## 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. 171000690
FORMATIONS, WATTENBERG FIELD, ADAMS	j	
COUNTY, COLORADO	j	TYPE: SPACING

### **AMENDED NOTICE OF HEARING**

TO ALL INTERESTED PARTIES AND TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

### APPLICATION LANDS

Township 1 South, Range 66 West, 6th P.M.

Section 18: All Section 19: All

#### **APPLICATION**

On January 10, 2018, Ward Petroleum Corporation, Operator No. 10359 ("Ward" or "Applicant"), filed an Amended Verified Application pursuant to §34-60-116, C.R.S., for an order to:

- 1) Amend spacing Order 407-1162 and pooling Order 407-1635 to reduce the number of authorized horizontal wells to **one**, the existing Anderson #18-3-11HC Well (API No. 05-01-09941);
- 2) Amend spacing Order 407-1159 to reduce the number of authorized wells to one, the Anderson #19-1-10HC Well (API No. 05-01-09847);
- 3) Establish an approximate 1,280-acre drilling and spacing unit for Section 18 and Section 19, Township 1 South, Range 66 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M., and approve up to 23 horizontal wells within the unit, for production of oil, gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Codell and Niobrara Formations; and
- 4) Require the productive intervals of the wellbore to be located no closer than 460 feet from unit boundaries, and no closer than 150 feet from the productive interval of any other wellbore located in the unit, unless an exception is granted by the Director.
- 5) Applicant states that the proposed wells to the newly created unit will be located on no more than **two** multi-well pads within or without the unit, subject to Rule 318A, unless an exception is granted by the Director.

# APPLICABLE ORDERS AND RULES (available online at: <a href="http://cogcc.state.co.us">http://cogcc.state.co.us</a>, 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.

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- On April 28, 2014, the Commission entered Order No. 407-996, which established a 640-acre drilling and spacing unit for Section 19, Township 1 South, Range 66 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M., and authorized the drilling of one horizontal well in such unit to the Codell or Niobrara Formations.
- On December 15, 2014, the Commission also entered Order No. 407-1159, which increased to 12 the number of wells which could be drilled in the 640-acre drilling and spacing unit previously established by Order 407-996 for Section 19, Township 1 South, Range 66 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M., for production of oil, gas and associated hydrocarbons from horizontal wells to the Codell and Niobrara Formation.
- On December 15, 2014, the Commission entered Order No. 407-1162, which established a 640-acre drilling and spacing unit for Section 18, Township 1 South, Range 66 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M., and authorized the drilling of up to 12 horizontal wells in such unit to the Codell or Niobrara Formations.
- On January 26, 2016, the Commission entered Order No. 407-1635, which pooled the 640-acre drilling and spacing unit for Section 18, Township 1 South, Range 66 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M., which had been established under Order 407-1162 for production of oil, gas and associated hydrocarbons from horizontal wells to the Codell and Niobrara Formations, and applied the cost recovery provisions of C.R.S. §34-60-116(7) to any non-consenting owners within said unit for the Anderson #18-1-10 HC and Anderson #18-3-11 HC Wells.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, pursuant to §34-60-101 to -130, C.R.S. and the Commission's Rules of Civil Procedure, 2 CCR 404-1, that the Commission has scheduled this matter for hearing on:

Dates:

March 19-20, 2018

Time:

9:00 a.m.

Place:

Colorado Oil and Gas Conservation Commission

The 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's website approximately three 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 this 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 March 5, 2018. 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 March 5, 2018, if a prehearing conference is requested by the Applicant, or any person who has filed

a protest or intervention. 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

Julie Spence Prine, Secretary

Dated: January 25, 2018

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