

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

IN THE MATTER OF THE PROMULGATION AND ) CAUSE NO. 535  
ESTABLISHMENT OF FIELD RULES TO GOVERN )  
OPERATIONS FOR THE NIOBRARA ) DOCKET NO. 1406-SP-2074  
FORMATION, UNNAMED FIELD, WELD COUNTY, )  
COLORADO )

NOTICE OF HEARING

TO ALL INTERESTED PARTIES AND TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

APPLICATION LANDS

Township 10 North, Range 58 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M.  
Section 6: ALL (Lots 1-7, S $\frac{1}{2}$  NE $\frac{1}{4}$ , SE $\frac{1}{4}$  NW $\frac{1}{4}$ , E $\frac{1}{2}$  SW $\frac{1}{4}$ , SE $\frac{1}{4}$ )  
Section 7: N $\frac{1}{2}$  (Lots 1, 2, E $\frac{1}{2}$  NW $\frac{1}{4}$ , NE $\frac{1}{4}$ )

APPLICATION

On April 21, 2014, Whiting Oil and Gas Corporation ("Whiting" or "Applicant") filed a verified application pursuant to §34-60-116, C.R.S. for an order to:

- 1) Establish an approximate 960-acre drilling and spacing unit for the Niobrara Formation;
- 2) Approve up to 16 horizontal wells within the unit; and
- 3) Require the productive interval of the horizontal wellbore to be no closer than 200 feet from the productive interval of any other wellbore producing from the Niobrara Formation, and no closer than 100 feet from a unit boundary unless such boundary abuts or corners lands for which the Commission has not at the time of the drilling permit application granted the right to locate the productive interval of the wellbore no closer than 100 feet from a unit boundary, without exception being granted by the Director. If the Commission has not at the time of the drilling permit application granted to the owners of the adjacent or cornering lands the right to locate the productive interval of the wellbore no closer than 100 feet from a unit boundary, then the productive interval of the wellbore shall be located no closer than the distance permitted in the adjacent or cornering lands.

PRIOR RULES AND ORDERS

(available online at: <http://cogcc.state.co.us>, under "ORDERS")

Rule 318.a. requires that, for 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.

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 16, 2014  
Tuesday, June 17, 2014


Time: 9:00 a.m.

Place: Rifle Branch Library  
Garfield County Public Library District  
207 East Avenue  
Rifle, CO 81650

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.

At hearing, the Commission will consider the Application and enter an order pursuant to its authority under the statute. **Any interested party desiring to protest or intervene should file with the Commission a written protest or intervention in accordance with Rule 509., no later than June 2, 2014.** 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 June 2, 2014.** Pursuant to Rule 511., if the matter is uncontested, it may be approved without a hearing, based on review of the merits of the verified application and supporting exhibits.

OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION COMMISSION  
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By   
Robert J. Frick, Secretary

Dated: May 9, 2014

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