BEFORE THE OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF COLORADO

| IN THE MATTER OF THE AMENDED APPLICATION OF WHITING OIL AND GAS CORPORATION FOR AN ORDER ALLOWING ADDITIONAL WELLS IN EXISTING 960-ACRE AND 640-ACRE DRILLING AND SPACING UNITS APPLICABLE TO THE DRILLING AND PRODUCING OF WELLS FROM THE NIOBRARA FORMATION COVERING CERTAIN LANDS IN TOWNSHIP 10 NORTH, RANGE 57 WEST, AND TOWNSHIP 10 NORTH, RANGE 58 WEST, WELD COUNTY, COLORADO. |)))) Cause No. 535) Docket No))) |
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| AMENDED APPLI | CATION |
| Whiting Oil and Gas Corporation ("Application Meck & Tooley, P.C., respectfully submits this Conservation Commission of the State of Colorado ("Complete wells in each of the existing 960-acre and 640-acre AMENDED Application applicable to the drilling of wells in Formation covering certain lands in Weld County Application, Applicant states as follows: | ommission") for an order allowing additional drilling and spacing units described in this ells and producing of oil and gas from the |
| Applicant owns leasehold interest Application Lands"): | ests in the following lands ("AMENDED |
| E½ SW¼, SǼ) | s 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, S½ NE¼, SW¼ NW¼, ss 1, 2, E½ NW¼, NE¼) st, 6th P.M. st, 4, E½ SW¼, SE¼) |
| Township 10 North, Range 57 West Section 19: All (consisting of Lots Section 30: N½ (consisting of Lots) | 1, 2, 3, 4, E½ W½, E½) |
| Township 10 North, Range 57 West Section 8: S½ Section 17: All | st, 6th P.M. |
| <u>Township 10 North, Range 57 W</u> Section 16: All | est, 6th P.M. |
| Township 10 North, Range 57 Wes Section 20: All Section 29: N½ | st, 6th P.M. |
| Township 10 North, Range 57 West Section 29: S½ Section 32: All | st, 6th P.M. |
| Township 10 North, Range 58 Wes Section 1: All (consisting of Lots Section 12: N½ | |

Township 10 North, Range 58 West, 6th P.M.

Section 2: All (consisting of Lots 1, 2, 3, 4, S½ N½, S½)

Section 11: N½

Township 10 North, Range 58 West, 6th P.M.

Section 11: S½
Section 14: All

Township 10 North, Range 58 West, 6th P.M.

Section 20: All Section 29: N½

Township 10 North, Range 58 West, 6th P.M.

Section 21: All Section 28: N½

Township 10 North, Range 58 West, 6th P.M.

Section 22: All Section 27: N½

Township 10 North, Range 58 West, 6th P.M.

Section 23: All Section 26: N½

Township 10 North, Range 58 West, 6th P.M.

Section 24: All

Township 10 North, Range 58 West, 6th P.M.

Section 25: All

Township 10 North, Range 58 West, 6th P.M.

Section 26: S½
Section 35: All

Township 10 North, Range 58 West, 6th P.M.

Section 27: S½
Section 34: All

Township 10 North, Range 58 West, 6th P.M.

Section 28: S½
Section 33: All

Township 10 North, Range 58 West, 6th P.M.

Section 29: S½
Section 32: All

Township 10 North, Range 58 West, 6th P.M.

Section 30: S½ (consisting of Lots 3, 4, E½ SW¼, SE¼) Section 31: All (consisting of Lots 1, 2, 3, 4, E½ W½, E½)

A reference map of the Application Lands is attached hereto.

2. An application for an order in **DOCKET** 1303-SP-46 establishing an approximate 960 acre drilling and spacing unit and allowing up to four horizontal wells within each unit for production of oil, gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Niobrara formation, with the treated interval of the wellbore to be no closer than 600 feet from the unit boundaries, without exception, was filed on January 24, 2013, for the following portion of the Application Lands:

Township 10 North, Range 57 West, 6th P.M.

