## IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF OKLAHOMA

UNIT CORPORATION, a Delaware	)	
corporation, and UNIT PETROLUEM	)	
COMPANY, an Oklahoma corporation	)	
	)	
Plaintiffs,	)	
	)	
VS.	)	Case No. 14-CV-00070-R
	)	
TMI MINISTRIES, a Washington	)	
Nonprofit Corporation, KIKIALLUS	)	
NATION, a/k/a KIKIALLUS INDIAN	)	
NATION, a Washington Nonprofit	)	
Corporation, KURT KANAM,	)	
individually and as agent of Kikiallus	)	
Indian Nation and as agent of TMI	)	
Ministries, ORBIE MULLINS,	)	
individually and as agent of Kikiallus	)	
Indian Nation.	)	
	)	
Defendants.	)	

## **TEMPORARY RESTRAINING ORDER**

Before the Court is Plaintiffs Unit Corporation and Unit Petroleum Company's (collectively, "Plaintiffs") Application for Temporary Restraining Order and Brief in Support (dkt. #5). Having reviewed the Verified Complaint with exhibits and the Application for Temporary Order and Brief in Support with exhibits, and having heard argument of Plaintiffs' counsel, the Court finds that in the absence of a temporary restraining order:

1. Defendants will, on or about January 24, 2014, interfere with Unit Petroleum Company's rights in and operation of a productive oil and gas lease that is

described herein. The subject lease is dated July 6, 2010, naming Deep Basin 2008 Drilling Program, L.P. as grantee and recorded at Book 1245, Page 64 of the real property records of Beaver County, Oklahoma (the "Deep Basin Lease"). Rights as operator of the Lease were granted to Unit Petroleum Company by an August, 2010 Order of the Oklahoma Corporation Commission ("Pooling Order"). Defendants have stated their intent to interfere with Unit's rights by professing to enter a declaratory judgment against Unit Corporation in the purported Kikiallus Tribal Court, transferring Unit Petroleum Company's operation of the Deep Basin Lease to Defendant TMI Ministries, and cancelling the subject Lease. There is a substantial likelihood that Defendants will then register the purported Kikiallus Tribal Court judgment in an Oklahoma federal or state court as an authentic foreign judgment and seek enforcement of the purported judgment through such a court of competent jurisdiction.

2. Plaintiffs will suffer irreparable injury if the Defendants are not enjoined from interfering with Plaintiffs legal right in and to the Deep Basin Lease. The existence of a purported declaratory judgment against Unit from the so-called Kikiallus Tribal Court, whether or not registered in another court, will raise uncertainty as to the ongoing validity of the Pooling Order and Unit Petroleum's rights thereunder and will compromise Unit Petroleum's relationship with the royalty owners, vendors, contractors, the OCC, and others who deal with Unit Petroleum as the legal operator of the well. Plaintiffs would suffer further irreparable injury when Defendants act to register and enforce the purported Kikiallus Tribal Court judgment against Unit, including a forced shut-down of Deep Basin Lease operations resulting in damage to Unit's relationships

with royalty owners, vendors, contractors, employees, etc. and loss of production value.

Such damage would not be fully calculable at law.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED that

Defendants, their agents, servants, employees, and all others acting in concert and in

participation with Defendants, are temporarily enjoined from retaining, exercising,

threatening, attempting, or purporting to retain or exercise jurisdiction of or by the

Kikiallus Nation or Kikiallus Indian Nation, or any purported "court" related to such

entities, over Unit Corporation or Unit Petroleum Company for any purpose;

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED that

Defendants, their agents, servants, employees, and all others acting in concert and in

participation with Defendants, are temporarily enjoined from interfering with Plaintiffs'

interest in, and operation rights concerning, the Deep Basin Lease.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED that this

Temporary Restraining Order shall expire on the 7<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2014, unless

extended for good cause or by consent of the Defendants.

SO ORDERED this 24<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2014, at 1:54 p.m.

DAVID L. RUSSELL

UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE