

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

IN THE MATTER OF THE PROMULGATION AND) CAUSE NO. 112
ESTABLISHMENT OF FIELD RULES TO GOVERN)
OPERATIONS IN THE IGNACIO-BLANCO FIELD,) DOCKET NO. 1108-EX-11
LA PLATA COUNTY, COLORADO)

NOTICE OF HEARING

TO ALL INTERESTED PARTIES AND TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

Rule 318.c. of the Rules and Regulations of the Oil and Gas Conservation Commission states that the Director may grant an operator's request for a well location exception to the requirements of Rule 318 or any order because of geologic, environmental, topographic or archaeological conditions, irregular sections, a surface owner request, or for other good cause shown provided that a waiver or consent signed by the lease owner toward whom the well location is proposed to be move, agreeing that said well may be located at the point at which the operator proposes to drill the well and where correlative rights are protected. If the operator of the proposed well is also the operator of the drilling unit or unspaced offset lease toward which the well is proposed to be moved, waivers shall be obtained from the mineral interest owners under such lands. If waivers cannot be obtained from all parties and no party objects to the location, the operator may apply for a variance under Rule 502.b. If a party or parties object to a location and cannot reach an agreement, the operator may apply for a Commission hearing on the exception location.

On June 17, 1988, the Commission issued Order No. 112-60, which, among other things, established 320-acre drilling and spacing units for production of gas from the Fruitland coal seams, with the permitted well to be located no closer than 990 feet to any outer boundary of the unit, nor closer than 130 feet to any interior quarter section line. Section 3, Township 32 North, Range 7 West, N.M.P.M. is subject to this Order.

On May 5, 2000, the Commission issued Order No. 112-157, which, among other things, allowed an optional second Fruitland coal seam well to be drilled in each 320-acre drilling and spacing unit with such additional well being located no closer than 990 feet to any outer boundary of the unit, nor closer than 130 feet to any interior quarter section line. Section 3, Township 32 North, Range 7 West, N.M.P.M. is subject to this Order.

On October 31, 2005, the Commission entered Order 112-181, which, among other things, allowed a total of up to four wells to be optionally drilled in each 320-acre drilling and spacing unit for certain specified lands, with the permitted well to be located no closer than 660 feet to any outer boundary of the unit with no interior section line setback, utilizing a common or expanded pad with an existing well, for production of gas from the Fruitland coal seams. Section 3, Township 32 North, Range 7 West, N.M.P.M. is subject to this Order.

On June 9, 2011, Samson Resources Company ("Samson" or Applicant), by its attorneys, filed with the Commission a verified application (the "Application") for an order to grant a well location exception for the Colorado 32-7-3 #16 Well (the "Well"), API #05-067-09836, a directional well, with an intended bottomhole location of 660 feet FSL and 660 feet FEL in the SE¼ SE¼ of Section 3, Township 32 North, Range 7 West, N.M.P.M. The actual bottomhole location of the Well is 681.6 feet FSL and 583.2 feet FEL, or 76.8 feet inside the 660 foot setback along the east line of Section 3. The Well is approximately 897 feet from the cornering drilling and spacing unit.

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, August 8, 2011
Tuesday, August 9, 2011
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. 5139, 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 July 25, 2011, 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 13 copies shall be filed with the Commission. **Anyone who files a protest or intervention must be able to participate in a prehearing conference during the week of July 25, 2011.** Pursuant to Rule 503.g., 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 **July 25, 2011, the Applicant may request that an administrative hearing be scheduled during the week of July 25, 2011.** In the alternative, pursuant to Rule 511., 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 
Robert A. Wills, Acting Secretary

Dated at Suite 801
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