

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

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF  
GREAT WESTERN OPERATING COMPANY,  
LLC FOR AN ORDER TO ESTABLISH AN  
APPROXIMATE 640-ACRE EXPLORATORY  
DRILLING AND SPACING UNIT WITH WELL  
LOCATION RULES FOR THE CODELL AND  
NIOBRARA FORMATIONS IN SECTION 22,  
TOWNSHIP 8 NORTH, RANGE 66 WEST, 6<sup>TH</sup>  
P.M., PIERCE FIELD, WELD COUNTY,  
COLORADO

CAUSE NO. 407

DOCKET NO. 151200695

TYPE: SPACING

**AMENDED APPLICATION**

COMES NOW Great Western Operating Company, LLC (Operator No. 10110) ("Applicant"), by and through its attorneys, Burleson LLP, respectfully submits this Application to the Oil and Gas Conservation Commission of the State of Colorado (the "Commission") for an order to establish an approximate 640-acre exploratory drilling and spacing unit and authorize one (1) horizontal well in order to efficiently and economically recover the oil, gas and associated hydrocarbons within said 640-acre drilling and spacing unit from the Codell and Niobrara Formations underlying the below-described lands. In support of its Application, Applicant states and alleges as follows:

1. Applicant is a corporation duly authorized to conduct business in the State of Colorado, and is a registered operator in good standing with the Commission.

2. Applicant owns leasehold interests or holds the right to operate on the following lands (hereafter "Application Lands"):

Township 8 North, Range 66 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M.  
Section 22: All

640 acres, more or less, Weld County, Colorado.

A reference map of the Application Lands is attached hereto.

3. 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. The Application Lands are subject to Rule 318.a. for the Codell and Niobrara Formations.

4. The records of the Commission reflect that no wells have been drilled to, are currently producing from, or have produced from the Codell or Niobrara Formation in the Application Lands.

5. To promote efficient drainage within the Codell and Niobrara Formations of the Application Lands, to protect correlative rights and to avoid waste, the Commission should establish an approximate 640-acre exploratory drilling and spacing unit for Section 22, Township 8 North, Range 66 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M. for the production of oil, gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Codell and Niobrara Formations.

6. That the above-proposed drilling and spacing unit will allow efficient drainage of the Codell and Niobrara Formations; will prevent waste; will not adversely affect correlative rights and will assure the greatest ultimate recovery of gas and associated hydrocarbon substances from the reservoirs. The unit of the size and shape specified above is not smaller than the maximum area that can be economically and efficiently drained by the proposed well in the unit.

7. That the Applicant is requesting to drill and complete one (1) horizontal well within the unit in order to efficiently and economically recover the oil, gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Codell and Niobrara Formations within the approximate 640-acre exploratory drilling and spacing unit composed of Section 22, Township 8 North, Range 66 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M., and that there will be no adverse effect on correlative rights of adjacent owners.

8. The Applicant maintains that there will be no more than one (1) new well pad in the unit, unless an exception is granted by the Director.

9. The treated interval of each proposed horizontal well shall be no closer than **330** feet from the boundaries of the unit (regardless of the lease lines within the unit) and all horizontal wells shall be no closer than 150 feet from the treated interval of another well producing from the same source of supply within the unit, unless an exception is granted by the Director.

10. The undersigned certifies that copies of this Application will be served on each interested party within seven (7) days of the filing hereof, as required by Rule 503.e.

WHEREFORE, Applicant respectfully requests that this matter be set for hearing at the next available opportunity, that notice be given as required by law, and that upon such hearing this Commission enter its order:

A. Establishing an approximate 640-acre exploratory drilling and spacing unit for Section 22, Township 8 North, Range 66 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M. and allowing one (1) horizontal well in the unit in order to efficiently and economically develop and

recover the oil, gas and associated hydrocarbons from of the Codell and Niobrara Formations in the unit.

B. Providing that the treated interval any horizontal well shall be no closer than **330** feet from the boundaries of the unit and not less than 150 feet from the treated interval of another well within the unit, and authorizing up to one (1) new well pad in the unit, unless an exception is granted by the Director.

