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

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF BONANZA CREEK ENERGY OPERATING COMPANY LLC, FOR AN ORDER APPLYING THE COST RECOVERY PROVISIONS OF C.R.S. 34-60-116(7) TO THE CROW VALLEY 7-62-24 2H WELL (API NO. 05-123-35246) IN AN ESTABLISHED APPROXIMATE 1280-ACRE DRILLING AND SPACING UNIT POOLED IN ORDER NO. 407-716, LOCATED IN SECTIONS 24 AND 25, TOWNSHIP 7 NORTH, RANGE 62 6<sup>TH</sup> WEST. P.M., FOR THE **DEVELOPMENT/OPERATION** OF THE NIOBRARA FORMATION, UNNAMED FIELD, WELD COUNTY, COLORADO

CAUSE NO.

DOCKET NO.

#### **APPLICATION**

COMES NOW Bonanza Creek Energy Operating Company LLC (Operator No. 8960) ("Applicant"), by its attorneys, Jost & Shelton Energy Group, P.C., and makes this application to the Oil and Gas Conservation Commission of the State of Colorado ("Commission") for an order applying the cost recovery provisions of C.R.S. § 34-60-116(7) to the Crow Valley 7-62-24 2H Well (API No. 05-123-35246) ("Well") in an established approximate 1280-acre drilling and spacing unit, for the development of the Niobrara Formation on the following described lands:

Township 7 North, Range 62 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M. Section 24: All

Section 25: All

1280-acres, more or less, Weld County, Colorado (hereinafter "Application Lands").

In support thereof, Applicant states and alleges as follows:

- 1. Applicant is a corporation duly authorized to conduct business in the State of Colorado, and is a registered operator in good standing with the Commission.
  - 2. Applicant owns certain leasehold interests in the Application Lands.
- 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 the drilling of horizontal wells.

- 4. On June 27, 2011, the Commission entered Order No. 407-559, which, among other things, approved the request for 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, for the production of gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Niobrara Formation (Formerly Order No. 535-43). Order No. 407-559 does not affect this Application.
- 5. On October 31, 2011, the Commission entered Order No. 407-501, which, among other things, approved the request for an order to establish 51 approximate 640-acre drilling and spacing units for lands in Townships 1, 2, and 3 North, Ranges 61, 62 and 63 West, 6th P.M., and approve two horizontal wells within each unit, for the production of oil, gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Niobrara Formation. Order No. 407-559 does not affect this Application.
- 6. On December 12, 2011, the Commission entered Order No. 407-528, which, among other things, approved the request for an order to establish 12 approximate 640-acre drilling and spacing units for certain lands located in Townships 6 and 7 North, Ranges 61 and 62 West, 6th P.M., and approve one horizontal well within each unit. Order No. 407-528 does not affect this Application.
- 7. On December May 29, 2012, the Commission entered Order No. 407-642, which, among other things, approved the request for an order to amend Order Nos. 407-528, 407-559, and 535-27, vacate Order No. 535-27, authorize up to four horizontal wells in certain established drilling and spacing units, establish various 640-acre and 1280-acre drilling and spacing units for lands consisting of Sections 3, 13, 18, 24 & 25, 28, 32 & 33, Township 7 North, Ranges 60 & 62 West, 6th P.M., for the production of oil, gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Niobrara Formation.
- 8. On October 1, 2012, the Commission entered Order No. 407-716, which, among other things, approved the request for an order to pool all nonconsenting interests in an approximate 1280-acre drilling and spacing unit consisting of Sections 24 and 25, Township 7 North, Range 62 West, 6th P.M., for the development and operation of the Niobrara Formation. Certain parties with ownership interests in the Application Lands have elected to be pooled, pursuant to C.R.S. § 34-60-116(7), and have the cost recovery penalties applied to their interests. Applicant maintains that all interests in the approximate 1280-acre drilling and spacing unit comprised of Application Lands have been pooled pursuant to Order No. 407-716.
- 9. Applicant, pursuant to Commission Rule 530 and/or the provisions of C.R.S. § 34-60-116 (6) and (7), hereby requests an order to pool all interests within the

drilling and spacing unit, including but not limited to, any non-consenting interests and leased mineral interests, in the Application Lands in the Niobrara Formation underlying the following approximate 1280-acre drilling and spacing unit:

Township 7 North, Range 62 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M.

Section 24: All Section 25: All

- 10. 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) were first incurred for the drilling of the Well to the Niobrara Formation on the Application Lands.
- 11. 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, including leased mineral interest owners, within seven (7) days of the date hereof, as required by Rule 507.b(2), and that at least thirty-five (35) 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(s), and will be provided with the information required by Rule 530 as applicable. The list of such interested parties is attached hereto as Exhibit A.
- 12. That in order to prevent waste and to protect correlative rights, all interests in the drilling and spacing unit should be pooled for the orderly development of the Niobrara Formation, including any non-consenting 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. Applying the cost recovery provisions of C.R.S. § 34-60-116(7) to the Crow Valley 7-62-24 2H Well (API No. 05-123-35246) in an established approximate 1280-acre drilling and spacing unit, under Order no. 407-716, on 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 any of the costs specified in C.R.S. § 34-60-116(7)(b) are first incurred for the drilling of any well to the Niobrara Formation on the Application Lands.
- C. 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(s) are pooled by operation of statute, pursuant to C.R.S. § 34-60-116(6) and (7), and made subject to the cost recovery provisions thereof with respect to the well(s) drilled to develop the Niobrara Formation in the drilling and spacing unit composing the Application Lands.

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 April 2015, 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: February 12<sup>th</sup>, 2015.

Respectfully submitted:

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### **VERIFICATION**

STATE OF COLORADO	)
CITY AND COUNTY OF DENVER	) ss. )
he is a Landman, Rocky Mountain Regio	rst duly sworn upon oath, deposes and says that on for Bonanza Creek Energy, Inc., and that he nat the matters therein contained are true to the elief.
	Matt Jones, RL Landman, Rocky Mountain Region Bonanza Creek Energy, Inc.
Subscribed and sworn to before me this	day of February 2015.
Witness my hand and official seal.	SALLY KROMER
[SEAL]	NOTARY PUBLIC  STATE OF COLORADO  NOTARY ID # 20144038926  MY COMMISSION EXPIRES OCTOBER 06, 2018
My commission expires: 10-06- 2018	- \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \

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#### **AFFIDAVIT OF MAILING**

STATE OF COLORADO	)
	)ss.
CITY AND COUNTY OF DENVER	)

I, Jamie L. Jost, of lawful age, and being first duly sworn upon my oath, state and declare that I am the attorney for Bonanza Creek Energy Operating Company LLC, and that on or before the the day of February, 2015, I 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 L. Jost

Subscribed and sworn to before me on this day of February, 2015

Witness my hand and official seal.

My commission expires:  $\frac{\sqrt{14}\sqrt{2018}}{\sqrt{18}}$ 

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

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Notary Public

# Exhibit A Interested Party List

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