

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

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| IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF |) | CAUSE NO. 535 |
| CARRIZO OIL AND GAS, INC., FOR AN ORDER TO |) | |
| ESTABLISH AN APPROXIMATE 640-ACRE |) | DOCKET NO. 1306-SP-113 |
| DRILLING UNIT AND APPROVE UP TO THIRTEEN |) | |
| HORIZONTAL WELLS WITHIN THE UNIT FOR |) | |
| SECTION 9, TOWNSHIP 10 NORTH, RANGE 57 |) | |
| WEST, 6 TH P.M. FOR THE NIOBRARA FORMATION, |) | |
| UNNAMED FIELD, 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, on unspaced lands, 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. Section 9, Township 10 North, Range 57 West, 6th P.M. is subject to Rule 318.a. for the Niobrara Formation.

On March 25, 2013, the Commission entered Order No. 535-298 which, among other things, established an approximate 640-acre drilling and spacing unit for Section 16, Township 10 North, Range 57 West, 6th P.M. and approved up to four horizontal wells within the unit. Carrizo Oil & Gas, Inc. ("Carrizo" or "Applicant"), withdrew a timely protest in that matter contingent upon Whiting Oil and Gas Corporation's ("Whiting") agreement to withdraw the S½ of Section 9 from Whiting's Application, and establish a 640-acre drilling and spacing unit for Section 16 only; and to drill any horizontal wells in Section 16, Township 10 North, Range 57 West, 6th P.M. "in a North-South orientation and completed and stimulated within, but no closer than, 100 feet from Sections 9 and 21, Township 10 North, Range 57 West, 6th P.M., so long as the Commission grants to Carrizo the reciprocal right with respect to future wells to be drilled in Sections 9 and 21; and Carrizo agreed not to oppose Whiting's well density requests for up to 16 horizontal wellbores drilled in a North-South orientation in Whiting's Application, contingent upon Whiting's agreement not to oppose Carrizo should it seek comparable well density in Sections 9 and 21, Township 10 North, Range 57 West, 6th P.M."

On April 18, 2013, Carrizo, 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 640-acre drilling and spacing unit for the below-described lands ("Application Lands"), and approve up to thirteen horizontal wells within the unit, for the production of oil, gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Niobrara Formation, with internal wellbores offset by 300 feet and unit boundary setbacks of 600 feet. Applicant further requests that 100 foot "heel-and-toe" completed interval setbacks from the unit boundaries perpendicular to the well laterals apply so long as Applicant obtains exception location approvals pursuant to Rule 318.c. This exception location requirement for reduced unit boundary setbacks shall not apply if superseded by a subsequent Commission Rule or Order. Additionally, this exception shall not apply to "heel-and-toe" unit boundary setbacks from Section 16, Township 10 North, Range 57 West, 6th P.M. because the Commission has, in Order No. 535-298, previously approved reciprocal reduced setbacks from the proposed unit boundary.

Township 10 North, Range 57 West, 6th P.M.
Section 9: All

The proposed wells shall be located on no more than one wellpad per quarter quarter section within the drilling and spacing unit.

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 Procedures Act at §24-4-105 C.R.S.; and 4) the Commission's Series 500 Rules at 2 CCR 404-1, that the Commission has scheduled the above-entitled matter for hearing on:

Date: Monday, June 17, 2013
Tuesday, June 18, 2013

Time: 9:00 a.m.

Place: Two Rivers Convention Center
159 Main Street
Grand Junction, Colorado 81501

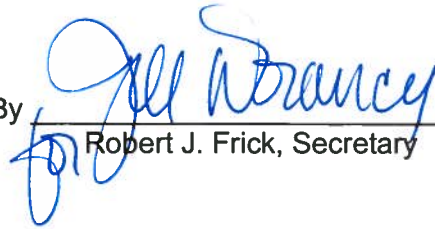
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Pursuant to said hearing in the above-entitled matter at the time and place aforesaid, or at any adjourned meeting, the Commission will enter such orders as it deems appropriate to protect the health, safety and welfare of the public and to prevent 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 3, 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. One electronic, one original and two 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 3, 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 **June 3, 2013, the Applicant may request that an administrative hearing be scheduled beginning June 3, 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.

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By


Robert J. Frick, Secretary

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