

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. 1207-SP-77  
WELD COUNTY, COLORADO )

NOTICE OF HEARING

TO ALL INTERESTED PARTIES AND TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

On February 22, 2011, the Commission entered Order No. 535-3 which, among other things, established 160 approximate 640-acre drilling and spacing units for certain lands located in Township 10 North, Range 58 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M., and approved one horizontal well for each of the units, for the production of oil, gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Niobrara Formation. Sections 26, 27, 28, and 31 through 35, Township 10 North, Range 58 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M. are subject to this Order for the Niobrara Formation.

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 21, 22, 23, 29 and 30, Township 10 North, Range 58 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M. are subject to Rule 318.a. for the Niobrara Formation.

On May 10, 2012, Whiting Oil and Gas Corporation ("Whiting" or "Applicant"), by its attorneys, filed with the Commission pursuant to § 34-60-116 C.R.S., a verified application ("Application") for an order to establish eight approximate 960-acre drilling and spacing units for the below-described lands ("Application Lands"), and authorize up to four horizontal wells within each of the units, for the production of oil, gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Niobrara Formation, with the treated interval of the wellbore to be located no closer than 600 feet from the unit boundaries and no closer than 1,200 feet from the treated interval of any other wellbore located in the units, without exception being granted by the Director.

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

Section 21: ALL

Section 28: N ½

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

Section 22: ALL

Section 27: N ½

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

Section 23: ALL

Section 26: N ½

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

Section 26: S ½

Section 35: ALL

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

Section 27: S ½

Section 34: ALL

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

Section 28: S ½

Section 33: ALL

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

Section 29: S ½

Section 32: ALL

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

Section 30: S ½

Section 31: ALL

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, pursuant to: 1) the general jurisdiction granted to the Oil and Gas Conservation Commission of the State of Colorado ("Commission") under § 34-60-105 C.R.S.; 2) specific powers granted pursuant to § 34-60-106 C.R.S.; 3) the Colorado Administrative Procedures Act at § 24-4-105 C.R.S.; and 4) the Commission's Series 500 Rules at 2CCR 404-1, that the Commission has scheduled the above-entitled matter for hearing on:

Date: Monday, July 9, 2012  
Tuesday, July 10, 2012

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 June 25, 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 June 25, 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 **June 25, 2012, the Applicant may request that an administrative hearing be scheduled during the week of June 25, 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  
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