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TOWNSHIP 4 SOUTH, RANGE 65 WEST, 6TH	)	
P.M. AND SECTION 18, TOWNSHIP 4 SOUTH,	)	
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COMES NOW ConocoPhillips Company ("Applicant"), by and through its attorneys, Jost & Shelton Energy Group, P.C., and respectfully submits this Application to the Oil and Gas Conservation Commission of the State of Colorado (the "Commission") for an order pooling all interests in a 960-acre exploratory drilling and spacing unit for the drilling of the Montezuma 4-64 18-13 4H Well (No API No.) ("Well"), for the development of the Niobrara Formation on the following described lands:

Township 4 South, Range 65 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M. Section 13: E/2

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Arapahoe County, Colorado (hereinafter "Application Lands").

In support of its application, Applicant states and alleges as follows:

- 1. Applicant is a Delaware corporation duly organized and authorized to conduct business in the State of Colorado, and is a registered operator in good standing with the Commission.
- 2. Applicant owns leasehold interests and holds the right to operate in the Application Lands.
- 3. On November 29, 2011, the Commission entered Order No. 535-97 which, among other things, established 25 approximate 640-acre drilling and spacing units and approved up to two horizontal wells within each unit, for the production of oil, gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Niobrara Formation. Section 18, Township 4 South, Range 64 West, 6th P.M. is subject to this Order for the Niobrara Formation.

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- 6. Applicant, pursuant to Commission Rule 530 and the provisions of C.R.S. § 34-60-116 (6) and (7), seeks an order to pool all interests, including but not limited to, any nonconsenting interests, in the Application Lands consisting of the 960-acre drilling and spacing unit for the development of the Niobrara Formation, said order to apply to the Well.
- 7. Applicant requests that the Commission's pooling order be made effective as of the earlier of the date of this Application, or the date that the costs specified in C.R.S. § 34-60-116(7)(b) are first incurred for the drilling of the Well in the unit for the development of the Niobrara Formation on the Application Lands.
- 8. Applicant certifies that copies of this Application will be served on all persons owning an interest in the mineral estate of the tracts to be pooled within seven (7) days of the date hereof, as required by Rule 507.b(2), and that at least thirty (30) days prior to the hearing on this matter, each such interest owner not already leased or voluntarily pooled will be offered the opportunity to lease, or to participate in the drilling of the Well, and will be provided with the information required by Rule 530.
- 9. That in order to prevent waste and to protect correlative rights, all interests in the Application Lands and the 960-acre drilling and spacing should be pooled for the orderly development of the Niobrara Formation, including any nonconsenting interests therein.

WHEREFORE, Applicant requests that this matter be set for hearing at the next available opportunity, that notice be given as required by law, and that upon such hearing, the Commission enter its order:

- A. Pooling all interests in the 960-acre drilling and spacing unit on the Application Lands for the development of the Niobrara Formation.
- B. Providing that the Commission's pooling order is made effective as of the earlier of the date of this Application, or the date that the costs specified in C.R.S. § 34-60-

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- D. For such other findings and orders as the Commission may deem proper or advisable in this matter.

WHEREFORE, Applicant respectfully requests that this matter be set for hearing in September 2014, that notice be given as required by law, and that upon such hearing, the Commission enter its order consistent with Applicant's request as set forth above.

DATED this 17th day of July, 2014.

Respectfully submitted:

ConocoPhillips Company

By:

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## **VERIFICATION**

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	) ss.
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Samual A. Hamidi, Landman – Rockies with ConocoPhillips Company, upon oath deposes and says that he has read the foregoing Application and that the statements contained therein are true to the best of his knowledge, information and belief.

CONOCOPHILLIPS COMPANY

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Witness my hand and official seal.

My commission expires: 1-24-15

SUSAN C. WEAVER
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**CONOCOPHILLIPS COMPANY** 

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SUSAN C. WEAVER Notary Public, State of Texas My Commission Expires January 24, 2015

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## **AFFIDAVIT OF MAILING**

STATE OF COLORADO	)	
COUNTY OF DENVER	)	SS.

Jamie L. Jost of lawful age, and being first duly sworn upon her oath, states and declares:

That she is the attorney for ConocoPhillips Company, Inc., that on or before July 23, 2014, she caused a copy of the attached Application to be deposited in the United States Mail, postage prepaid, addressed to the parties listed on <a href="Exhibit A">Exhibit A</a> attached hereto.

Jamie I Jost

Subscribed and sworn to before me this

day of

2014

Witness my hand and official seal.

My commission expires:

the /110/2018

CHARLOTTE LAWLESS NOTARY PUBLIC STATE OF COLORADO NOTARY ID 20144023899 MY COMMISSION EXPIRES JUNE 16, 2018 Unalottefaulen

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