

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

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF WHITING ) CAUSE NO. 535  
OIL AND GAS CORPORATION FOR AN ORDER TO )  
ESTABLISH TWELVE APPROXIMATE 960-ACRE ) DOCKET NO. 1302-SP-20  
DRILLING AND SPACING UNITS AND APPROVE UP )  
TO FOUR HORIZONTAL WELLS WITHIN EACH UNIT )  
FOR SECTIONS 1-3, 6-7, 9-14, 16, 18, 21, 23-26, 28, )  
AND 35, TOWNSHIP 11 NORTH, RANGE 57 WEST, 6<sup>TH</sup> )  
P.M. FOR THE NIOBRARA FORMATION, UNNAMED )  
FIELD, WELD COUNTY, COLORADO )

AMENDED 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 1-3, 6-7, 9-14, 16, 18, 21, 23-26, 28, and 35, Township 11 North, Range 57 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M. are subject to this Rule for the Niobrara Formation.

On December 13, 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 12 approximate 960-acre drilling and spacing units for the below-described lands ("Application Lands"), and approve up to four horizontal wells within each unit, 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 150 feet from the treated interval of any other wellbore located in the unit, without exception being granted by the Director:

Township 11 North, Range 57 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M. (DSU #1)  
Section 1: All (comprised of Lots 1, 2, 3, 4, S $\frac{1}{2}$  N $\frac{1}{2}$ , S $\frac{1}{2}$ )  
Section 12: N $\frac{1}{2}$

Township 11 North, Range 57 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M. (DSU #2)  
Section 2: All (comprised of Lots 1, 2, 3, 4, S $\frac{1}{2}$  N $\frac{1}{2}$ , S $\frac{1}{2}$ )  
Section 11: N $\frac{1}{2}$

Township 11 North, Range 57 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M. (DSU #3)  
Section 3: All (comprised of Lots 1, 2, 3, 4, S $\frac{1}{2}$  N $\frac{1}{2}$ , S $\frac{1}{2}$ )  
Section 10: N $\frac{1}{2}$

Township 11 North, Range 57 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M. (DSU #4)  
Section 6: All (comprised of Lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, SE $\frac{1}{4}$  NW $\frac{1}{4}$ , S $\frac{1}{2}$  NE $\frac{1}{4}$ , E $\frac{1}{2}$  SW $\frac{1}{4}$ , SE $\frac{1}{4}$ )  
Section 7: N $\frac{1}{2}$  (comprised of Lots 1, 2, E $\frac{1}{2}$  NW $\frac{1}{4}$ , NE $\frac{1}{4}$ )

Township 11 North, Range 57 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M. (DSU #5)  
Section 12: S½  
Section 13: All

Township 11 North, Range 57 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M. (DSU #6)  
Section 11: S½  
Section 14: All

Township 11 North, Range 57 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M. (DSU #7)  
Section 9: S½  
Section 16: All

Township 11 North, Range 57 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M. (DSU #8)  
Section 7: S½ (comprised of Lots 3, 4, E½ SW¼, SE¼)  
Section 18: All (comprised of Lots 1, 2, 3, 4, E½ W½, E½)

Township 11 North, Range 57 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M. (DSU #9)  
Section 21: All  
Section 28: N½

Township 11 North, Range 57 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M. (DSU #10)  
Section 23: All  
Section 26: N½

Township 11 North, Range 57 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M. (DSU #11)  
Section 24: All  
Section 25: N½

Township 11 North, Range 57 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M. (DSU #12)  
Section 26: S½  
Section 35: All

**On February 11, 2013, the Commission approved Order No. 535-267. On February 12, 2013, the COGCC learned this Notice of Hearing was not mailed to Interested Parties at least 10 days in advance of the February 11, 2013 hearing, C.R.S. §34-60-108(4). As a result, this Amended Notice of Hearing is being republished with a new Protest/Intervention date of March 11, 2013. The Order of the Commission shall become effective on March 12, 2013 if no protest or intervention is received. If a protest or intervention is received, the Commission's Order will be vacated, and the matter set for hearing during the week of March 11, 2013.**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, pursuant to: 1) the general jurisdiction granted to the Oil and Gas Conservation Commission of the State of Colorado 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, March 25, 2013**  
**Tuesday, March 26, 2013**

Time: 9:00 a.m.


Place: Colorado Oil and Gas Conservation Commission  
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 March 11, 2013, 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 March 11, 2013.** 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 **March 11, 2013 the Applicant may request that an administrative hearing be scheduled beginning March 11, 2013.** 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.

OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION COMMISSION  
OF THE STATE OF COLORADO

By  \_\_\_\_\_  
Robert J. Frick, Secretary

Dated: **AMENDED, February 14, 2013**

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