u>	7	5.60	39.20
HELPER <u>Braun</u>	6	4.75	28.50
HELPER <u>Salome to</u>	6	4.75	28.50
EQUIPMENT			
EQUIPMENT <u>Pickup # 25</u>	7	4.40	30.80

\$127.00

CONTRACTOR \_\_\_\_\_

FOR THE COMPANY \_\_\_\_\_

BY Bob J. Michels

BY \_\_\_\_\_

# PRODUCT ON SERVICE, INC.

Box 278

MOHALL, NORTH DAKOTA 58761

No 3603

*M. C. Davis*  
16-19

COMPANY

*Carl Schwartz*

DATE

*4-20-74*

ADDRESS

LOCATION

*Grano Field*

WORK ORDER NO.

DESCRIPTION OF WORK	HOURS	RATE	TOTAL
<i>Drain treater and pull fire tube on Larison #1</i>	<i>16-19</i>		
<i>Haul fire tube to Stoen welding for repairs.</i>			
<i>Pull fire tube out of Larison treater on Larison #1</i>			
<i>Clean out key section and bottom of shell.</i>			
PUSHER <i>Rogberg</i>	<i>8</i>	<i>5.60</i>	<i>44.80</i>
HELPER <i>Shing</i>	<i>8</i>	<i>4.75</i>	<i>38.00</i>
HELPER <i>Braun</i>	<i>4</i>	<i>4.75</i>	<i>19.00</i>
HELPER			
EQUIPMENT <i>Pickup #26</i>	<i>8</i>	<i>4.40</i>	<i>35.20</i>
EQUIPMENT <i>Wrench truck #18</i>	<i>4</i>	<i>8.00</i>	<i>32.00</i>
			<i>\$169.00</i>

CONTRACTOR

*Bert Michaels*

FOR THE COMPANY

BY

BY



# PRODUCTION SERVICE, INC.

Box 278

MOHALL, NORTH DAKOTA 58761

Nº 3604

*M C Davis*

COMPANY

*Earl Schantz*

DATE

*4-20-74*

ADDRESS

LOCATION

*Grano Field*

WORK ORDER NO.

## DESCRIPTION OF WORK

HOURS

RATE

TOTAL

*Patch holes in skirt of Connorstrator  
Pulverization over back on wash down  
outside of tank. Clean up oil spilled  
around tanks and put it in pit.  
Wash down well bidders and spread  
gravel.*

PUSHER

HELPER

HELPER

HELPER

EQUIPMENT

EQUIPMENT

*Mickels*

*Salomito*

*Pickup #25*

*Truck #4 & dump*

*8*

*8*

*8*

*3*

*5.60*

*4.75*

*4.40*

*5.30*

*44.80*

*38.00*

*35.20*

*15.90*

*\$133.90*

CONTRACTOR

FOR THE COMPANY

BY

*Earl Schantz*

BY

*W*

# PRODUCTION SERVICE, INC.

Box 278

MOHALL, NORTH DAKOTA 58761

Nº 3607 10-30

COMPANY Carl Schantz

DATE 4-22-74

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

LOCATION Gran Field

WORK ORDER NO. \_\_\_\_\_

DESCRIPTION OF WORK	HOURS	RATE	TOTAL
Pull fire tube, excelsior and water float out of horizontal BS+B tractor on Dawson	30	10	
Clear out bottom of shell and found it needed repair			
Replace broken 3rd & 5th gears, stick tank on H. Dawson			
Replace external nipple in the downside tank			
PUSHER <u>Yling</u>	10	5.60	56.00
HELPER <u>Salomato</u>	10	4.75	47.50
HELPER			
EQUIPMENT <u>P 27</u>	10	4.40	44.00
EQUIPMENT			

CONTRACTOR \_\_\_\_\_

FOR THE COMPANY \_\_\_\_\_

BY But J. Michels

BY \_\_\_\_\_

147.50

# PRODUCT ON SERVICE, INC.

Box 278

Nº 3612

MOHALL, NORTH DAKOTA 58761

*Mc Davis*

COMPANY

*Earl Schwartz*

DATE

*4-23-74*

ADDRESS

LOCATION

*Grano Field*

WORK ORDER NO.

