

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

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF BILL ) CAUSE NO. 407 & 535  
BARRETT CORPORATION FOR AN ORDER TO POOL )  
ALL INTERESTS IN AN APPROXIMATE 640-ACRE ) DOCKET NO. 1307-UP-152  
DRILLING AND SPACING UNIT FOR SECTION 21, )  
TOWNSHIP 5 NORTH, RANGE 61 WEST, 6<sup>TH</sup> P.M., )  
FOR THE CODELL AND NIOBRARA FORMATIONS, )  
WATTENBERG FIELD, WELD COUNTY, COLORADO )

NOTICE OF HEARING

TO ALL INTERESTED PARTIES AND TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

On February 22, 2011 (Corrected April 4, 2013), the Commission entered Order No. 535-4 which, among other things, established 74 approximate 640-acre drilling and spacing units, and approved one horizontal well within each unit, for the production of oil, gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Niobrara Formation. Section 21, Township 5 North, Range 61 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M. is subject to this Order for the Niobrara Formation.

On October 5, 2006, Bonanza Creek Energy Operating Company, LLC, completed the Pronghorn 31-21 Well (API No. 05-123-29990) ("Well"), having designated an approximate 160-acre drilling and spacing unit for the NE¼ of Section 21, Township 5 North, Range 61 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M. to accommodate the Well, which produces oil, gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Niobrara Formation. Under this Application BBC is not requesting a change to the unit acreage assigned to the Well or the distribution of proceeds from the Well.

On March 7, 2013, Bill Barrett Corporation ("BBC" or "Applicant"), by its attorneys, pursuant to §34-60-116 C.R.S., a concurrent application ("Concurrent Application"), Docket No. 1305-AW-19, for an order to approve seven additional horizontal wells, for a total of up to eight horizontal wells, within an approximate 640-acre drilling and spacing unit established for Section 21, Township 5 North, Range 61 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M., for the production of oil, gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Niobrara Formation

On May 30, 2013, BBC, by its attorneys, filed with the Commission pursuant to §34-60-116 C.R.S., a concurrent application ("Concurrent Application"), Docket No. 1307-SP-1127, for an order to establish an approximate 640-acre drilling and spacing unit for Section 21, Township 5 North, Range 61 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M., and approve up to four horizontal wells within the unit, for the production of oil, gas, and associated hydrocarbons from the Codell Formation.

On May 30, 2013, BBC, by its attorneys, filed with the Commission pursuant to §34-60-116 C.R.S., a verified application ("Application") for an order to pool all interests in an approximate 640-acre drilling and spacing unit established for the below-described lands ("Application Lands"), for the development and operation of the Codell and Niobrara Formations, effective as of the earlier of the date of the Application, or the date that any of the costs specified in C.R.S. §34-60-116(7)(b)(II) were first incurred for the drilling of the initial well or any of the subsequent wells to be drilled within the unit to the Codell Formation, and for the drilling of the initial well or any of the subsequent wells to be drilled within the unit to the Niobrara Formation, and to subject any nonconsenting interests to the cost recovery provisions of C.R.S. §34-60-116(7):

Township 5 North, Range 61 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M.  
Section 21: All

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, July 29, 2013  
Tuesday, July 30, 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 July 15, 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 (cogcc.hearings\_unit@state.co.us), 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 July 15, 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 **July 15, 2013, the Applicant may request that an administrative hearing be scheduled beginning July 15, 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  
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By   
Robert J. Frick, Secretary

Dated: June 21, 2013

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