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

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF)	
WHITING OIL AND GAS CORPORATION FOR)	
AN ORDER ALLOWING ADDITIONAL WELLS	ý	
IN AN EXISTING 960-ACRE DRILLING AND	ý	Cause No. 535
SPACING UNIT APPLICABLE TO THE)	
DRILLING AND PRODUCING OF WELLS FROM)	Docket No.
THE NIOBRARA AND CODELL FORMATIONS)	
COVERING CERTAIN LANDS IN TOWNSHIP 10)	Intake No.
NORTH, RANGE 58 WEST, 6TH P.M., WELD)	
COUNTY, COLORADO.)	
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APPLICATION

Whiting Oil and Gas Corporation ("Applicant"), by and through its attorneys, Welborn Sullivan Meck & Tooley, P.C., respectfully submits this Application to the Oil and Gas Conservation Commission of the State of Colorado ("Commission") for an order amending Order No. 535-314 only insofar as it applies to the Application Lands described below and approving additional wells and modified well setbacks in an existing 960-acre drilling and spacing unit described in this Application, applicable to the drilling of wells and producing of oil and gas from the Niobrara and Codell Formations covering certain lands in Weld County, Colorado. In support of its Application, Applicant states as follows:

1. Applicant owns leasehold interests in the following lands ("Application Lands"):

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

Section 27: S½
Section 34: All

A reference map of the Application Lands is attached hereto.

- 2. Rule 318.a. provides that a well drilled in excess of 2,500 feet in depth shall be located not less than 600 feet from any lease line, and shall be located not less than 1,200 feet from any other producible or drilling oil or gas well when drilling to the same source of supply, unless authorized by order of the Commission upon hearing. There are no other specific Commission Orders applicable to the Codell Formation underlying the Application Lands.
- 3. By Order No. 535-3 dated February 22, 2011, the Commission approved an application establishing 160 approximate 640-acre drilling and spacing units and allowing one horizontal well within each unit for the production of oil, gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Niobrara Formation. The order further allows for the surface location to be located anywhere in the designated drilling and spacing unit with the initial perforation and the bottomhole location being no

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closer than 600 feet from the boundaries of the drilling and spacing unit without exception being granted by the Director. The Application Lands are subject to this Order.

- 4. By Order No. 535-178 dated July 9, 2012, the Commission approved an application establishing eight approximate 960-acre drilling and spacing units and authorized up to four horizontal wells within each unit, for the production of oil, gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Niobrara Formation, with the treated interval of the wellbores located no closer than 600 feet from the unit boundaries and no closer than 1200 feet from the treated interval of any other wellbore located in the unit. The Application Lands are subject to this Order.
- 5. By Order No. 535-296 dated March 25, 2013, the Commission approved an application allowing up to eight horizontal wells in 21 approximate 640 to 960-acre drilling and spacing units, including the Application Lands, for the production of oil, gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Niobrara Formation. The Commission further approved the treated interval of the wellbore to be no closer than 100 feet from the unit boundary and no closer than 200 feet from the treated interval of any other wellbore producing from the Niobrara Formation. The Application Lands are subject to this Order.
- 6. By Order No. 535-314 dated May 6, 2013, the Commission approved an application allowing up to sixteen horizontal wells in 21 approximate 640 to 960-acre drilling and spacing units, for the production of oil, gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Niobrara Formation. The Commission further approved the treated interval of the wellbore to be no closer than 100 feet from the unit boundary and no closer than 200 feet from the treated interval of any other wellbore producing from the Niobrara Formation. The Application Lands are subject to this Order.
- 7. The Niobrara Formation in the area of the Application Lands is defined as the stratigraphic equivalent of the interval between 5,777 feet (top of the Niobrara) and 6,101 feet (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.
- 8. The Codell Formation in the area of the Application Lands is defined as the stratigraphic equivalent of the interval between 6,101 feet (top of Codell) and 6,115 feet (base of Codell) as found in the Walker #3 Well located in Section 31, Township 10 North, Range 58 West, 6th P.M., Weld County, Colorado. The Codell Formation is a common source of supply under the Application Lands.
- 9. Applicant has drilled, tested and completed wells in the Niobrara and Codell Formations on the Application Lands and on lands in close proximity to the Application Lands.
- 10. To promote efficient drainage of the Niobrara and Codell Formations within the Application Lands and to avoid waste, the Commission should amend Order No. 535-314 only as it applies to the Application Lands to allow an appropriate number of wells, not to exceed 32 wells, in the 960-acre drilling and spacing unit covering the Application Lands in order to efficiently and economically recover oil, gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Niobrara and Codell Formations.

