

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 CODELL AND ) DOCKET NO. 150300118  
NIOBRARA FORMATIONS, UNNAMED FIELD, )  
WELD COUNTY, COLORADO ) TYPE: SPACING

NOTICE OF HEARING

TO ALL INTERESTED PARTIES AND TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

APPLICATION LANDS

Township 9 North, Range 57 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M.

Section 20: E½NE¼

Section 21: All

APPLICATION

On December 23, 2014, Whiting Oil and Gas Corporation (Operator No. 96155) ("Whiting" or "Applicant") filed a verified application pursuant to §34-60-116, C.R.S., for an order to:

- 1) Vacate two approximate 640-acre drilling and spacing units established by Order Nos. 535-42 and 535-73 for Sections 20 and 21, Township 9 North, Range 57 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M.;
- 2) Establish an approximate 720-acre drilling and spacing unit for the Application Lands, for the production of oil, gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Codell and Niobrara Formations;
- 3) Approve up to 32 horizontal wells within the unit; and
- 4) Require the productive interval of the wellbore to be located no closer than 100 feet from the unit boundaries, and no closer than 100 feet from the productive interval of any other wellbore located in the unit.
- 5) Applicant requests that the wells are drilled from no more than four well pads within the unit.

APPLICABLE RULES AND ORDERS

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

- 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. Sections 20 and 21, Township 9 North, Range 57 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M. are subject to this Rule for the Codell Formation.

- On June 27, 2011, the Commission entered Order No. 535-42 which established eight 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.
- On September 19, 2011, the Commission entered Order No. 535-73 which established four approximate 640-acre drilling and spacing units and authorized one well within each unit, for the production of oil, gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Niobrara Formation. Section 21, Township 9 North, Range 57 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M. is subject to this Order for the Niobrara Formation.

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, March 2, 2015  
Tuesday, March 3, 2015

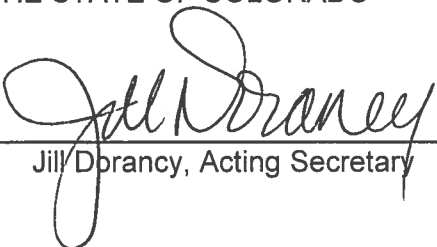
Time: 9:00 a.m.

Place: Colorado Oil and Gas Conservation Commission  
1120 Lincoln St., Suite 801  
Denver, Colorado 80203

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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 February 13, 2015. 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 February 13, 2015. Pursuant to Rule 511, if the matter is uncontested, it may be approved without a hearing.

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By   
Jill Dorancy, Acting Secretary

Dated: February 3, 2015

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