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

IN THE MATTER OF AN APPLICATION BY PDC ENERGY, INC. FOR AN ORDER POOLING ALL INTERESTS IN AN APPROXIMATE 320-ACRE DESIGNATED HORIZONTAL WELLBORE SPACING UNIT ESTABLISHED FOR SECTION 18, TOWNSHIP 4 NORTH, RANGE 67 WEST, 6TH P.M., FOR THE DEVELOPMENT/OPERATION OF THE NIOBRARA FORMATION, WATTENBERG FIELD, WELD COUNTY, COLORADO

CAUSE NO. 407

DOCKET NO. To be assigned

APPLICATION

PDC Energy, Inc., Operator No. 69175, ("PDC" 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 ("Commission") for an order pooling all interests in an approximate 320-acre horizontal wellbore spacing unit established for certain portions of Section 18, Township 4 North, Range 67 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 4 North, Range 67 West, 6th P.M. Section 18: E½

Wellbore Spacing Unit ("WSU") No. 1 320 acres, more or less, Weld County, Colorado

These lands are hereinafter referred to as the "Application Lands" and depicted in <u>Exhibit</u> 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 320-acre horizontal wellbore spacing unit, comprised of the Application Lands, for the below-

described 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.(5). Applicant did not receive objections to the establishment of the proposed horizontal wellbore spacing unit within the 30-day response period:

a. Rieder #18T-321 Well (API No. 05-123-40565) – Niobrara Formation – WSU #1.

This well is hereinafter referred to as the "Subject Well."

- 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 WSU No. 1, 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 Subject Well, are made subject to the cost recovery provisions of §34-60-116(7), C.R.S., effective as of the earlier of the date of the Application, or the date the costs specified in §34-60-116(7)(b), C.R.S. are first incurred for the drilling of the Subject Well.
- 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 Exhibit B 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 WSU No. 1 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 Subject 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, effective as of the earlier of the date of the Application, or the date the costs specified in §34-60-116(7)(b), C.R.S. are first incurred for the drilling of the Subject Well.

C. For such other findings and orders as the Commission may deem proper or advisable in the premises.

DATED this 20 day of May, 2015.

Respectfully submitted,

PDC ENERGY, INC.

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VERIFICATION

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

Joshua Wagner, Senior Regional Landman for PDC 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.

PDC ENERGY, INC.

Joshua Wagner

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 20th day of May, 2015, by Joshua Wagner, Senior Regional Landman for PDC Energy, Inc.

Witness my hand and official seal.

My commission expires: ____

KRISTIE ANN MONEY
NOTARY PUBLIC
STATE OF COLORADO
NOTARY ID 20134031387
My Commission Expires May 16, 2017

Notary Public

Exhibit A

Reference Map for Pooling Application

Township 4 North, Range 67 West, 6th P.M. Section 18: E½

	Hwy 60			Hwy 60	
11	12	7	8	9	
14	13	18	17	16	
23	24	19	20	21	67.W
26	25	30	29	28	

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 Exhibit B.

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

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 PDC Energy, Inc., and on or before May 27, 2015, 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 <u>ao</u> day of May, 2015.

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

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Jillian Fulcher, of lawful age, and being first duly	sworn upon her oath, states and declares:				
That she is an Attorney at Beatty & Wozniak, F 69175, and on or before June 8, 2015, caus deposited in the United States Mail, postage pre	sed a copy of the attached Application to be				
Norma Mayes 3598 W. 21 st Street Road Greeley, CO 80634	Joyce Middleton 3598 W. 21 st Street Road Greeley, CO 80634				
	Jillian Fulcher				
Subscribed and sworn to before me this <u>5</u> day of June, 2015.					
Witness my hand and official seal.					
JENNIFER PITTENGER Notary Public State of Colorado Notary ID 20134062771 My Commission Expires Sep 27, 2017	Notary Public				