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

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF)	
BONANZA CREEK ENERGY OPERATING	Ì	
COMPANY LLC FOR AN ORDER AUTHORIZING THE	Ì	CAUSE NO. 407
DRILLING OF UP TO TEN HORIZONTAL WELLS TO)	
THE NIOBRARA FORMATION IN A 640-ACRE)	DOCKET NO. 1401-AW-
SPACING ACRE SPACING UNIT LOCATED IN	,	
SECTION 14,TOWNSHIP 5 NORTH, RANGE 61	,)	
WEST OF THE6 th P.M., WATTENBERG FIELD, WELD))	
COUNTY COLORADO	1	

VERIFIED APPLICATION

Bonanza Creek Energy Operating Company LLC ("Bonanza") by and through its attorneys, Lohf Shaiman Jacobs Hyman & Feiger PC, respectfully submits its Verified Application to the Oil and Gas Conservation Commission of the State of Colorado (the "Commission") for an order authorizing the drilling and completion of up to ten (10) horizontal wells in an existing drilling and spacing unit consisting of Section 14, Township 5 North, Range 61 West, for production of oil, gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Niobrara Formation in the Wallenberg Field, Weld County, Colorado. In support of its Verified Application Bonanza states as follows:

- 1. Bonanza is a Delaware limited liability company duly organized and authorized to conduct business in the State of Colorado.
- 2. Bonanza owns oil and gas leasehold interests in the following sections in Weld County, Colorado (the "Application Lands"):

Township 5 North, Range 61 West 6th P. M. Section 14

- 3. By Order 407-703, entered effective August 20, 2012, the Commission established the Application Lands as a 640-acre drilling and spacing unit for production of oil, gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Niobrara Formation. The Order authorized the drilling of one horizontal well in the unit, with the treated interval of the permitted wellbore to be no closer than 600 feet from the boundaries of the unit, and no closer than 1,200 feet from the treated interval of any other wellbore located in the unit, without order being granted by the Director.
- 4. According to the records of the Commission, no wells have yet been drilled to the Niobrara Formation in the Application Lands.
- 5. Section §34-60-116(4) of the Colorado Oil and Gas Conservation Act authorizes the Commission to permit additional wells to be drilled within established drilling and spacing units in order to prevent or assist in preventing waste.

- 6. Bonanza requests that the Commission authorize the drilling and completion of up to ten (10) horizontal wells in the unit, as necessary to economically and efficiently recover oil, gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Niobrara Formation, to prevent waste and protect correlative riahts.
- 7. Bonanza further requests that each such horizontal well be drilled no closer than 460 feet from the unit boundary, and consistent with Rule 318A(I).(m), the treated interval of each such horizontal well be no closer than 150 feet from the wellbore of any then-existing or permitted oil and gas well, unless waived in writing by the operator of the encroached-upon well.
- Bonanza further requests that horizontal wells under the requested order be located on no more than two surface pads per governmental half-section as designated by the operator, with wells on each pad to be drilled from surface locations within 50 feet of an adjacent drilled or permitted well, without exception being granted by the Director for good cause, which shall include surface owner consent.
- Entry of an order consistent with the above requests will allow efficient drainage of the Niobrara Formation in the Application Lands, will prevent waste, will not adversely affect correlative rights of any owner, and will assure the greatest ultimate recovery of oil, gas and associated hydrocarbon substances from the reservoir.
- 10. The proposed horizontal wells can be developed in a manner consistent with protection of the environment, public health, safety and welfare.
- 11. The undersigned certifies that copies of this Application shall be served on each interested party listed on Exhibit A as required by Rule 503.e.

WHEREFORE, Bonanza respectfully requests this matter be set for hearing, notice be given as required by law, and upon such hearing the Commission enter its order providing the relief requested by Bonanza above, together with such other relief consistent with the above requests as the Commission deems just and appropriate.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED this 2 day of November, 2013.

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EXHIBIT "A"

TO APPLICATION OF BONANZA CREEK ENERGY OPERATING COMPANY LLC Section 14, Township 5 North, Range 61 West, of the 6th P.M.

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The undersigned, of lawful age, having been first sworn upon his oath, deposes and states that:

SS.

- 1. She is Landman for the Applicant, Bonanza Creek Energy Operating Company LLC, and maintains her office at 410 17th Street, Suite 1400, Denver, Colorado 80202.
- 2. She has read the within Verified Application, is familiar with the facts set forth therein, and states that said facts are true and correct to the best of her knowledge and belief.

Further Affiant sayeth not.

CITY AND COUTY OF DENVER

Caroline Heuring

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 2014 day of November, 2013.

Witness my hand and official seal.

MATTHEW W. JONES NOTARY PUBLIC STATE OF COLORADO

My commission expires:

Man

Notary Public

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