

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

IN THE MATTER OF THE PROMULGATION AND ) CAUSE NO. 535  
ESTABLISHMENT OF FIELD RULES TO GOVERN )  
OPERATIONS IN AN UNNAMED FIELD, ) DOCKET NO. 1203-SP-36  
WELD COUNTY, COLORADO )

NOTICE OF HEARING

TO ALL INTERESTED PARTIES AND TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

Rule 318.a. of the Rules and Regulations of the Oil and Gas Conservation Commission requires that wells drilled in excess of 2,500 feet in depth be located not less than 600 feet from any lease line, and located not less than 1,200 feet from any other producible or drilling oil or gas well when drilling to the same common source of supply. Sections 2 and 11, Township 10 North, Range 58 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M., Sections 11 and 14, Township 10 North, Range 58 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M., and Sections 20 and 29, Township 10 North, Range 58 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M. are subject to Rule 318.a.

On December 21, 2011, Whiting Oil & Gas Corp. ("Whiting" or "Applicant"), by its attorneys, filed with the Commission a verified application ("Application") for an order to: 1) establish three approximate 960-acre drilling and spacing units for the below-listed lands ("Application Lands"), and approve up to four horizontal wells within each unit, as necessary to economically and efficiently recover the oil, gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Niobrara Formation, with the treated interval of any permitted well to be no closer than 600 feet from the boundaries of said unit and the distance between the treated intervals of any permitted well to be no closer than 150 feet; and 2) authorize the surface location for any permitted well under the Application to be located anywhere within said unit or on surrounding lands:

*Drilling and Spacing Unit No. 1*

Township 10 North, Range 58 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M.

Section 2: All  
Section 11: N½

*Drilling and Spacing Unit No. 2*

Township 10 North, Range 58 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M.

Section 11: S½  
Section 14: All

*Drilling and Spacing Unit No. 3*

Township 10 North, Range 58 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M.

Section 20: All  
Section 29: N½

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, March 5, 2012  
Tuesday, March 6, 2012  
Time: 9:00 a.m.  
Place: COGCC Offices  
1120 Lincoln Street, Suite 801  
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 February 17, 2012, 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 February 17, 2012.** 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 **February 17, 2012, the Applicant may request that an administrative hearing be scheduled beginning February 17, 2012.** 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   
Peter J. Gowen, Acting Secretary

Dated at Suite 801  
1120 Lincoln Street  
Denver, Colorado 80203  
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