C. Finding that an approximate 640-acre exploratory drilling and spacing unit for the development of the Codell and Niobrara Formations on the Application Lands will prevent waste, protect correlative rights, and maximize the efficient and economic production of the Codell and Niobrara Formations in Section 22, Township 8 North, Range 66 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M.


D. For such other findings and orders as the Commission may deem proper or advisable in this matter.

WHEREFORE, Applicant respectfully requests that this matter be set for hearing in **January 2016**, that notice be given as required by law, and that upon such hearing, the Commission enter its order consistent with Applicant's request as set forth above.

DATED **December** 9th, 2015.

Respectfully submitted:

**Great Western Operating Company, LLC**


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VERIFICATION

STATE OF COLORADO                    )  
  ) ss.  
CITY AND COUNTY OF DENVER        )

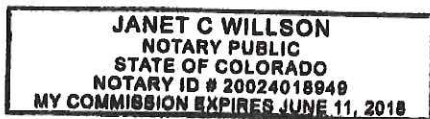
Santiago Rodriguez, of lawful age, being first duly sworn upon oath, deposes and says that he is Senior Landman for Great Western Operating Company, LLC, and that he has read the foregoing Application and that the matters therein contained are true to the best of his knowledge, information and belief.

  
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Santiago Rodriguez  
Senior Landman  
Great Western Operating Company, LLC


Subscribed and sworn to before me this 9<sup>th</sup> day of December 2015.

Witness my hand and official seal.

[SEAL]



My commission expires: 6/11/2018

  
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Notary Public

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**AFFIDAVIT OF MAILING**

STATE OF COLORADO )  
 ) ss.  
CITY AND COUNTY OF DENVER )

I, Jamie L. Jost of lawful age, and being first duly sworn upon my oath, state and declare that I am the attorney for Great Western Operating Company, LLC, and that on or before the 9th day of **December** 2015, I caused a copy of the attached Application to be deposited in the United States Mail, postage prepaid, addressed to the parties listed on Exhibit A to the Application.

*Jamie L. Jost*

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Jamie L. Jost

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 9th day of **December** 2015.

Witness my hand and official seal.

