

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. 170300097  
FORMATIONS, WATTENBERG FIELD, ADAMS )  
COUNTY, COLORADO ) TYPE: SPACING

NOTICE OF HEARING

TO ALL INTERESTED PARTIES AND TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

APPLICATION LANDS

Township 1 South, Range 67 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M.  
Section 4: W½  
Section 9: W½

APPLICATION

On December 29, 2016, Ward Petroleum Corporation, Operator No. 10359 ("Ward" or "Applicant"), filed a verified application pursuant to §34-60-116, C.R.S., for an order to:

- 1) Establish an approximate 640-acre drilling and spacing unit for Section 4: W½ and Section 9: W½, Township 1 South, Range 67 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M., and approve up to 12 horizontal wells within the unit, for production of oil, gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Codell and Niobrara Formations; and
- 2) Require the productive intervals of the wellbore to be located no closer than 460 feet from unit boundaries, and no closer than 150 feet from the productive interval of any other wellbore located in the unit, unless an exception is granted by the Director.
- 3) Applicant states that the proposed wells will be located on no more than one multi-well pad within the unit, subject to Rule 318A, unless an exception is granted by the Director.

APPLICABLE ORDERS AND RULES

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

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

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, pursuant to §34-60-101 to -130, C.R.S. and the Commission's Rules of Civil Procedure, 2 CCR 404-1, that the Commission has scheduled this matter for hearing on:

Dates: March 20-21, 2017  
Time: 9:00 a.m.  
Place: The Larimer County Conference Center at The Ranch  
First National Bank Building  
5280 Arena Circle  
Loveland, CO 80538

Additional information about the hearing on this Application will be in the Commission's Agenda, which is posted on the Commission's website approximately three 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 this 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 March 6, 2017.** 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 March 6, 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

By *Peter J. Gowen*  
*foz* Julie Murphy, Secretary

Dated: February 3, 2017

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