

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

IN THE MATTER OF THE PROMULGATION)	CAUSE NO. 407
AND ESTABLISHMENT OF FIELD RULES TO)	
GOVERN OPERATIONS FOR THE CODELL)	DOCKET NO. 170700414
AND NIOBRARA FORMATIONS,)	
WATTENBERG FIELD, WELD COUNTY,)	TYPE: SPACING
COLORADO)	

NOTICE OF HEARING

TO ALL INTERESTED PARTIES AND TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

APPLICATION LANDS

Township 2 North, Range 64 West, 6th P.M.
Section 4: SW¼
Section 9: W½

APPLICATION

On May 8, 2017, Verdad Oil & Gas Corporation (Operator No. 10485) ("Verdad" or "Applicant") filed a verified application pursuant to §34-60-116, C.R.S., for an order to:

- 1) Establish an approximate 480-acre drilling and spacing unit for the Application Lands, for production of oil, gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Codell and Niobrara Formations.
- 2) Approve the drilling of up to eight horizontal wells in the proposed unit.
- 3) Provide that the treated interval of each proposed horizontal well shall be no closer than 460 feet from the boundaries of the proposed unit, and no closer than 150 feet from the treated interval of another well producing from the same source of supply within the unit, 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 or about 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-Niobrara Formations. The Application Lands are subject to this Order for the production of oil, gas, and associated hydrocarbons from the Niobrara and Codell Formations.
- On April 27, 1998, the Commission adopted Rule 318A. which, among other things, allowed certain drilling locations to be utilized to drill or twin a well, deepen a well or recomplete a well and to commingle any or all Cretaceous Age Formations from the

base of the Dakota Formation to the surface. Rule 318A. supersedes all prior Commission drilling and spacing orders affecting well location and density requirements of Greater Wattenberg Area wells. On December 5, 2005, Rule 318A. was amended, among other things, to allow interior infill and boundary wells to be drilled and wellbore spacing units to be established. On August 8, 2011, Rule 318A. was again amended, among other things, to address drilling of horizontal wells. The Application Lands are subject to certain aspects of this rule for horizontal wells drilled in the Niobrara and Codell 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: July 24-25, 2017
Time: 9:00 a.m.
Place: Colorado Oil and Gas Conservation Commission
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 July 10, 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 July 10, 2017.** Pursuant to Rule 511., if the matter is uncontested, it may be approved without a hearing.

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By 
Peter Gowen, Acting Secretary

Dated: June 19, 2017

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