DESCRIPTION OF WORK	HOURS	RATE	TOTAL
<i>Clean up oil around slab tanks and spread gravel on Mc Davis</i>			
PUSHER	3	<del>4.75</del>	14.25
HELPER <i>Solomon to</i>	3	4.75	14.25
HELPER <i>Blair</i>			
HELPER			
EQUIPMENT <i>Leaky #20</i>	1	4.40	4.40
EQUIPMENT <i>Tractor #4</i>	2	5.30	10.60
			<u>243.50</u>

CONTRACTOR

*Earl Schwartz*

FOR THE COMPANY

BY



# PRODUCTION SERVICE, INC.

Box 278

MOHALL, NORTH DAKOTA 58761

No 3614

COMPANY

*Carl Schwartz*

DATE

*4-24-74*

ADDRESS

LOCATION

*Grass Field*

*10-30*

WORK ORDER NO.

DESCRIPTION OF WORK	HOURS	RATE	TOTAL
<i>Sand off inside bottom of BS+B treat. skid and cones with plastic mounds.</i>			<i>30-10</i>
<i>Back 3 hrs of excavation in filter section and leave nothing to cure. Put filter in concrete track on GA Davison and</i>			
<i>Back 1 hr of excavation in filter section.</i>			
PUSHER <i>Michels</i>	<i>4</i>	<i>5.60</i>	<i>22.40</i>
HELPER <i>Braun</i>	<i>4</i>	<i>4.75</i>	<i>19.00</i>
HELPER <i>Glinz</i>	<i>4</i>	<i>4.75</i>	<i>19.00</i>
HELPER <i>So. Burt</i>	<i>4</i>	<i>4.75</i>	<i>19.00</i>
EQUIPMENT <i>Backhoe #25</i>	<i>4</i>	<i>4.40</i>	<i>17.60</i>
EQUIPMENT <i>4 hr Roof Tractors</i>	<i>4</i>	<i>15.00 each</i>	<i>60.00</i>
			<i>\$157.00</i>

CONTRACTOR

*Bert J. Michels*

FOR THE COMPANY

BY

BY

# PRODUCT ON SERVICE, INC.

Box 278

MOHALL, NORTH DAKOTA 58761

No 3615

10-30

COMPANY Carl Schwartz

DATE April 25, 1974

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

LOCATION Man Field

WORK ORDER NO. \_\_\_\_\_

DESCRIPTION OF WORK	HOURS	RATE	TOTAL
Part S.W. float in tractor cleanup around T.B. + Well 30-10 + blade clean road.			
Pack 3 bales of Excelsior in Corners treatment MC Harrison			
Part belt guard on Well #2 + empty barrel of excelsior pit.			
Part S.W. float in tractor. wait for fire tube.	8	5.60	44.80
PUSHER <u>Slings</u>	8	4.75	38.00
HELPER <u>Salomito</u>	8	4.75	38.00
HELPER <u>Brown</u>	20	15.00	45.00
HELPER <u>3 bales of Excelsior</u>	8	4.40	35.20
EQUIPMENT <u>Pickup #27</u>	3	5.30	15.90
EQUIPMENT <u>Ford #4 + Blade</u>			
			<u>216.90</u>

CONTRACTOR \_\_\_\_\_

FOR THE COMPANY \_\_\_\_\_

BY Carl Schwartz

BY \_\_\_\_\_



# PRODUCTION SERVICE, INC.

Box 278

MOHALL, NORTH DAKOTA 58761

Nº 3617

*MC Davis*

COMPANY

*Carl Schwartz*

DATE

*4-26-74*

ADDRESS

LOCATION

*Grano Field*

WORK ORDER NO.

DESCRIPTION OF WORK	HOURS	RATE	TOTAL
<i>MC Davison Lease - Hand repaired fire tank from</i>			
<i>Shocks, change and install in track with new gas bit,</i>			
<i>Start filling track and change in flow line to get gas</i>			
<i>away from track house. Start Well #1 and</i>			
<i>recycle pumps.</i>			
PUSHER <i>Michels</i>	<i>5</i>	<i>5.60</i>	<i>28.00</i>
HELPER <i>Blair</i>	<i>5</i>	<i>4.75</i>	<i>23.75</i>
HELPER			
HELPER			
EQUIPMENT <i>Pickup #25</i>	<i>5</i>	<i>4.40</i>	<i>22.00</i>
EQUIPMENT			

*\$73.75*

CONTRACTOR

*But J Michels*

FOR THE COMPANY

BY

*10*

**PRODUCTION SERVICE, INC.**

**Box 278**

N<sup>o</sup> 3623

MOHALL, NORTH DAKOTA 58761

COMPANY

DATE \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS

### LOCATION

WORK ORDER NO.

