

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

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF)	Cause No. 535
WHITING OIL AND GAS CORPORATION FOR)	
AN ORDER ESTABLISHING AN APPROXIMATE)	Docket No. 161000464
960-ACRE DRILLING AND SPACING UNIT AND)	
ESTABLISHING WELL LOCATION RULES)	Type: SPACING AND
APPLICABLE TO THE DRILLING AND)	INCREASED DENSITY
PRODUCING OF WELLS FROM THE DAKOTA)	
D-SAND FORMATION COVERING CERTAIN) .	
LANDS IN SECTIONS 29 AND 32, TOWNSHIP)	
10 NORTH, RANGE 57 WEST, 6TH P.M.,)	
UNNAMED FIELD, WELD COUNTY,)	
COLORADO.	·	

AMENDED APPLICATION

Whiting Oil and Gas Corporation ("Applicant"), Operator No. 96155, by and through its attorneys, Welborn Sullivan Meck & Tooley, P.C., respectfully submits this **Amended** Application to the Oil and Gas Conservation Commission of the State of Colorado ("Commission") for an order establishing an approximate 960-acre drilling and spacing unit and establishing well location rules applicable to the drilling of wells and producing of oil, gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Dakota D-Sand Formation covering the S½ of Section 29 and all of Section 32, Township 10 North, Range 57 West, 6th P.M., Weld County, Colorado. In support of its **Amended** Application, Applicant states as follows:

1. Applicant owns leasehold interests in the following lands ("Application Lands"):

Township 10 North, Range 57 West, 6th P.M.

Section 29: S½
Section 32: All

A reference map of the Application Lands is attached hereto.

- 2. Rule 318.a. provides that a well drilled in excess of 2,500 feet in depth shall be located not less than 600 feet from any lease line, and shall be located not less than 1,200 feet from any other producible or drilling oil or gas well when drilling to the same source of supply, unless authorized by order of the Commission upon hearing. The Application Lands are subject to this Rule for the Dakota D-Sand Formation.
- 3. The Dakota D-Sand Formation is a common source of supply under the Application Lands comprised of the Graneros Shale through the Huntsman Shale Formations and defined as the stratigraphic equivalent of the interval between 6194 feet (top of the Graneros

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Shale) and 6375 feet (base of the Huntsman) as found in the Horsetail 19N-1924M Well located in Section 19, Township 10 North, Range 58 West, 6th P.M., Weld County, Colorado.

7. To promote efficient drainage of the Dakota D-Sand Formation within the Application Lands, to protect correlative rights and to avoid waste, the Commission should establish an approximate 960-acre drilling and spacing unit covering the Application Lands as described below for the production of oil, gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Dakota D-Sand Formation:

Township 10 North, Range 57 West, 6th P.M.

Section 29: S½
Section 32: All

- 8. Applicant is requesting to drill and complete one (1) horizontal well in the approximate 960-acre drilling and spacing unit described above, with the option to drill and complete up to a total of four (4) horizontal wells in the unit for production of oil, gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Dakota D-Sand Formation in the Application Lands with the surface location to be located at a legal location in the above-described drilling and spacing unit or on adjacent lands. Applicant further requests that the treated interval of each wellbore be no closer than 100 feet from the treated interval of any other wellbore producing from the Dakota D-Sand Formation, and no closer than 600 feet from a unit boundary, without exception being granted by the Director.
- 9. Applicant requests authority to drill only those wells necessary to determine the well density which allows the most efficient drainage of the Dakota D-Sand Formation, prevents waste, does not adversely affect correlative rights, and assures the greatest ultimate recovery of oil, gas and associated hydrocarbon substances from the Dakota D-Sand Formation. The proposed drilling and spacing unit is not smaller than the maximum area that can be economically and efficiently drained by the authorized wells in such drilling and spacing unit. Applicant further maintains that wells drilled in the above-proposed drilling and spacing units will have no adverse effect on correlative rights of adjacent owners.
- 10. Applicant further requests that the wells are drilled from no more than four well pads within each unit.
- 11. The names and addresses of the interested parties according to the information and belief of the Applicant are set forth in <u>Exhibit A</u> attached hereto and made a part hereof, and the undersigned certifies that copies of this Application shall be served on each interested party within seven days after filing of the original application as required by Rules 503.e, 507.b.(1), and 507.c.

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 consistent with Applicant's proposals as set forth above.

