

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 FORMATION, ) DOCKET NO. 170600340  
WATTENBERG FIELD, WELD COUNTY, )  
COLORADO ) TYPE: POOLING

NOTICE OF HEARING

TO ALL INTERESTED PARTIES AND TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

APPLICATION LANDS

Township 6 North, Range 63 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M.

Section 8: E $\frac{1}{2}$ E $\frac{1}{2}$   
Section 9: W $\frac{1}{2}$ W $\frac{1}{2}$   
Section 16: NW $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$   
Section 17: NE $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$

APPLICATION

On April 13, 2017, 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) Ratify Order No. 407-1318 to pool all interests in the Application Lands underlying two approximate 400-acre designated horizontal wellbore spacing units established for the Application Lands, for the development and operation of the Niobrara Formation; and
- 2) Subject any non-consenting 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 date that any of the costs specified in §34-60-116(7)(b), C.R.S., are first incurred for the drilling of the Mahalo State AA09-79HNC Well (API No. 05-123-39105), and the Mahalo State AA09-79-1HNB Well (API No. 05-123-39102) ("Wells").

APPLICABLE ORDERS AND RULES

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

- On April 27, 1998, the Commission adopted Rule 318A, the Greater Wattenberg Area Special Well Location, Spacing and Unit Designation Rule.
- On May 18, 2015, the Commission entered Order No. 407-1318 which, among other things, pooled all interests in the two approximate 400-acre designated horizontal wellbore spacing units established for the Application Lands for the development and operation of the Niobrara Formation, and subjected all nonconsenting interests to the cost recovery provisions of C.R.S. §34-60-116(7) effective as of the earlier of the date of the Application or the date the costs specified in C.R.S. §34-60-116(7)(b) were first incurred for the drilling of the Mahalo State AA09-79HNC Well (API No. 05-123-39105)

and Mahalo State AA09-79-1HNB Well (API No. 05-123-39102) on the Application Lands.

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: June 12-13, 2017  
Time: 9:00 a.m.  
Place: Rio Blanco County Courthouse  
555 Main Street  
Meeker, CO 81641

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 May 26, 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 May 26, 2017.** Pursuant to Rule 511, if the matter is uncontested, it may be approved without a hearing.

OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION COMMISSION  
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By   
Peter Gowen, Acting Secretary

Dated: May 3, 2017

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