RACHEL FLEMING  
NOTARY PUBLIC  
STATE OF COLORADO  
NOTARY ID 20144025048  
MY COMMISSION EXPIRES JUNE 24, 2018

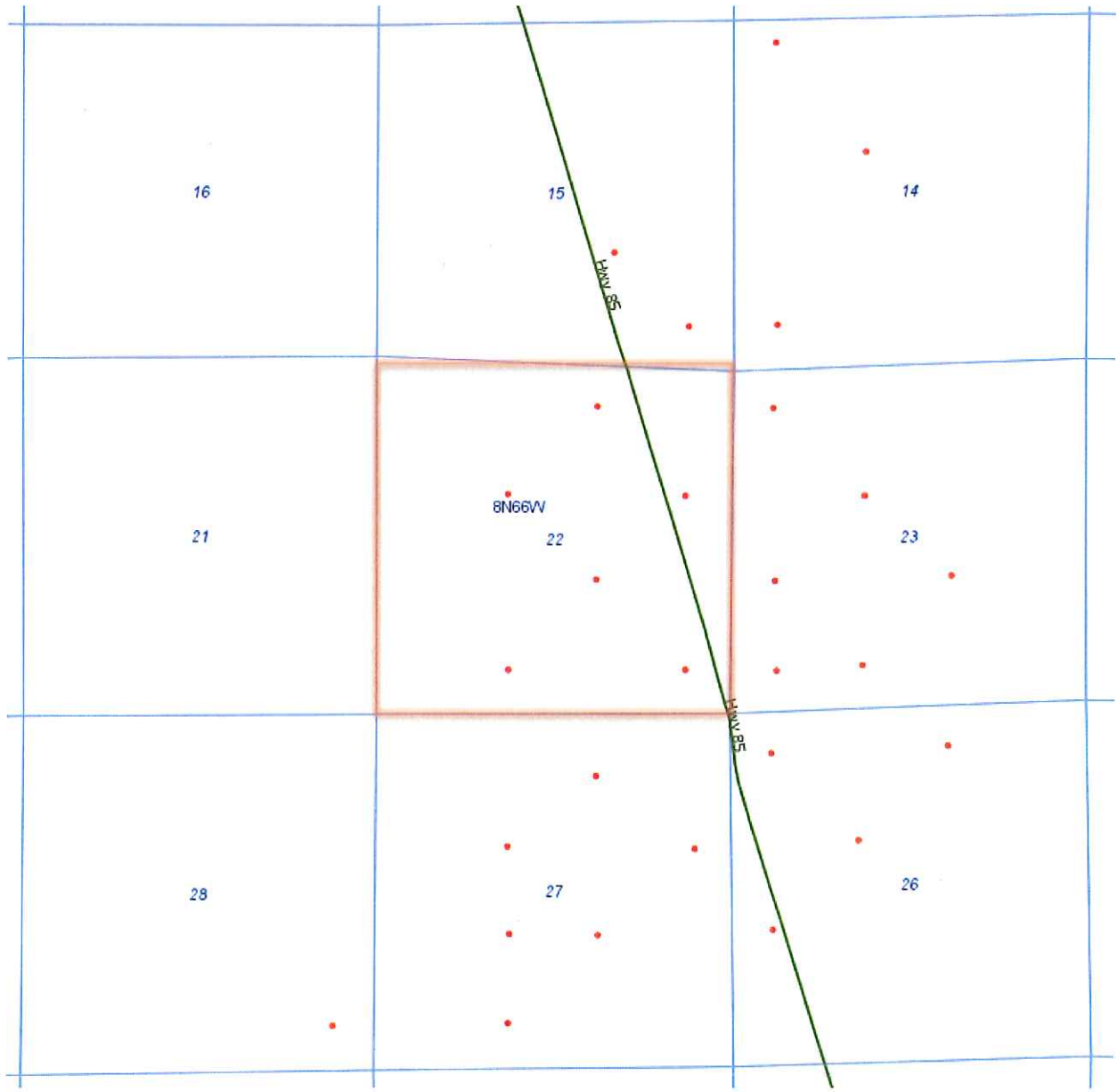
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My commission expires: June 24, 2018

*Rachel Fleming*  
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Notary Public

Reference Map  
Great Western Operating Company, LLC

Section 22, Township 8 North, Range 66 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M.



**Exhibit A**  
**SP – T8N-R66W Sec. 22 All - 640-acre**

Great Western Operating  
Company, LLC  
1801 Broadway, Suite 500  
Denver, CO 80202

Titan Oil and Gas, LLC  
1801 Broadway, Suite 500  
Denver, CO 80202

Fairway Resources, Inc.  
475 17<sup>th</sup> Street, Suite 1600  
Denver, CO 80202

Wilbanks Acquisitions II, LLC  
1610 Wynkoop Street, Suite 200  
Denver, CO 80202

Miller Oil & Gas Assets II, LLC  
P.O. Box 3193  
Englewood, CO 80155

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P.O. Box 3193  
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P.O. Box 758  
Greeley, CO 80634

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1099 18<sup>th</sup> St., Suite 1800  
Denver, CO 80202

Anadarko E&P Onshore, LLC  
1099 18<sup>th</sup> St., Suite 1800  
Denver, CO 80202

Anadarko Minerals, Inc.  
1099 18<sup>th</sup> St., Suite 1800  
Denver, CO 80202

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Denver, CO 80202

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4300 Cherry Creek Drive South  
Denver, CO 80246-1530

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Energy Liaison  
Colorado Parks and Wildlife  
Northeast Regional Office  
6060 Broadway  
Denver, CO 80216

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Weld County  
Department of Planning Services  
1555 North 17<sup>th</sup> Avenue  
Greeley, CO 80631

**Supplemental:**

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Colorado State Office  
Bureau of Land Management  
2850 Youngfield Street  
Lakewood, CO 80215