Dated this 2nd day of November, 2016.

Respectfully submitted,

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<u>VERIFICATION</u>

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

Scott McDaniel, Regional Landman with Whiting Oil and Gas Corporation, 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.

WHITING OIL AND GAS CORPORATION

Scott McDaniel, Regional Landman

Subscribed and sworn to before me this <u>15+</u> day of November, 2016 by Scott McDaniel, Regional Landman for Whiting Oil and Gas Corporation.

Witness my hand and official seal.

MICHELLE MURPHY
NOTARY PUBLIC
STATE OF COLORADO
NOTARY ID # 20154023719
MY COMMISSION EXPIRES JUNE 16, 2019

Notary Public

My Commission Expires:

EXHIBIT A

INTERESTED PARTIES

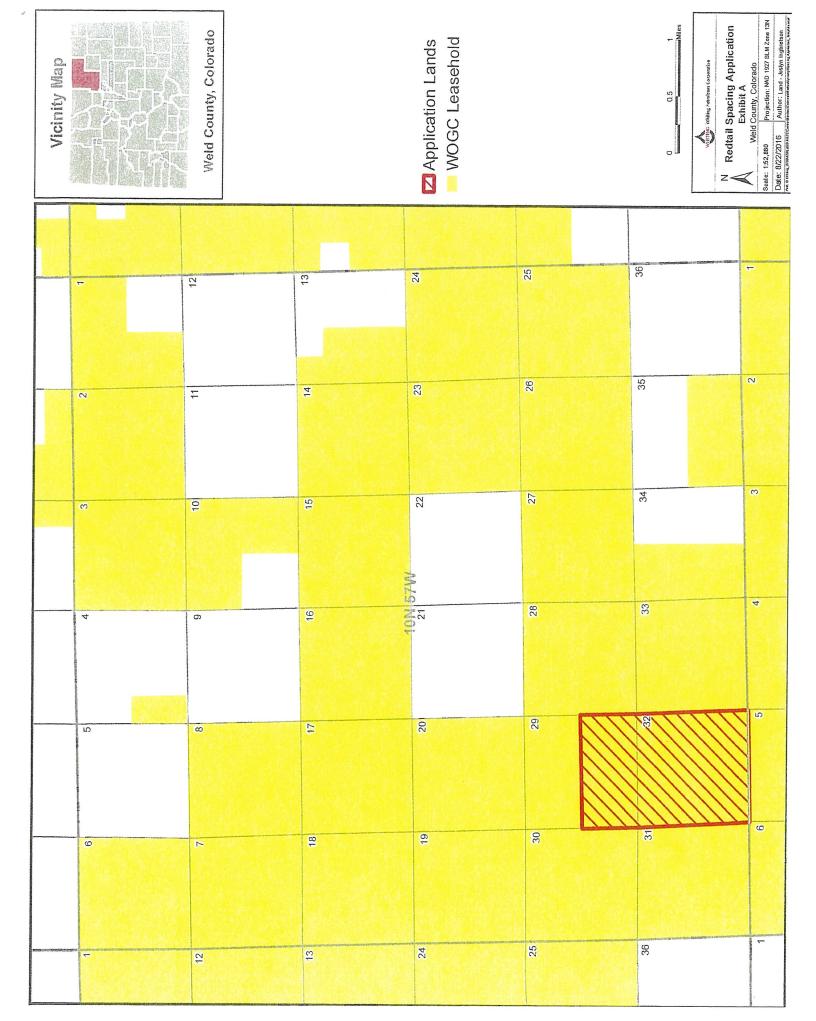
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Working Interest Owners

Whiting Oil and Gas Corporation



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STATE OF COLORADO CITY AND COUNTY OF DENVER

I, Joseph C. Pierzchala, of lawful age, and being first duly sworn upon my oath, state and declare:

That I am the attorney for Whiting Oil and Gas Corporation and that on or before November 3, 2016, I caused a copy of the attached Amended Application to be deposited in the United States mail, postage prepaid, addressed to the parties listed on Exhibit A to the Amended Application.

Subscribed and sworn to before me November 3, 2016.

Witness my hand and official seal.

MELISSA A. MORMAN NOTARY PUBLIC STATE OF COLORADO NOTARY ID 19894012434 MY COMMISSION EXPIRES AUGUST 29, 2017

Notary Public
My commission expires: 7/34/3017