DESCRIPTION OF WORK	HOURS	RATE	TOTAL
Hand repaired 4' BS + B fire tube from Stevens Welding Shop and installed in heater on Pavilion #16-19. in the rough shop. Started to fill heater & found flue water gasketed & leaking. Shut down.			
Put float in heater on JJA Pavilion and started well pumping.			
Put 20 in. Hallapit pump gasket on manway cover on E. Pavilion.			
PUSHER	8	5.60	44.80
HELPER	8	4.75	38.00
HELPER	8	4.75	38.00
HELPER	8	4.75	38.00
EQUIPMENT			
EQUIPMENT	8	4.40	35.20

170.00

CONTRACTOR

FOR THE COMPANY

BY

BY

# PRODUCTION SERVICE, INC.

Box 278

MOHALL, NORTH DAKOTA 58761

No

3624

*M C Davis*

COMPANY

*Carl Schwartz*

DATE

*4-27-74*

ADDRESS

LOCATION

*Liano Field*

WORK ORDER NO.

DESCRIPTION OF WORK

HOURS

RATE

TOTAL

*M C Davis Lease Replace old oil apparatus  
from propane tank to gas scrubber to low fluid head  
control, pilot light and for filling 5 w. float,  
fill 2 w. float & adjust dump valve on treat,  
adjust pop valve on Davis 30-10 and get to  
thru on 80 Davis*

PUSHER

*Michels*

8

*5.60*

*44.80*

HELPER

HELPER

HELPER

EQUIPMENT

*Pickup #35*

8

*4.40*

*35.20*

EQUIPMENT

*\$80.00*

CONTRACTOR

FOR THE COMPANY

BY

*Carl Schwartz*

BY

*N*





Edwin A. Noble  
State Geologist

# NORTH DAKOTA GEOLOGICAL SURVEY

UNIVERSITY STATION • GRAND FORKS, N. DAK. 58201 • AREA CODE 701-777-2231

Box 947

Williston, North Dakota 58801

April 29, 1974



Edwin A. Noble  
State Geologist  
University Station  
Grand Forks, North Dakota 58201

Dear Mr. Noble:

The following leases operated by Earl Schwartz Coa Cofer Oil, Inc., and Earl Schwartz Company were inspected by Mr. Ken Hollister and myself on April 26, 1974 and were found to be in violation of the General Rules and Regulations as noted:

Earl Schwartz Company

Ivan Gehringer T-1 #1	Permit No. 3860	Rule 5
Ivan Gehringer T-2 #1	Permit No. 3861	Rule 5
Mohall Park #1	Permit No. 3840	Rules 5, 310, 314
Carl O. Gilseth #1	Permit No. 3902	Rules 5, 314
Aroda Rucke #1	Permit No. 3726	Rule 5
Anna V. House et al #1	Permit No. 3874	Rules 5, 310
Sam Simpson et al #2	Permit No. 3875	Rule 5

Cofer Oil, Inc.

Carl Gilseth #1	Permit No. 4026	Rules 5, 310, 314
George Thurson et al #1	Permit No. 4008	Rules 5, 310
George Wittman #1-A	Permit No. 4102	Rules 5, 310

These leases are located in Mohall field and are the subject of Case No. 1191 to be heard before the North Dakota Industrial Commission on May 1, 1974.

Sincerely,

*Erving A. Brostuen*

Erving A. Brostuen



# NORTH DAKOTA GEOLOGICAL SURVEY

UNIVERSITY STATION • GRAND FORKS, N. DAK. 58201 • AREA CODE 701-777-2231

October 29, 1973

Earl Schwartz Co.  
Kenmare, North Dakota 58746

Dear Mr. Schwartz:

The following leases will need the saltwater pits emptied and leveled this fall:

