

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

IN THE MATTER OF AN APPLICATION BY) CAUSE NO. 535
CONOCOPHILLIPS COMPANY FOR AN ORDER)
TO POOL ALL INTERESTS IN AN APPROXIMATE) DOCKET NO. 1310-UP-227
1280-ACRE EXPLORATORY DRILLING AND)
SPACING UNIT ESTABLISHED FOR SECTIONS 34)
AND 35, TOWNSHIP 3 SOUTH, RANGE 65 WEST,)
6TH P.M., FOR THE NIOBRARA FORMATION,)
UNNAMED FIELD, ADAMS 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 35, Township 3 South, Range 65 West, 6th P.M. is subject to Rule 318.a. for the Niobrara Formation.

On October 31, 2011, the Commission entered Order No. 535-89 which, among other things, to establish 18 approximate 640-acre drilling and spacing units and approve up to two horizontal wells within each unit, for the production of oil, gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Niobrara Formation, with surface locations being located anywhere within the unit or surrounding lands, but the lateral of such well may not enter the Niobrara Formation any closer than 300 feet from the section line, with the treated interval of the permitted wellbore to be located no closer than 460 feet from the boundary of the unit and no closer than 920 feet from the treated interval of any other well in the unit producing from the Niobrara Formation. Section 34, Township 3 South, Range 65 West, 6th P.M. is subject to this Order for the Niobrara Formation.

On August 29, 2013, ConocoPhillips Company ("ConocoPhillips" or "Applicant"), by its attorneys, filed with the Commission pursuant to §34-60-116 C.R.S., a verified concurrent application ("Concurrent Application"), Docket No. 1310-SP-1204 for an order to vacate an approximate 640-acre drilling and spacing unit established by Order No. 535-89 for Section 34, Township 3 South, Range 65 West, 6th P.M., and establish an approximate 1280-acre exploratory drilling and spacing unit and approve up to two horizontal wells within the unit, for the production of oil, gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Niobrara Formation.

On August 29, 2013, ConocoPhillips, 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 1280-acre exploratory drilling and spacing unit established for the below-described lands ("Application Lands"), for the development and operation of the Niobrara Formation, 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 Reserve 3-65 34 & 35 Well and one other well (API Nos. – to be determined) ("Wells"), and to subject any nonconsenting interests to the cost recovery provisions of C.R.S. §34-60-116(7):

Township 3 South, Range 65 West, 6th P.M.

Section 34: All

Section 35: 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, October 28, 2013
Tuesday, October 29, 2013

Time: 9:00 a.m.

Place: Limon Community Center
477 D Avenue
Limon, Colorado 80236

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 October 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. 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 October 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 **October 11, 2013, the Applicant may request that an administrative hearing be scheduled beginning October 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: October 7, 2013

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