

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. 160100026  
NIOBRARA FORMATIONS, UNNAMED FIELD, )  
WELD COUNTY, COLORADO ) TYPE: EXCEPTION LOCATION

NOTICE OF HEARING

TO ALL INTERESTED PARTIES AND TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

APPLICATION LANDS

Township 9 North, Range 58 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M.

Section 5: All

Section 6: All

APPLICATION

On November 24, 2015, Noble Energy, Inc. (Operator No. 100322) ("Noble" or "Applicant"), filed a verified application pursuant to §34-60-116, C.R.S. for an order to:

1) Modify Order No. 535-478, to allow for 300-foot setbacks for the southern boundary of the unit established for Sections 5 and 6, Township 9 North, Range 58 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M., for the production of oil, gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Codell and Niobrara Formations.

APPLICABLE RULES AND ORDERS

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

- On May 6, 2013, the Commission entered Order No. 535-335, which among other things, vacated two approximate 640-acre drilling and spacing units established by Order No. 535-3 for Sections 5 and 6, Township 9 North, Range 58 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M. and established an approximate 1280-acre drilling and spacing unit, for the production of oil and gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Niobrara Formation, with the productive intervals to be located no closer than 600 feet from the unit boundaries, without exception being granted by the Director.
- On April 28, 2014, the Commission entered Order No. 535-478, which among other things, modified the approximate 1,286.95-acre drilling and spacing unit established by Order No. 535-335 for Sections 5 and 6, Township 9 North, Range 58 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M., to establish the Codell and Niobrara Formations as the spaced formations and approve up to 14 horizontal wells within the unit, and reduce setbacks from 600 feet to 300 feet along the northern, eastern and western exterior boundary lines. Applicant requests that Order No. 535-478 be modified to allow for 300-foot setbacks for the southern boundary within the unit.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, pursuant to §§ 34-60-101 to -130, C.R.S. and the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, 2 CCR 404-1, that the Commission has

scheduled this matter for hearing on:

Dates: January 26-27, 2016

Time: 9:00 a.m.

Place: Colorado Oil and Gas Conservation Commission  
The Chancery Building  
1120 Lincoln Street, Suite 801  
Denver, CO 80203


Additional information about the hearing on this Application will be in the Commission's Agenda, which is posted on the Commission website approximately 3 days before the hearing.

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.

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 January 12, 2016.** 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 January 12, 2016.** Pursuant to Rule 511., if the matter is uncontested, it may be approved without a hearing.

OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION COMMISSION  
OF THE STATE OF COLORADO

By \_\_\_\_\_

  
Julie Murphy, Secretary

Dated: December 16, 2015

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