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- 11. Applicant requests the surface location for each proposed horizontal well be located at a legal location in the above-described drilling and spacing units or on adjacent lands. Applicant further requests that the 200 foot distance between treated intervals of each wellbore established in Order No. 535-314 be amended and that the new setback be no closer than 100 feet from the treated interval of any other wellbore producing from the Niobrara and/or Codell Formations, 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 owners of 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.
- 12. Applicant requests authority to drill only those wells necessary to determine the well density which allows the most efficient drainage of the Niobrara and Codell Formations, prevents waste, does not adversely affect correlative rights, and assures the greatest ultimate recovery of oil, gas and associated hydrocarbon substances from the Niobrara and Codell Formations. 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.
- 13. 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 41th day of May, 2014.

Respectfully submitted,

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VERIFICATION

STATE OF COLORADO)
) 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 24th day of May, 2014 by Scott McDaniel, Regional Landman for Whiting Oil and Gas Corporation.

Witness my hand and official seal.

Notary Public

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My Commission Expires:

EXHIBIT A

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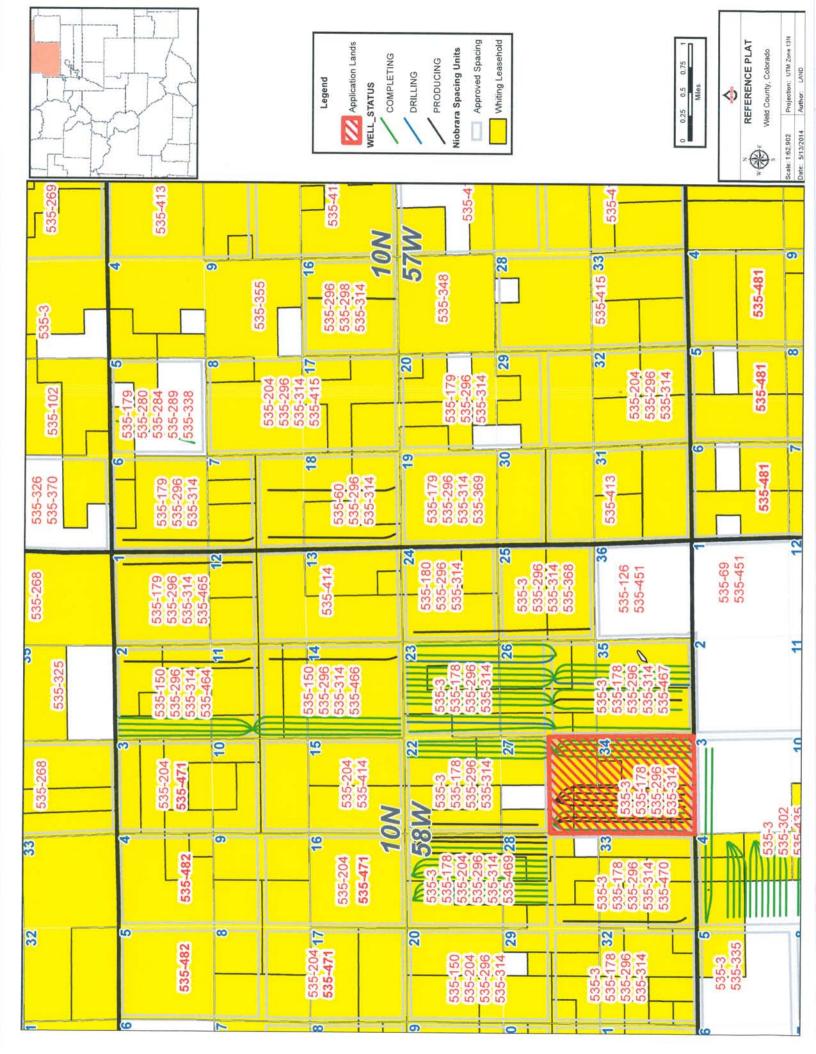
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I, Chelsey J. Russell, of lawful age, a declare:	nd being first duly sworn upon my oath, state and		
That I am the attorney for Whiting Oil 2014, I caused a copy of the attached App postage prepaid, addressed to the parties liste	and Gas Corporation and that on or before $\frac{5/30}{100}$, lication to be deposited in the United States mail, d on Exhibit A to the Application.		
	Chelsey J. Russell		
Subscribed and sworn to before me Jur	ne <u>4</u> , 2014.		
Witness my hand and official seal.			
EDITH I SHEARER NOTARY PUBLIC STATE OF COLORADO Notary ID 20054025662 My Commission Expires 06/29/2017	Notary Public My commission expires: 04/29/2017		