

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

IN THE MATTER OF THE PROMULGATION) CAUSE NO. 535
AND ESTABLISHMENT OF FIELD RULES TO)
GOVERN OPERATIONS FOR THE NIOBRARA) DOCKET NO. 170600404
FORMATION, UNNAMED FIELD, ARAPAHOE)
COUNTY, COLORADO) TYPE: ADDITIONAL WELLS

NOTICE OF HEARING

TO ALL INTERESTED PARTIES AND TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

APPLICATION LANDS

Township 4 South, Range 65 West, 6th P.M.

Section 3: All

Section 4: All

APPLICATION

On April 18, 2017, Bison Exploration LLC, Operator No. 10646 ("Bison" or "Applicant") filed a verified application pursuant to §34-60-116, C.R.S., for an order to:

1) Approve an additional 14 horizontal wells, for a total of up to 16 horizontal wells, within an approximate 1280-acre drilling and spacing unit established for the Application Lands by Order No. 535-460, for the production of oil, gas, and associated hydrocarbons from the Niobrara Formation; and

2) Require the productive interval of the wellbore to be located no closer than 460 feet from the unit boundaries, and no closer than 150 feet from the productive interval of any other wellbore located in the unit, without exception being granted by the Director.

3) Applicant states that any horizontal wells to be drilled in the unit will be drilled from no more than two multi-well pads on the surface of the drilling unit, or on adjacent lands with consent of the landowner, unless an exception is granted by the Director.

APPLICABLE RULES AND ORDERS

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

- On October 31, 2011, the Commission entered Order No. 535-97 which, among other things, established an approximate 640-acre drilling and spacing unit for Section 4 of the Application Lands, and approved up to two horizontal wells within the unit, for production of oil, gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Niobrara Formation.
- On January 27, 2014, the Commission entered Order No. 535-460 which, among other things, 1) vacated an approximate 640-acre drilling and spacing unit established by Order No. 535-97 for Section 4, Township 4 South, Range 65 West, 6th P.M., 2)

established an approximate 1280-acre exploratory drilling and spacing unit for certain lands in Sections 3 and 4, Township 4 South, Range 65 West, 6th P.M., and approved up to two horizontal wells within the unit, for the production of oil, gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Niobrara Formation.

- On July 28, 2014, the Commission entered Order No. 535-523 which, among other things, pooled all interests in an approximate 1280-acre exploratory drilling and spacing unit established for the Application Lands, for the development and operation of the Niobrara Formation.

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: June 12-13, 2017

Time: 9:00 a.m.

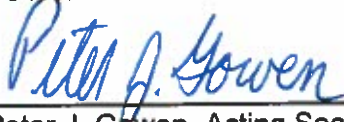
Place: Rio Blanco County Courthouse
555 Main Street
Meeker, CO 81641

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.

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By 
Peter J. Gowen, Acting Secretary

Dated: May 2, 2017

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