

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

IN THE MATTER OF ALLEGED VIOLATIONS OF ) CAUSE NO. 1V  
THE RULES AND REGULATIONS OF THE )  
COLORADO OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION ) DOCKET NO. 150900350  
COMMISSION BY **NORTHSTAR RESOURCES,** ) TYPE: ENFORCEMENT  
**INC., MESA COUNTY, COLORADO** )

NOTICE AND APPLICATION FOR HEARING

TO ALL INTERESTED PARTIES AND TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

Pursuant to Rule 522.d, the Colorado Oil and Gas Conservation Commission ("Commission" or "COGCC") Staff will apply to the Commission at its September 14-15, 2015 hearing for an Order Finding Violation ("OFV") against **Northstar Resources, Inc.** ("Northstar") (Operator No. 64300). This Notice and Application is being served to adjudicate the allegations made in the below-described Notice of Alleged Violation ("NOAV"), the allegations of which are incorporated herein.

Northstar is the operator of the Federal 32-3 Well (API No. 05-077-08122) ("Well") located in Mesa County, Colorado. Commission records indicate that the Well has been shut-in since May 7, 1978. On August 20, 2014, a COGCC Field Inspection (No. 675200428) found that a Mechanical Integrity Test ("MIT") was not completed within two years of shut-in status and required proof of a MIT by August 21, 2014. Northstar did not submit proof of a passing MIT. Northstar also failed to submit Form 7 Operator's Monthly Report of Operations within 45 days after the end of each month.

On April 29, 2015, Commission Staff issued a Notice of Alleged Violation ("NOAV") (No. 200428783) to Northstar for violations related to failure to perform a passing MIT and submit monthly reports of operation as described above. The NOAV cited multiple violations of the following COGCC Rules of Practice and Procedure, 2 CCR 404-1 ("Rule" or "Rules"), including:

- a. Rule 309 (Operator's Monthly Report of Operations)
- b. Rule 326.b. (Mechanical Integrity Testing, Shut-in Wells)

COGCC staff requests that Northstar be found in violation of the rules cited above and assessed a penalty pursuant to Rule 523.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, pursuant to: 1) the general jurisdiction granted to the Oil and Gas Conservation Commission of the State of Colorado (Commission) under § 34-60-105 C.R.S.; 2) specific powers granted pursuant to § 34-60-106 C.R.S.; 3) the Colorado 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 14, 2015  
Tuesday, September 15, 2015

Time: 9:00 a.m.

Place: Western State Colorado University  
University Center, South Ballroom  
600 North Adams Street  
Gunnison, Colorado 81231

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 31, 2015, briefly stating the basis of the protest or intervention. One electronic, 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 August 31, 2015.

OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION COMMISSION  
OF THE STATE OF COLORADO

By  \_\_\_\_\_  
Julie Murphy, Secretary

Dated: July 31, 2015

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