

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. 170600360  
FORMATIONS, WATTENBERG FIELD, WELD )  
COUNTY, COLORADO ) TYPE: SPACING

NOTICE OF HEARING

TO ALL INTERESTED PARTIES AND TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

APPLICATION LANDS

Township 6 North, Range 65 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M.

Section 35: All

Section 36: All

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) Establish an approximate 1,280-acre drilling and spacing unit for Sections 35 and 36, Township 6 North, Range 65 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M., and approve up to 13 horizontal wells in the unit, for the production of oil, gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Codell and Niobrara Formations; and
- 2) Provide that the productive interval of any horizontal well shall be no closer than 460 feet from the unit boundaries, and not less than 150 feet from the productive interval of another well within the unit, unless an exception is granted by the Director.
- 3) Applicant states that all wells permitted under this Order shall be drilled from two well pads in the unit, or on adjacent lands, 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 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, 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. The Application Lands are subject to this Order for the Codell and Niobrara Formations.

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  
OF THE STATE OF COLORADO

By   
Peter Gowen, Acting Secretary

Dated: May 2, 2017

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