	<u>Mohall Field</u>	
Mohall Park #1	Permit #3840	NESW Sec. 31, Twp. 162, R. 83
Gail Hutton #1	Permit #3768	NESW Sec. 6, Twp. 161, R. 83
Rhoda Racke #1	Permit #3726	SWNE Sec. 6, Twp. 161, R. 83
Sam Simpson Et Al #1	Permit #3769	NESE Sec. 6, Twp. 161, R. 83
Carl Gilseth #1	Permit #4026	SWSW Sec. 5, Twp. 161, R. 83
George Shurson Et Al #1	Permit #4008	SWSE Sec. 6, Twp. 161, R. 83
George Witteman #1A	Permit #4192	NENE Sec. 7, Twp. 161, R. 83
Carl Gilseth #1	Permit #3902	SWNW Sec. 5, Twp. 161, R. 83
	<u>Pratt Field</u>	
Herdt Estate #1	Permit #3263	NESE Sec. 6, Twp. 158, R. 80
Kitzman-BND #2	Permit #3408	SWNW Sec. 5, Twp. 158, R. 80
Norsby #1	Permit #3327	SWSW Sec. 5, Twp. 158, R. 80
	<u>Glenburn Field</u>	
Reiquam #1	Permit #2465	NENE Sec. 12, Twp. 158, R. 82
	<u>North Grano</u>	
M. C. Davison #1	Permit #4098	NWNE Sec. 30, Twp. 160, R. 84
	<u>Wiley Field</u>	
Tufte B #1	Permit #3298	NENE Sec. 27, Twp. 161, R. 82
Newhouse #1	Permit #3299	NESE Sec. 22, Twp. 161, R. 82
	<u>South Antler Creek Field</u>	
J.C.L.I. #1B	Permit #3962	SWNE Sec. 31, Twp. 164, R. 83
Braun #1A	Permit #3597	SWNW Sec. 32, Twp. 164, R. 83

Some of the above leases have had some of the saltwater pits partially shoveled in, others have had nothing done.



Mr. Earl Schwartz  
October 29, 1973  
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In the case of the Wiley Field, the farmer wants the area restored so farming practices can be resumed.

The saltwater pit at the Mohall Park #1 is completely oil covered. There is some suspicion that the saltwater and crude oil is getting into the west Cutbank Creek. If this is so, then the Health Department and the Game and Fish Department will need to be notified.

I received a call from Jim Bell September 27, 1973, about a spill at the Reiquam #1, Glenburn Field. I advised him at the time to send a report to the Health Department and the North Dakota Geological Survey and to start cleaning it up immediately.

As of today, there has been no clean-up. This matter has been brought to the attention of the Health Department.

If the work is not accomplished within two weeks on the Mohall Park #1 and the Reiquam #1, this office will request an order from the North Dakota Industrial Commission to shut in the wells.

Sincerely yours,

*Kenneth Kallestad*

Ken Kallestad  
Field Inspector

KK:ew

May 2, 1973

Mr. Earl Schwartz  
P. O. Box 853  
Kenmare, North Dakota 58746

Dear Mr. Schwartz:

I have compiled a list of leases that will require some attention by the fall. I realize if the leases are too muddy this work cannot be accomplished and will have to be delayed until a more favorable time.

MOHALL FIELD

Mohall Park #1-NE SW 31-162N-83W. Pits located on the edge of West Cut Bakk Creek. Any spills could end up in the Souris River. This pit should be leveled.

Carl Gilseth #1-SW SW 5-161N-83W. There has been more than necessary land damage from salt water escaping from this pit. This pit should be leveled.

George Shurson et al #1-SW SW 6-161N-83W. Pits need further leveling. About 20% leveling was accomplished in the fall of 1971.

George Witteman #1A-NE NE 7-161N-83W. About 50% of the pit has been pushed in, but will need to be finished.

NORTH GRANO FIELD

M. C. Davison #1-NW NE 30-160N-84W. Pit about 25% pushed in in fall of 1971. Needs to be leveled.

PRATT FIELD

Herd Estate #1-NE SE 8-158N-80W. This pit has been 60% leveled. The rest still should be accomplished by this fall.

Kitzman-BND #2-SW NW 5-158N-80W. This pit 65% leveled in the fall of 1971. The remainder should be leveled by the fall of 1973.

Norsby #1-SW SW 5-158N-80W. This pit 50% leveled in the fall of 1971. The remainder should be leveled by this fall.



