

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

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF BONANZA ) CAUSE NO. 407 & 535  
CREEK ENERGY OPERATING COMPANY LLC, FOR )  
AN ORDER TO APPROVE UP TO TEN HORIZONTAL ) DOCKET NO. 1309-AW-49  
WELLS IN AN APPROXIMATE 640-ACRE DRILLING )  
AND SPACING UNIT FOR SECTION 3, TOWNSHIP 4 )  
NORTH, RANGE 62 WEST, 6<sup>TH</sup> P.M., FOR THE )  
NIOBRARA FORMATION, 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 Nos. 407-779 and 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 3, Township 4 North, Range 62 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M. is subject to this Order for the Niobrara Formation.

On July 18, 2013, Bonanza Creek Energy Operating Company LLC ("Bonanza 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 approve up to ten horizontal wells within an approximate 640-acre drilling and spacing unit established for the below-described lands ("Application Lands") 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 460 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 4 North, Range 62 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M.  
Section 3: All

The proposed wells shall be located on no more than two wellpads per governmental half-section with wells on each pad to be drilled from surface locations within 50 feet of an adjacent drilled or permitted well, without exception being granted by the Director for good cause, which shall include surface owner consent.

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, September 16, 2013  
Tuesday, September 17, 2013  
Time: 9:00 a.m.  
Place: Colorado Oil and Gas Conservation Commission


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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 August 30, 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 September 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 **August 30, 2013, the Applicant may request that an administrative hearing be scheduled beginning September 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.

OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION COMMISSION  
OF THE STATE OF COLORADO

By   
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Robert J. Frick, Secretary

Dated: August 15, 2013

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