

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

IN THE MATTER OF THE PROMULGATION AND ) CAUSE NO. 407  
ESTABLISHMENT OF FIELD RULES TO GOVERN )  
OPERATIONS FOR THE NIOBRARA AND CODELL ) DOCKET NO. 160400185  
FORMATIONS, WATTENBERG FIELD, WELD )  
COUNTY, COLORADO ) TYPE: POOLING

NOTICE OF HEARING

TO ALL INTERESTED PARTIES AND TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

APPLICATION LANDS

Township 4 North, Range 67 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M.

Section 16: W $\frac{1}{2}$ W $\frac{1}{2}$

Section 17: E $\frac{1}{2}$ E $\frac{1}{2}$

**Wellbore Spacing Unit ("WSU") Nos. 1 thru 2 – 310.683 acres**

Lajco 17U-203 Well (Niobrara Formation)

Lajco 17U-343 Well (Niobrara Formation)

Township 4 North, Range 67 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M.

Section 17: E $\frac{1}{2}$ W $\frac{1}{2}$ , W $\frac{1}{2}$ E $\frac{1}{2}$

**WSU Nos. 3 thru 4 – 452.547 acres**

Lajco 17M-323 Well (Niobrara Formation)

Lajco 17M-423 Well (Codell Formation)

APPLICATION

On February 18, 2016, PDC Energy, Inc. (Operator No. 69175) ("PDC" or "Applicant") filed a verified application pursuant to § 34-60-116 C.R.S. for an order to:

- 1) Pool all interests in two approximate 310.683-acre and two approximate 452.547-acre horizontal wellbore spacing units established for the Application Lands, for the development and operation of the Niobrara and Codell Formations; and
- 2) Subject any nonconsenting interests to the cost recovery provisions of § 34-60-116(7), C.R.S. effective as of the earlier of the date of the Application, or the drilling of the Lajco 17U-203 Well (API No. 05-123-42227), the Lajco 17U-343 Well (API No. 05-123-42233), the Lajco 17M-323 Well (API No. 05-123-42231), and the Lajco 17M-423 Well (API No. 05-123-42230).

**PRIOR RULES AND ORDERS**

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

- On April 27, 1998, the Commission adopted Rule 318A, the Greater Wattenberg Area Special Well Location, Spacing and Unit Designation Rule.
- On February 19, 1992 (amended August 20, 1993), the Commission entered Order No. 407-87 which established 80-acre drilling and spacing units for the production of oil, gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Codell and Niobrara Formations, with the permitted well locations in accordance with the provisions of Order No. 407-1.

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: April 18-19, 2016  
Time: 9:00 a.m.  
Place: Trinidad State Junior College  
600 Prospect Street  
Pioneer Room in the Sullivan Center  
Trinidad, CO 81082


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 April 4, 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](mailto: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 April 4, 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: March 3, 2016

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