Section 9: S½
Section 16: All

ON MARCH 22, 2013 APPLICANT FILED AN AMENDED APPLICATION WITHDRAWING SECTION 9, TOWNSHIP 10 NORTH, RANGE 57 WEST, 6TH P.M. FROM DOCKET 1303-SP-46. ON MARCH 25, 2013 THE COMMISSION ISSUED ORDER NO. 535-298 WHICH ESTABLISHED ONE APPROXIMATE 640-ACRE DRILLING AND SPACING UNIT COVERING SECTION 16, TOWNSHIP 10 NORTH, RANGE 57 WEST, 6TH P.M., FOR THE PRODUCTION OF OIL, GAS AND ASSOCIATED HYDROCARBONS FROM THE NIOBRARA FORMATION, WITH THE TREATED INTERVAL OF THE WELLBORE TO BE LOCATED NO CLOSER THAN 600 FEET FROM THE UNIT BOUNDARIES, AND NO CLOSER THAN 150 FEET FROM THE TREATED INTERVAL OF ANY OTHER WELLBORE LOCATED IN THE UNIT, WITHOUT EXCEPTION BEING GRANTED BY THE DIRECTOR.

The following portion of the Application Lands are subject to Commission Orders 535-3 and 535-180 establishing approximate 640-acre drilling and spacing units and allowing up to four horizontal wells within each unit for production of oil, gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Niobrara formation, with the surface location of the permitted well to be located anywhere within the proposed unit and the treated interval of the wellbore to be no closer than 600 feet from the unit boundaries, without exception being granted by the Director.

Township 10 North, Range 58 West, 6th P.M. Section 24: All

Township 10 North, Range 58 West, 6th P.M. Section 25: All

The remaining portion of the Application Lands are subject to Commission Orders 535-60, 535-150, 535-178, 535-179 and 535-204 establishing approximate 960-acre drilling and spacing units and allowing up to four horizontal wells within each unit for production of oil, gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Niobrara formation, with the surface location of the permitted well to be located anywhere within the proposed unit and the treated interval of the wellbore to be no closer than 600 feet from the unit boundaries, without exception being granted by the Director.

- On January 24, 2013 an application was filed for an order in DOCKET 1303-AW-17 allowing up to eight horizontal wells within each unit for production of oil, gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Niobrara formation, and to allow the treated interval of the wellbore to be no closer than 200 feet from the treated interval of any other wellbore producing from the Niobrara formation, and no closer than 100 feet from a unit boundary unless such boundary abuts or corners lands for which the Commission has not at the time of the drilling permit application granted the right to locate the treated interval of the wellbore no closer than 100 feet from a unit boundary. If the Commission has not at the time of the drilling permit application granted to the owners of the adjacent or cornering lands the right to locate the treated interval of the wellbore no closer than 100 feet from a unit boundary, then the treated interval of the wellbore shall be located no closer than the distance permitted in the adjacent or cornering lands, without exception being granted by the Director. ON MARCH 25, 2013, THE COMMISSION ISSUED ORDER NO. 535-296 APPROVING UP TO EIGHT WELLS WITHIN EACH OF THE 21 APPROXIMATE 640 AND 960-ACRE SPACING UNITS COVERING THE AMENDED APPLICATION LANDS FOR THE PRODUCTION OF OIL. GAS AND ASSOCIATED HYDROCARBONS FROM THE NIOBRARA FORMATION WITH THE TREATED INTERVAL OF THE WELLBORE NO CLOSER THAN 200 FEET FROM THE TREATED INTERVAL OF ANY OTHER WELLBORE PRODUCING FROM THE NIOBRARA FORMATION, AND NO CLOSER THAN 100 FEET FROM A UNIT BOUNDARY UNLESS SUCH BOUNDARY ABUTS OR CORNERS LANDS FOR WHICH THE COMMISSION HAS NOT AT THE TIME OF THE DRILLING PERMIT APPLICATION GRANTED THE RIGHT TO LOCATE THE TREATED INTERVAL OF THE WELLBORE NO CLOSER THEN 100 FEET FROM A UNIT BOUNDARY, WITHOUT EXCEPTION BEING GRANTED BY THE DIRECTOR.
- 4. The Niobrara Formation in the area of the **AMENDED** Application Lands is defined as the stratigraphic equivalent of the interval between 5,777' (top of the Niobrara) and 6,101' (base of the Niobrara) as found in the Walker #3 Well located in Section 31, Township 10 North, Range 58 West, 6th P.M., Weld County, Colorado. The Niobrara Formation is a common source of supply under the Application Lands.

