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 CODELL AND NIOBRARA) DOCKET NO. 170100027
FORMATIONS, WATTENBERG FIELD, WELD	j
COUNTY, COLORADO) TYPE: ADDITIONAL WELLS

NOTICE OF HEARING

TO ALL INTERESTED PARTIES AND TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

<u>APPLICATION LANDS</u>

Township 3 North, Range 68 West, 6th P.M. Section 11: All

APPLICATION

On December 1, 2016, Great Western Operating Company, LLC ("Great Western" or "Applicant") filed a verified application pursuant to §34-60-116, C.R.S., for an order:

- 1) Approving up to seventeen (17) wells in order to efficiently and economically recover the oil, gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Codell and Niobrara Formations in an approximate 640-acre drilling and spacing unit established by Order No. 407-833 for Section 11, Township 3 North, Range 68 West, 6th P.M.
- 2) Providing that the surface locations for the additional wells shall be located on no more than two (2) pad locations within the unit or adjacent thereto, unless an exception is granted by the Director.
- 3) Providing that the treated interval of the wellbores shall be located no closer than 460 feet from the unit boundaries and no closer than 150 feet from the treated interval of any other wellbore located in the unit, without exception being granted by the Director.
- 4) For such other findings and orders as the Commission may deem proper or advisable in this matter.

APPLICABLE ORDERS AND RULES

(available online at: http://cogcc.state.co.us, under "Regulation," then select "Orders" or "Rules")

 On February 19, 1992, the Commission entered Order No. 407-87 (amended August 20, 1993) which, among other things, established 80-acre drilling and spacing units for the production of oil, gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Codell and Niobrara Formations, with permitted well locations in accordance with the provisions of Order No. 407-1. On August 27, 2013, effective as of July 29, 2013, the Commission entered Order No. 407-833 which, among other things, established an approximate 640-acre horizontal drilling and spacing unit for the Application Lands, and approved up to twelve (12) horizontal wells within the drilling and spacing unit for the production of oil, gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Codell-Niobrara Formation, with the treated interval of the wellbore to be located no closer than 460 feet from the unit boundaries and no closer than 150 feet from the treated interval of any other wellbore located in the unit, without exception being granted by the Director, and providing that Applicant may use its existing surface blanket bond to locate the wellpads for the proposed horizontal wells at a surface location outside the applicable GWA drilling window 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:

Date:

January 30-31, 2017

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 13, 2017. Such interested party shall, at the same time, serve a copy of the protest or intervention to the person filling 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 16, 2017. 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

Julie Murphy Secretar

Dated: December 14, 2016

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