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

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF BONANZA CREEK ENERGY LLC, FOR AN ORDER ALLOWING UP TO TEN HORIZONTAL WELLS IN AN ESTABLISHED APPROXIMATE 640-ACRE DRILLING AND SPACING UNIT FOR THE NIOBRARA FORMATION IN SECTION 28, TOWNSHIP 5 NORTH, RANGE 62 WEST, 6TH P.M., WATTENBERG FIELD, WELD COUNTY, COLORADO

CAUSE NO.

DOCKET NO.

### **APPLICATION**

Bonanza Creek Energy LLC, ("Applicant"), by and through its attorneys, Jost & Shelton Energy Group, P.C., respectfully submits this Application to the Oil and Gas Conservation Commission of the State of Colorado (the "Commission") for an order to authorize a total of up to ten (10) horizontal wells in an established approximate 640-acre drilling and spacing unit, for the efficient and economic development of the oil, gas, and associated hydrocarbons from the Niobrara Formation, but only as to the Application Lands defined below:

Township 7 North, Range 62 West, 6th P.M. Section 28: All

Approximately 640 acres, more or less, Weld County, Colorado ("Application Lands").

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

- 1. Applicant is a corporation duly authorized to conduct business in the State of Colorado and is an operator in good standing with the Commission.
- 2. Applicant owns substantial leasehold interests in the Application Lands.
- 3. On June 27, 2011, the Commission entered Order No. 407-559, which, among other things, approves an order to establish seven (7) approximate 640-acre drilling and spacing units for certain lands located in Township 7 North, Ranges 61 through 62 West, 6th P.M., and approve one horizontal well within each unit, with the treated interval of the wellbore to be no closer that 460 feet from the unit boundaries, for the production of oil, gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Niobrara Formation. (Formerly Order No. 535-43).

- 4. On July 9, 2014, the Commission entered Order No. 407-660, which, among other things, approves an order to authorize up to four horizontal wells within an approximate 640-acre drilling and spacing unit consisting of Section 28, Township 7 North, Range 62 West, 6th P.M., for the production of oil, gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Niobrara Formation. As of the time of filling, the Order No. 407-660 contains a Scribner's error, incorrectly referencing the established 640-acre drilling and spacing unit as Section 20, Township 8 North, Range 64 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M. Applicant is moving forward under the assumption that Order No. 407-660 applies only to Application Lands.
- 5. Applicant requests that it be authorized to drill and complete a total of up to a total of ten (10) horizontal wells in order to efficiently and economically recover the oil, gas and associated hydrocarbons from the approximate 640-acre drilling and spacing unit established by Order No. 407-559 for Section 28, Township 7 North, Range 62 West, 6th P.M., with the treated interval of any horizontal wellbore to be no closer than wellbore to be located no closer than 460 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.
- 6. The Commission records reflect that there is one (1) well producing from the Niobrara Formation in the Application Lands; the Crow Valley 7-62-28 4H Well (API No. 05-123-35239), which Applicant operates.
- 7. Applicant asserts that the additional wells are necessary to prevent waste, protect correlative rights, and to assure the maximum efficient recovery of oil, gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Niobrara Formation on the Application Lands.
- 8. That the names and addresses of the interested parties, according to the information and belief of the Applicant, are set forth in <u>Exhibit A</u> attached hereto and made a part hereof, and the undersigned certifies that copies of this Application shall be served on each interested party within the next seven days as required by Rule 503.e.

WHEREFORE, Applicant respectfully requests that this matter be set for the December 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 October 16<sup>th</sup>, 2014.

Applicant's Address:
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Respectfully submitted,

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## **VERIFICATION**

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STATE OF COLORADO )	
) ss. CITY AND COUNTY OF DENVER )	
Caroline Heuring, of lawful age, being first duly sworn upon oath, deposes and says that she is a Landman for Bonanza Creek Energy LLC, and that she has read the foregoing Application and that the matters therein contained are true to the best of her knowledge, information and belief.	
Caroline Heuring Landman Bonanza Creek Energy LLC	
Subscribed and sworn to before me this // day of October 2014.	
Witness my hand and official seal.	
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My commission expires: 9/18/17

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DANIELLE E CARROLL Notary Public State of Colorado Notary ID 20134059312 My Commission Expires Sep 18, 2017

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#### AFFIDAVIT OF MAILING

STATE OF COLORADO	)
CITY AND 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 Bonanza Creek Energy LLC, that on or before October 3, 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 Exhibit A to the Application.

Jamie I. Jost

Subscribed and sworn to before me on October/6, 2014.

Witness my hand and official seal.

My commission expires: \_\_

Notary Public

DANIELLE E CARROLL Notary Public State of Colorado Notary ID 20134059312 My Commission Expires Sep 18, 2017

## Exhibit A Interested Party List ID-Sec 28-7N-62W

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