

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

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF) CAUSE NO. 369
PICEANCE ENERGY, LLC FOR AN ORDER TO)
ESTABLISH AN APPROXIMATE 160-ACRE DRILLING) DOCKET NO. 1305-SP-54
AND SPACING UNIT FOR THE NW¼ OF SECTION 20,)
TOWNSHIP 9 SOUTH, RANGE 93 WEST, 6TH P.M.)
FOR THE WILLIAMS FORK AND ILES FORMATION,)
BUZZARD CREEK FIELD, MESA COUNTY,)
COLORADO)

NOTICE OF HEARING

TO ALL INTERESTED PARTIES AND TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

On September 22, 2008, the Commission entered Order No. 369-5 which, among other things, approved the equivalent of one well per 10 acres for production of oil, gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Williams Fork and Iles Formations. The Order further provided that future Williams Fork and Iles Formation wells drilled would be located downhole anywhere on the lands, but no closer than 100 feet from a lease line or the boundaries, and in cases where the Application Lands abut or corner lands in respect of which the Commission has not at the time of drilling permit application granted the right to drill 10 acre density Williams Fork and Iles Formation wells, would be located downhole no closer than 200 feet from the boundaries of the Application Lands so abutting or cornering such lands, without exception being granted by the Director. The Order further provided that wells shall be drilled from the surface, either vertically or directionally, from no more than one pad located in a given quarter-quarter section (or lots or parcels approximately equivalent thereto), unless exception is granted by the Director. Finally, the Order provided that all wells drilled to the Iles Formation shall be drilled only in connection with the drilling of Williams Fork Formation wells. Section 20, Township 9 South, Range 93 West, 6th P.M. is subject to this Order for the Williams Fork and Iles Formations.

On February 28, 2013, Piceance Energy LLC ("Piceance" 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 an approximate 160-acre drilling and spacing unit for the below-described lands ("Application Lands"), for the production of oil, gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Williams Fork and Iles Formations, with the treated interval of the wellbore to be located in accordance with the well location rules established by Order 369-5, without exception being granted by the Director:

Township 9 South, Range 93 West, 6th P.M.
Section 20: NW¼

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 State Administrative Procedure 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, May 6, 2013

Tuesday, May 7, 2013

Time: 9:00 a.m.


Place: Weld County Southwest Services Complex
4209 Weld County Road 24 1/2
Longmont, CO 80501

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 April 22, 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 April 22, 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 April 22, 2013, **the Applicant may request that an administrative hearing be scheduled during the week of April 22.** 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.

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By 

Robert J. Frick, Secretary

Dated: April 5, 2013

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