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

| IN THE MATTER OF THE PROMULGATION AND |) | CAUSE NO. 535 |
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| ESTABLISHMENT OF FIELD RULES TO | j | |
| GOVERN OPERATIONS FOR THE NIOBRARA, |) | DOCKET NO. 170900568 |
| FORMATION, UNNAMED FIELD, WELD | ý | |
| COUNTY, COLORADO | ý | TYPE: SPACING |

NOTICE OF HEARING

TO ALL INTERESTED PARTIES AND TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

APPLICATION LANDS

Township 8 North, Range 59 West, 6th P.M. Section 19: All

Township 8 North, Range 60 West, 6th P.M. Section 24: E½

<u>APPLICATION</u>

On July 13, 2017, Bison Oil & Gas II, LLC (Operator No. 10661) ("Bison" or "Applicant") filed a verified application pursuant to §34-60-116, C.R.S., for an order to:

- 1) Vacate two approximate 640-acre drilling and spacing units established by Order No. 535-69 for Sections 19 and 24, Township 8 North, Range 59 West, 6th P.M. unit, for the production of oil, gas, and associated hydrocarbons from the Niobrara Formation;
- 2) Establish an approximate 960-acre drilling and spacing unit for the Application Lands, and approve up to 16 horizontal wells within the unit, for the production of oil, gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Niobrara Formation; and
- 3) Require the productive interval of the wellbore of each wellbore in the unit to be no closer than 600 feet from the unit boundary, and no closer than 150 feet from the productive interval of any other wellbore located within the drilling and spacing unit, unless an exception is granted by the Director.
- 4) Applicant states that the wells be drilled from no more than three well pads located 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 select "Orders" or "Rules")

 Rule 318.a. of the Rules and Regulations of the Oil and Gas Conservation Commission requires that, on unspaced lands, wells drilled in excess of 2,500 feet in depth be located not less than 600 feet from any lease line, and located not less than 1,200 feet from any other producible or drilling oil or gas well when drilling to the same common source of supply.

On September 23, 2011, the Commission entered Order No. 535-69, which established 40 approximate 640-acre drilling and spacing unit for lands in Townships 7 North through 9 North, Ranges 58 West to 61 West, 6th P.M., and approved two horizontal wells within each unit, for the production of oil, gas, and associated hydrocarbons from the Niobrara Formation, with the treated interval of the wellbore to be located no closer than 600 feet from the unit boundaries, without exception being granted by the Director.

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:

September 11 - 12, 2017

Time:

9:00 a.m.

Place:

Durango Public Library Program Room #2 1900 East Third 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

Dames Rouse, Acting Secretary

Dated: August 1, 2017

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