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

I THE MATTER OF THE PROMULGATION AND STABLISHMENT OF FIELD RULES TO GOVERN)	CAUSE NO. 407
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OPERATIONS FOR THE CODELL AND NIOBRARA)	DOCKET NO. 170900540
FORMATIONS, WATTENBERG FIELD, ADAMS	j	
COUNTY, COLORADO	ý	TYPE: POOLING

NOTICE OF HEARING

TO ALL INTERESTED PARTIES AND TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

<u>APPLICATION LANDS</u>

Township 1 South, Range 67 West, 6th P.M. Section 19: All

Section 20: All

<u>APPLICATION</u>

On July 12, 2017, Great Western Operating Company, LLC (Operator No. 10110) ("Great Western" or "Applicant"), filed a verified application pursuant to §34-60-116, C.R.S. for an order to:

- 1) Pool all interests in the Application Lands underlying an approximate 1,261.6-acre drilling and spacing unit comprising the Application Lands.
- 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 a horizontal well to the Codell or Niobrara Formations in the 1,261.6-acre Drilling and Spacing Unit established for the Application Lands.
- 3) For such other findings and orders as the Commission may deem proper or advisable in this matter.

APPLICABLE ORDERS AND RULES

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

- On 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 and Niobrara Formations underlying certain lands, with permitted well locations in accordance with the provisions of Order No. 407-1. The Application Lands are subject to this Order for the Niobrara and Codell Formations.
- On April 27, 1998, the Commission adopted Rule 318A, the Greater Wattenberg Area Special Well Location, Spacing and Unit Designation Rule. The Application Lands are subject to this Rule for the Niobrara and Codell Formations.

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• On July 24, 2017, the Commission approved Applicant's application in Docket No. 170700443 (Order No. pending) for an order to establish an approximate 1,261.6-acre drilling and spacing unit for the Application Lands (the "Drilling and Spacing Unit") and to allow up to 26 horizontal wells in the unit in order to efficiently and economically develop and recover the oil, gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Niobrara and Codell Formations in the unit, providing that the productive interval any horizontal well shall be no closer than 460 feet from the boundaries of the unit and not less than 150 feet from the treated interval of another well within the unit, and approve two well pads in an adjacent unit, subject to Rule 318.A., unless an exception is granted by the Director. Docket No. 170700443 was heard and approved at the July 24-25, 2017 Commission hearing.

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:

September 11-12, 2017

Time:

9:00 a.m.

Place:

Durango Public Library Program Room #2 1900 E 3rd Avenue Durango, CO 81301

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 August 28, 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 August 28, 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

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Dated: July 27, 2017

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