- Applicant has drilled, tested and completed wells in the Niobrara Formation on the Application Lands and on lands in close proximity to the Application Lands.
- Applicant has determined through drilling operations and other geological and engineering analyses that to promote efficient drainage within the Niobrara Formation of the AMENDED Application Lands, and to avoid waste, the Commission should allow up to sixteen wells per 960-acre spacing unit within the AMENDED Application Lands for production of oil, gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Niobrara formation.
- Applicant requests that a total of up to sixteen horizontal wells be authorized for production of oil, gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Niobrara formation in the AMENDED Application Lands with the surface location to be located at a legal location in the above described drilling and spacing units or on adjacent lands. Applicant further requests that the treated interval of each wellbore be no closer than 200 feet from the treated interval of any other wellbore producing from the Niobrara formation, and no closer than 100 feet from a unit boundary unless such boundary abuts or corners lands for which the Commission has not at the time of the drilling permit application granted the right to locate the treated interval of the wellbore no closer than 100 feet from a unit boundary. If the Commission has not at the time of the drilling permit application granted to the owners of the adjacent or cornering lands the right to locate the treated interval of the wellbore no closer than 100 feet from a unit boundary, then the treated interval of the wellbore shall be located no closer than the distance permitted in the adjacent or cornering lands, without exception being granted by the Director.
- The above-proposed drilling and spacing units will allow efficient drainage of the Niobrara Formation, will prevent waste, will not adversely affect correlative rights and will assure the greatest ultimate recovery of gas and associated hydrocarbon substances from the Niobrara Formation. The proposed drilling and spacing units are not smaller than the maximum area that can be economically and efficiently drained by the proposed wells in such drilling and spacing unit. Applicant further maintains that a well drilled in the above-proposed drilling and spacing units will have no adverse effect on correlative rights of adjacent owners.
- The names and addresses of the interested parties according to the information and belief of the Applicant are set forth in Exhibit A attached hereto and made a part hereof, and the undersigned certifies that copies of this Application shall be served on each interested party within seven days after filing of the original application as required by Rules 503.e, 507.b.1 and 507.b.5.

WHEREFORE, Applicant respectfully requests that this matter be set for hearing, that notice be given as required by law and that upon such hearing this Commission enter its order consistent with Applicant's proposals as set forth above.

Dated this 3rd day of APRIL, 2013.

Respectfully submitted,

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VERIFICATION

| STATE OF COLORADO |) |
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| |) ss. |
| CITY & COUNTY OF DENVER |) |

Scott McDaniel, Regional Landman with Whiting Oil and Gas Corporation, upon oath deposes and says that he has read the foregoing Amended Application and that the statements contained therein are true to the best of his knowledge, information and belief.

WHITING OIL AND GAS CORPORATION

Scott McDaniel, Regional Landman

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 2nd day of April, 2013 by Scott McDaniel, Regional Landman for Whiting Oil and Gas Corporation.

Witness my hand and official seal.

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My Commission Expres:_

EXHIBIT A

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| declare: | eing first duly sworn upon my oath, state and |
| That I am the attorney for Whiting Oil and O 2013, I caused a copy of the attached Applicati postage prepaid, addressed to the parties listed on | Gas Corporation and that on or before April 3 ^c , on to be deposited in the United States mail, Exhibit A to the Application. |

Subscribed and sworn to before me April 3², 2013.

postage prepaid, addressed to the parties listed on Exhibit A to the Application.

Witness my hand and official seal.

Mussa Notary Public

My commission expires: \nearrow