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[1] The applicant seeks an order quashing a preliminary ruling dated April 27, 2011 made by the Canada Industrial Relations Board: 2011 CIRB 583. The Board ruled that the labour relations of Exploration Production Inc. do not fall within federal jurisdiction and are not subject to the application of the *Canada Labour Code*.

- [2] In careful and thorough reasons, the Board set out the applicable legal test, made factual findings that were supported on the evidence before it, and applied the legal test to those findings. We have not been persuaded that the Board erred in any way.
- [3] In argument before us, the applicant submitted that the Board defined the undertaking improperly. The definition of the undertaking that the applicant now proposes was not raised before the Board or in the applicant's memorandum before us. In our view, the Board could not have erred by failing to consider an argument that was not put to it.
- [4] Therefore, the application for judicial review will be dismissed with costs.

"David Stratas"
J.A.

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