March 8, 1974

Mr. Earl Schwartz  
P. O. Box 853  
Kenmare, North Dakota 58746

Dear Mr. Schwartz:

Preliminary reports reaching this office indicate an intolerable situation in the Mohall Field. I trust that the EPA (through the State Health Department) has been properly notified of every spill that has occurred recently in this field. You are also reminded that state regulations specify that all leases must be kept clean for safety reasons.

To avoid a shut-in order, I urge you to proceed immediately to clean up any spilled oil. I am sure you realize that a sudden thaw could make the situation much worse. Any spill would spread and access would become next to impossible.

Sincerely yours,

E. A. Noble  
State Geologist

cl  
cc Industrial Commission  
State Health Department  
NDGS--Bismarck  
NDGS--Williston



August 13, 1973

Mr. Earl Schwartz  
Earl Schwartz Company  
P. O. Box 853  
Kenmare, North Dakota 58746

Dear Mr. Schwartz:

Enclosed is a copy of a letter complaining about an oil spill that occurred on one of your leases in the Mhahall Field.

Immediate action should be taken to stop further damage to the surrounding land and the spill cleaned up as soon as possible.

Steps should be taken to prevent, as much as is possible, the recurrence of such spills.

Sincerely,

F. E. Wilborn  
Assistant Petroleum Engineer

so  
enclosure

**OFFICERS**  
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DELBERT HENDERSON, MUNICIPAL JUDGE

# City of Mohall

RENVILLE COUNTY, NORTH DAKOTA

MOHALL, NORTH DAKOTA 58761

August 8, 1973

**COUNCILMEN**

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WALLACE BERNTSON  
ORA FISHER  
MARLIN NORDMARK  
DUANE VIG

N. Dak. Geological Survey,  
University Station,  
Grand Forks, N. Dak.



Gentlemen:

On or about the latter part of May, 1973, an oil spill was noted around Mohall Park District well operated by Earl Schwartz Company of Kenmare, North Dakota. On June 2, 1973, the area experienced a heavy rain causing the pit to overflow. This caused the oil spill which seems to have come from the area of the recirculating pump near the treator to contaminate an area of approximately 25 feet in diameter around the treator and then flowed approximately 200 feet east to the well head. This condition was noted by an inspector of the State Geological Survey on or about June 20, 1973. On that date the pumper, Don Helmers, was notified and instructed to notify Earl Schwartz of these damages.

On July 19, 1973, the inspector from the Geological Survey, again, checked the area and no action to remedy these conditions had yet been taken.

This condition has caused and is continuing to result in damages to the trees and surrounding vegetation on the golf course. Apparently the pit that overflowed contained a high concentration of salt as well as oil causing further damage of almost a permanent nature to the vegetation. Further delay in proper maintenance will result in further damages.

Very truly yours,

*Roger O. Lunde*  
Roger O. Lunde, President  
Mohall Park District



*copy sent to Kennedy  
191-7712*

July 24, 1973

Mr. Earl Schwartz  
Earl Schwartz Company  
P.O. Box 853  
Kenmare, North Dakota 58746

Dear Mr. Schwartz:

This Department has received a letter from the North Dakota Geological Survey regarding the lack of cleanup of an oil spill in which the City of Mohall Park Board is involved. Apparently, this oil spill occurred sometime in May of 1973 and was still evident on July 19, 1973. This Department was notified of this spill by Mr. Kenneth Kallestad of the North Dakota Geological Survey.

For your information the following is quoted from Public Law 92500 which became effective October 18, 1972. The section reads as follows: " (5) Any person in charge of a vessel or of an on-shore facility or an off-shore facility shall, as soon as he has knowledge of any discharge of oil or a hazardous substance from such vessel or facility in violation of Paragraph (3) of this subsection, immediately notify the appropriate agency of the United States Government of such discharge. Any such person who fails to notify immediately such agency of such discharge shall, upon conviction, be fined not more than \$10,000 or imprisoned for not more than one year, or both. Notification received pursuant to this paragraph or information obtained by the exploitation of such notification shall not be used against any such person in any criminal case, except a prosecution for perjury or for giving a false statement."

Further, the Act provides that where a person fails to properly clean up after any such oil spill, the United States Government, through the Environmental Protection Agency or through action by the appropriate State Agency, may cause such cleanup to be completed by whatever force is necessary and such costs of cleanup shall be

Mr. Earl Schwartz

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July 24, 1973

charged back to the person or company. This Department recommends that a complete cleanup operation be conducted of this site immediately. Further, this Department advises that all future oil or hazardous material spills be reported to the North Dakota State Department of Health and the Environmental Protection Agency immediately. Hazardous waste material spills are matters of great concern. Enclosed is a copy of the North Dakota Pollution Control Contingency Plan which has been in effect since January 1, 1971. This Department should be advised as soon as possible as to what action will be taken to correct this matter.

Sincerely,

Raymond Rolshoven, Ass't Dir.  
Division of Water Supply and  
Pollution Control

Mr. Earl  
Schwartz

cc: ✓ North Dakota Geological Survey  
Office of the Attorney General  
Mahall Park Board  
First District Health Unit  
W.D. Petroleum Council - Rocky Mountain Oil & Gas Assn.



*Oil Spill  
file*

July 20, 1973

Mr. Earl Schwartz  
Earl Schwartz Company  
P. O. Box 853  
Kenmare, North Dakota 58746

Dear Mr. Schwartz:

On July 19, 1973 members of the Mohall Park Board contacted me in Mohall in regard to the oil spill at the City of Mohall Lease operated by you in the Mohall Field. I inspected this lease again and found clean-up operations poorly conducted. Straw had been spread around the treater area but had not been picked up and burned as yet. Two piles of sand had been delivered but never spread. Oil has run east and circled the dike area around the well head.

I first notice this spill June 20, 1973 and at that time informed your pumper. I also advised him to call you and to contact the Health Department. In talking to the members of the Park Board they informed me this spill was there the last week of May. Even though this well was shut-in, periodic checks should be made. Oil spills are to be cleaned up immediately. The heavy rains of early June have now carried crude oil out of the diked area.

Please see that this lease is cleaned up properly and immediately.

Sincerely,

Kenneth Kallestad  
Field Inspector

so

cc: State Health Dept.  
Office of Attorney General  
Mohall Park Board

Oil Spills

April 3, 1973

Mr. Earl Schwartz  
Earl Schwartz Company  
P. O. Box 853  
Kenmare, North Dakota 58746

Dear Mr. Schwartz:

The following leases in the Mohall Field were found to have objectionable oil spills as of March 29, 1973.

Rhoda Racke #1 - Oil spill running 80 feet north from the recirculating pump and an area at the east edge of the pit.

Gail Hutton #1 - There should be more thorough oil clean up from the ditch to the west of tanks.

Carl Gilseth #1 - Oil spill between the treater and pit.

Anna Rouse et al #1 - Oil spill in the field east of the tanks and treater.

None of these are large spills, but they should be cleaned up before rains carry the spilled fluid off the lease into the fields. All spills are to be contained and cleaned up immediately.

Sincerely,

Kenneth Kallestad  
Field Inspector

STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA -

COUNTY OF GRAND FORKS

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depose and say: That I am over twenty-one years of age; that on the  
\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 19\_\_\_\_, I enclosed in separate envelopes true  
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paid, directed to:  
all of whom filed written appearances at the hearing of the Industrial  
Commission on Case No. \_\_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature of person mailing  
Order and preparing Affidavit)

Subscribed and sworn to before  
me this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 19\_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Notary Public, Grand Forks County



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Judy Ann Allard

Subscribed and sworn to before me this seventh day of

May, A. D. 1974

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Harvey Hoff  
 Notary Public, Bottineau County, N. D.

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 N.D. INDUSTRIAL COMMISSION  
 BISMARCK, NORTH DAKOTA

The State of North Dakota by its Industrial Commission hereby gives notice pursuant to law and the rules and regulations of said Commission promulgated thereunder of the following public hearing to be held at 9:30 a.m. on 16 May 1974 in the Hearing Room, State Capitol Building, Bismarck, North Dakota.

STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA TO:

All named parties and persons having any right, title, interest or claim in the following cases and notices to the public. CASE No. 1191: On a motion of the Commission directing Earl Schwartz dba Gofor Oil, Inc., and Earl Schwartz Company, to show cause why his wells in the Mohall field, Bottineau County, North Dakota, should not be shut in for failure to comply with the General Rules and Regulations.

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 Date 5-10-74

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 HAROLD NELSON  
 State Printer