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

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF	)	
CATAMOUNT ENERGY PARTNERS LLC FOR	)	CAUSE NO.: 112
AN ORDER POOLING NONCONSENTING	)	
INTERESTS IN THE FRUITLAND COAL	)	DOCKET NO.: 151200702
SEAMS COVERING CERTAIN LANDS IN	)	
SECTION 32 OF TOWNSHIP 33 NORTH,	)	TYPE: POOLING
RANGE 5 WEST, N.M.P.M., ARCHULETA	)	
COUNTY, COLORADO.	)	

#### APPLICATION

Catamount Energy Partners LLC ("Catamount" or "Applicant"), Operator No. 10464, by and through its attorneys, Welborn Sullivan Meck & Tooley, P.C., respectfully submits this Application to the Oil and Gas Conservation Commission of the State of Colorado ("Commission" or "COGCC") for an order pooling all non-consenting interests in an approximate 320-acre drilling and spacing unit established in the E½ of Section 32, Township 33 North, Range 5 West, N.M.P.M., Archuleta County, Colorado for the development and production from the Fruitland coal seams. In support thereof, the Applicant states as follows:

- 1. Applicant is a corporation duly authorized to conduct business in the State of Colorado.
- 2. Applicant owns a leasehold interest in the following lands ("Application Lands"):

Township 33 North, Range 5 West, N.M.P.M. Section 32: E½

Archuleta County, Colorado.

A reference map of the Application Lands is attached hereto.

3. On June 17, 1988, the Commission entered Order No. 112-60, which established 320-acre drilling and spacing units covering certain lands in Archuleta County, Colorado, with the units consisting of the  $N\frac{1}{2}$  and  $S\frac{1}{2}$  or the  $E\frac{1}{2}$  and  $W\frac{1}{2}$  of each section with the permitted well located, when north of the north line of Township 32 North, in the  $NE\frac{1}{4}$  and  $SE\frac{1}{4}$  of the section, and south of the north line of Township 32 North, in the  $NE\frac{1}{4}$  and  $SW\frac{1}{4}$  of the section, and no closer than 990 feet to any outer boundary of the unit and no closer than 130 feet to any interior quarter section line for the production of gas from the Fruitland Coal Seams. The Application Lands are subject to this Order.

- 4. On August 15, 1988, the Commission entered Order No. 112-61, which amended parts of Order No. 112-60 and established additional rules for the production of coalbed methane. The Application Lands are subject to this Order.
- 5. On December 17, 1990, the Commission entered Order No. 112-85 (corrected November 1999), which approved two additional field rules established for all wells producing from the Dakota, Mesaverde, Fruitland Pictured Cliffs, and Fruitland Coal formations to further protect the health, safety and welfare of citizens in the area. The Application Lands are subject to this Order.
- 6. On July 16, 2015, Applicant filed an application in Docket No. 150900522 for an order designating a 320-acre drilling and spacing unit pursuant to Order No. 112-85 covering the Application Lands and modifying Order No. 112-85 as it pertains to the Application Lands to allow two horizontal wells within the unit, reduce the existing unit boundary setback to 660 feet between the treated interval of each wellbore and the unit boundary, and vacate the interior quarter-section setback. No protests were filed in Docket No. 150900522, which is set to be heard at the October 26, 2015 COGCC hearing.
- 7. Applicant plans to drill and complete the Lamke 33-5-29 #1 well (API# Pending) with an anticipated spud date of February 15, 2016, in the E½ of Section 32, Township 33 North, Range 5 West, N.M.P.M., Archuleta County, Colorado with a surface location of 530 feet FSL and 199 feet FEL in Section 29. The above-described well is designed to test and produce gas and associated substances from the Fruitland coal seams underlying the Application Lands.
- 8. Applicant certifies that, at least 35 days prior to the date of the scheduled protest deadline for this Application, each owner which Applicant was able to locate, not already leased or voluntarily pooled, will be provided with the well proposal and information required by Rule 530 and tendered a reasonable offer to lease (if an unleased mineral owner), or participate and bear costs associated with the drilling and completion of the Lamke 33-5-29 #1 well.
- 9. Applicant requests that a pooling order be entered as a result of this Application and that it be made effective as of the earlier of the date of this Application, or the date costs specified in Section 34-60-116(7)(b)(II), C.R.S., are first incurred for the drilling of the Lamke 33-5-29 #1 well.
- 10. The granting of this Application would be in accord with the Oil and Gas Conservation Act, found at Section 34-60-101, et seq., C.R.S., and Commission rules.
- 11. The names and addresses of the interested parties (persons who own an interest in the mineral estate of the tracts to be pooled, except owners of overriding royalty interest) are attached hereto and marked Exhibit A. Applicant certifies that copies of this Application will be served on all locatable interested parties within seven (7) days of the date hereof, as required by Commission Rule 507.b(2), and that at least thirty (35) days prior to the date of the scheduled protest deadline for this Application, each such owner not already leased or voluntarily pooled will be offered the opportunity to lease, or to participate in the drilling of the respective wells, and will be provided with the information required by Rule 530.

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

- A. Providing that the pooling order is made effective as of the date of this Application, or the date that the costs specified in Section 34-60-116(7)(b)(II), C.R.S., are first incurred for the drilling of the Applicant's proposed Lamke 33-5-29 #1 well on the Application Lands, whichever is earlier;
- B. Providing that the interests of any owners, with whom the Applicant has been unable to secure a lease or other agreement to participate in the drilling of the Lamke 33-5-29 #1 well, are pooled by operation of statute, pursuant to Section 34-60-116(7), C.R.S., and made subject to the cost recovery provisions thereof; and
- C. For such other findings and orders as the Commission may deem proper or advisable in the premises.

Dated this 8th day of October, 2015

Respectfully submitted,

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### **VERIFICATION**

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

Jared Rush, Senior Landman with Catamount Energy Partners LLC, upon oath deposes and says that he has read the foregoing Application and that the statements contained therein are true to the best of his knowledge, information and belief.

CATAMOUNT ENERGY PARTNERS LLC

Jared Rush, Senior Landman

Subscribed and sworn to before me this  $9^{th}$  day of October, 2015 by Jared Rush, Regional Landman for Catamount Energy Partners LLC.

Witness my hand and official seal.

JOHN THIEL III

NOTARY PUBLIC

STATE OF COLORADO

NOTARY ID 20144039744

MY COMMISSION EXPIRES OCTOBER 10, 2018

Notary Public

My Commission Expires:

#### **EXHIBIT A**

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STATE OF COLORADO §		
CITY AND COUNTY OF DENVER §		
I, Joseph C. Pierzchala, of lawful age, and be declare:	eing first du	ıly sworn upon my oath, state and
That I am the attorney for Catamount Energy 14, 2015, I caused a copy of the attached Application		

Subscribed and sworn to before me October 15, 2015

postage prepaid, addressed to the parties listed on Exhibit A to the Application.

Witness my hand and official seal.

MELISSA A. MORMAN **NOTARY PUBLIC** STATE OF COLORADO NOTARY ID 19894012434 MUSSA D. Moment
Notary Public
My commission expires: 8/24/2017