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

IN THE MATTER OF AN APPLICATION BY NOBLE)	
ENERGY, INC. FOR AN ORDER POOLING ALL INTERESTS)	CAUSE NO. 407
IN AN APPROXIMATE 718.23-ACRE ESTABLISHED)	
HORIZONTAL WELLBORE SPACING UNIT LOCATED IN)	DOCKET NO. To be assigned
PORTIONS OF SECTIONS 1, 2, 11, 12, 13 AND 14,		_
TOWNSHIP 6 NORTH, RANGE 63 WEST, 6 TH P.M., FOR THE)	
DEVELOPMENT/OPERATION OF THE NIOBRARA)	
FORMATION, WATTENBERG FIELD, WELD COUNTY,)	
COLORADO)	

APPLICATION

Noble Energy, Inc. ("Noble Energy" or "Applicant"), by and through its attorneys, Beatty & Wozniak, P.C., 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 an approximate 718.23-acre horizontal wellbore spacing unit established for portions of Sections 1, 2, 11, 12, 13 and 14, Township 6 North, Range 63 West, 6th P.M., for the development and operation of the Niobrara Formation. 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 has registered as an operator with the Commission.
 - 2. Applicant owns substantial leasehold interests in the below-listed lands:

Township 6 North, Range 63 West, 6th P.M.

Section 1: Lot 4 (39.17 acres), SW¹/₄ NW¹/₄, W¹/₂ SW¹/₄

Section 2: Lot 1 (39.06 acres), SE¼ NE¼, E½ SE¼ Section 11: E½ E½

 Section 11:
 E½ E½

 Section 12:
 W½ W½

 Section 13:
 NW¼ NW¼

 Section 14:
 NE¼ NE¼

Weld County, Colorado

These lands are hereinafter referred to as the "Application Lands" and depicted in Exhibit A attached hereto.

- 3. On April 27, 1998, the Commission adopted Rule 318A. which, among other things, allowed certain drilling locations to be utilized to drill or twin a well, deepen a well or recomplete a well and to commingle any or all of the Cretaceous Age Formations from the base of the Dakota Formation to the surface. On December 5, 2005, Rule 318A. was amended to allow interior infill and boundary wells to be drilled and wellbore spacing units to be established. On August 8, 2011, Rule 318A. was again amended to, among other things, address drilling of horizontal wells. The Application Lands are subject to Rule 318A.
- 4. Pursuant to Rule 318A., Applicant designated an approximate 718.23-acre horizontal wellbore spacing unit, comprised of the Application Lands, for the Crow Creek AA01-789 well (API No. 05-123-40166) ("Well"), for the production of oil, gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Niobrara Formation. Applicant notified all owners in the proposed wellbore spacing unit pursuant to Rule 318A.e.(6). Applicant did not receive objections to the establishment of the proposed horizontal wellbore spacing unit within the 30-day response period.

- 5. Acting pursuant to the relevant provisions of §34-60-116(6) & (7), C.R.S., and Rule 530., Applicant seeks an order pooling all interests, including, but not limited to, any nonconsenting interests, in an approximate 718.23-acre horizontal wellbore spacing unit established for the Application Lands, for the development and operation of the Niobrara Formation.
- 6. Applicant requests that the pooling order entered as a result of this Application be made effective as of the date of this Application.
- 7. Further, Applicant requests that the interests of any owners with whom the Applicant has been unable to secure a lease or other agreement to participate in the drilling of the Well, are made subject to the cost recovery provisions of §34-60-116(7), C.R.S.
- 8. The granting of this Application is in accord with the Oil and Gas Conservation Act, found at §34-60-101, *et seq.*, C.R.S., and the Commission rules.
- 9. Applicant requests that relief granted under this Application should be effective on oral order by the Commission, and Applicant hereby agrees to be bound by said oral order.
- 10. That the names and addresses of the interested parties (persons who own any interest in the mineral estate of the tracts to be pooled, except owners of overriding royalty interest) according to the information and belief of the Applicant are set forth in <u>Exhibit B</u> attached hereto. The Applicant shall submit a certificate of service for the Application within the seven days as required by Rule 503.e.

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:

- A. Pooling all interests in an approximate 718.23-acre horizontal wellbore spacing unit established for the Application Lands, for the development and operation of the Niobrara Formation, with the pooling order made effective as of the date of this Application.
- B. Providing that the interests of any owners with whom the Applicant has been unable to secure a lease or other agreement to participate in the drilling of the Well, are pooled by operation of statute, pursuant to §34-60-116(6) & (7), C.R.S., and made subject to the cost recovery provisions thereof.
- C. For such other findings and orders as the Commission may deem proper or advisable in the premises.

DATED this day of October, 2014.

Respectfully submitted,

NOBLE ENERGY, INC.

By:

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VERIFICATION

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

Charles A. Snure, Land Manager for Noble Energy, Inc., 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.

NOBLE ENERGY, INC.

Charles A. Snure

Subscribed and sworn to before me this ______ day of October, 2014, by Charles A. Snure, Land Manager for Noble Energy, Inc.

Witness my hand and official seal.

ANNA HUDSON
NOTARY PUBLIC
STATE OF COLORADO
NOTARY ID # 20104043482
MY COMMISSION EXPIRES OCTOBER 13, 2018

My commission expires:

otary Public

Exhibit A Application Map ∞ Sections 1, 2, 11, 12, 13 & 14, T6N, R63W Weld County T6N, R62W I Application Lands -T6N, RG3W

EXHIBIT B

INTERESTED PARTIES

The names and addresses of the interested parties (persons who own any interest in the mineral estate of the tracts to be pooled, except owners of overriding royalty interest) according to the information and belief of the Applicant are set forth in this <u>Exhibit B</u>.

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AFFIDAVIT OF MAILING			
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Jennifer Pittenger, of lawful age, and being first duly sworn upon her oath, states and declares:			
That she is a Legal Assistant at Beatty & Wozniak, P.C., attorneys for Noble Energy, Inc., and on or before October 2014, caused a copy of the attached Application to be deposited in the United States Mail, postage prepaid, addressed to the parties listed on Exhibit B to the Application.			
Jennifer Pittenger			
Subscribed and sworn to before me this day of October, 2014.			
Witness my hand and official seal.			
TERESA L. PETERSON NOTARY PUBLIC STATE OF COLORADO NOTARY ID 19894002026 MY COMMISSION EXPIRES OCT.4, 2017 Notary Public			