

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

IN THE MATTER OF PROMULGATION AND)
ESTABLISHMENT OF FIELD RULES TO GOVERN)
OPERATIONS IN THE MAMM CREEK FIELD,)
GARFIELD COUNTY, COLORADO)

CAUSE NOS. 191 & 510
DOCKET NO: 0701-AW-01

NOTICE OF HEARING

TO ALL INTERESTED PARTIES AND TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

Rule 318.a. of the Rules and Regulations of the Commission requires that wells drilled in excess of two thousand five hundred (2,500) feet in depth be located not less than six hundred (600) feet from any lease line, and located not less than one thousand two hundred (1,200) feet from any other producible or drilling oil or gas well when drilling to the same common source of supply. Portions of Section 8, Township 6 South, Range 92 West, 6th P.M. are subject to this rule.

On October 31, 2005, the Commission issued Order No. 510-16, which among other things, allowed the equivalent of one (1) well per 10 acres to be drilled on certain lands including portions of Section 8, Township 6 South, Range 92 West, 6th P.M., for the production of gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Williams Fork Formation of the Mesaverde Group, with the permitted well to be located no closer than 100 feet from the outside boundary.

On June 5, 2006, the Commission issued Order No. 191-25, which among other things, allowed the equivalent of one (1) well per 10 acres to be drilled on certain lands including portions of Section 8, Township 6 South, Range 92 West, 6th P.M., for the production of gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Iles Formation of the Mesaverde Group.

On September 18, 2006, the Commission issued Order No. 191-34, which among other things, allowed the equivalent of one (1) well per 10 acres to be drilled in the S $\frac{1}{2}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 8, Township 6 South, Range 92 West, 6th P.M., for the production of gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Williams Fork and Iles Formations of the Mesaverde Group.

That all wells to be drilled under the verified application will be drilled from the surface, either vertically or directionally, from no more than one pad located on a given quarter quarter section unless exception is granted by the Colorado Oil and Gas Conservation Commission pursuant to application made for such exception.

On November 16, 2006, Antero Resources Piceance Corporation, by its attorney, filed with the Commission a verified application for an order to allow the equivalent of one (1) well per 10 acres, for the below-described lands for production of gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Williams Fork and Iles Formations. Said wells will be drilled from the surface either vertically or directionally from no more than one (1) pad located on a given quarter quarter section, unless exception is granted by the Colorado Oil and Gas Conservation Commission.

A parcel of land in the N $\frac{1}{2}$ of Section 8, Township 6 South, 92 West, 6th P.M., said tract or parcel being more particularly described as follows:

Beginning at the Northwestern corner of Section 8; thence South 01° 03' West along the west line of Section 8 a distance of 695.7 feet; thence North 67° 05' East a distance of 678.3 feet; thence North 76° 22' East a distance of 141.3 feet; thence South 78° 14' East a distance of 102 feet; thence North 71° 34' East a distance of 52.60 feet; thence South 86° 40' East a distance of 429.2 feet; thence South 55° 59' East a distance of 200.8 feet; thence South 85° 26' East a distance of 104.3 feet; thence North 87° 43' East a distance of 104.1 feet; thence South 43° 29' East a distance of 894.6 feet; thence North 77° 28' West a distance of 76.70 feet; thence South 65° 55' East a distance of 464.9 feet; thence South 75° 57' 36" East a distance of 169.2 feet; thence South 76° 37' East a distance of 185.8 feet; thence South 72° 55' East a distance of 200.8 feet; thence South 86° 05' East a distance of 159.1 feet; thence South 87° 46' East a distance of 246.5 feet; thence North 83° 00' East a distance of 157.1 feet; thence North 82° 23' East a distance of 121.5 feet; thence North 75° 19' East a distance of 342.4 feet; thence North 72° 45' 36" East a distance of 249.2 feet; thence North 54° 41' 24" East a distance of 241.4 feet; thence North 71° 24' East a distance of 153.1 feet; thence North 70° 51' East a distance of 188.6 feet; thence North 73° 36' 36" East a distance of 290.9 feet; thence North 69° 44' East a distance of 23.4 feet; thence North 0° 43' 12" East along the east line of Section 8 a distance of 884 feet; thence North 88° 47' 59" West along the north line of Section 8 a distance of 5291.7 feet to the point of beginning.

All future Williams Fork Formation wells should be located downhole anywhere upon such lands but no closer than 100 feet from the outside boundary of the drilling and spacing unit unless such unit abuts or corners lands in respect of which the Commission has not at the time of the drilling permit application granted the right to drill 10-acre density downhole drilling for the Williams Fork Formation in which event the Williams Fork Formation wells to be drilled upon the application lands should be drilled downhole no closer than 200 feet from the portion of the boundary which so abuts or corners the lands in respect of which 10 acre density downhole drilling for the Williams Fork Formation wells has not been ordered by the Commission. All future Iles Formation wells should be located downhole anywhere upon such lands but no closer than 100 feet from the boundaries of the unit unless such unit abuts or corners lands in respect of which the Commission has not at the time of drilling permit application granted the right to drill 10-acre density Iles Formation wells in which event Iles Formation wells to be drilled upon the application lands should be drilled downhole no closer than 400 feet from the portion of the boundary which so abuts or corners the lands in respect of which 10 acre density downhole drilling for the Iles Formation wells has not been ordered by the Commission.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the Oil and Gas Conservation Commission of the State of Colorado, pursuant to the above, has scheduled the above-entitled matter for hearing on:

Date: Monday, January 08, 2007
Tuesday, January 09, 2007

Time: 9:00 a.m.

Place: Suite 801, The Chancery Building
1120 Lincoln Street
Denver, Colorado 80203

In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, if any party requires special accommodations as a result of a disability for this hearing, please contact Margaret Humecki at (303) 894-2100 ext. 139, prior to the hearing and arrangements will be made.

Pursuant to said hearing in the above-entitled matter at the time and place aforesaid, or at any adjourned meeting, the Commission will enter such orders as it deems appropriate to protect the health, safety and welfare of the public and to prevent the waste of oil and gas, either or both, in the operations of said field, and to carry out the purposes of the statute.

In accordance with Rule 509., any interested party desiring to protest the granting of the application or to intervene on the application should file with the Commission a written protest or intervention no later than December 22, 2006, briefly stating the basis of the protest or intervention. Such interested party shall, at the same time, serve a copy of the protest or intervention to the person filing the application. An original and nine (9) copies shall be filed with the Commission (Rule 503.). **Anyone who files a protest or intervention must be able to participate in a prehearing conference during the week of December 26, 2006.** Pursuant to Rule 503.f., if a party who has received notice under Rule 503.b. wishes to receive further pleadings in the above-referenced matter, that party must file a protest or intervention in accordance with these rules. In accordance with the practices of the Commission, should no protests or interventions be filed in this matter by **December 22, 2006, the Applicant may request that an administrative hearing be scheduled for the week of December 26, 2006.** In the alternative, pursuant to Rule 511.b., if the matter is uncontested, the applicant may request, and the Director may recommend approval on the basis of the merits of the verified application and the supporting exhibits.

IN THE NAME OF THE STATE OF COLORADO

OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF COLORADO

By _____
Patricia C. Beaver, Secretary

Dated at Suite 801
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