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

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF ) CAUSE NO. 407	
THE PROMULGATION AND ESTABLISHMENT )	
OF FIELD RULES TO GOVERN OPERATIONS ) DOCKET NO. 17100	0730
FOR THE NIOBRARA FORMATION, )	
WATTENBERG FIELD, WELD COUNTY, ) TYPE: POOLING	
COLORADO )	

#### NOTICE OF HEARING

TO ALL INTERESTED PARTIES AND TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

#### APPLICATION LANDS

Township 5 North, Range 65 West, 6th P.M.

Section 25: S1/2S1/2

Section 26: SE1/4SW1/4, S1/2SE1/4

Township 5 North, Range 64 West, 6th P.M.

Section 30: SW1/4SW1/4

#### <u>APPLICATION</u>

On August 31, 2017, PDC Energy, Inc. (Operator No. 69175) ("PDC" or "Applicant"), filed a verified application pursuant to § 34-60-116, C.R.S. for an order to:

- 1) Pool all interests in an approximate 320-acre designated horizontal wellbore spacing unit, for the development and operation of the Niobrara formation; and
- 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. were first incurred for the drilling of the Bunting 26Q-212 Well (API No. 05-123-44087) ("Well").

#### APPLICABLE RULES AND ORDERS

(available online at: <a href="http://cogcc.state.co.us">http://cogcc.state.co.us</a>, 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-Niobrara formations, the Codell formation, and the Niobrara formation underlying certain lands, including the Application Lands, with the permitted well locations in accordance with the provisions of Order 407-1.
- On August 27, 2009, the Commission entered Order No. 407-335, which, among other things, pooled all non-consenting interests in a 160-acre wellbore spacing unit for the SW¼NW¼ and NW¼SW¼ of Section 30, Township 5 North, Range 64 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M..

and the SE¼NE¼ and NE½SE¼ of Section 25, Township 5 North, Range 65 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M., for the Conagra B #30-32D well (API #05-123-26996), from the Codell and Niobrara formations, and a 160-acre wellbore spacing unit for the W½SW¼ of Section 30, Township 5 North, Range 64 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M., and E½SE¼ of Section 25, Township 5 North, Range 65 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M., for the Conagra B #30-33D well (API #05-123-28063), from the Codell and Niobrara formations. Order No. 407-335 is not affected by this Application, and proceeds from any shared lands will be accounted for in the production of the Well.

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: December 11-13, 2017

Time: 9:00 a.m.

Place: Colorado Oil and Gas Conservation Commission

The Chancery Building 1120 S. Lincoln St., Ste. 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 three (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 November 27, 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 November 27, 2017, 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: November 6, 2017

Colorado Oil and Gas Conservation Commission

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AND ESTABLISHMENT OF FIELD RULES TO	)	
GOVERN OPERATIONS FOR THE NIOBRARA		DOCKET NO. 171000730
FORMATION, WATTENBERG FIELD, WELD		
COUNTY, COLORADO	Ś	TYPE: POOLING

### **SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION**

#### THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF COLORADO

TO THE Following interested parties:

The Estate of Richard S. Miller; and

All unknown persons who may claim any interest

in the subject matter of this action

You are hereby summoned and may appear and respond to the Application filed with the Commission in this docket. Pursuant to Sections 34-60-101 – 130, C.R.S., PDC Energy, Inc. (Operator No. 69175) ("Applicant"), filed an Application for an order to: (1) pool all interests in the Application Lands defined below underlying an approximate 320-acre designated horizontal wellbore spacing unit established for the Application Lands, for the development and operation of the Niobrara Formation; and (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 the Bunting 26Q-212 Well (API No. 05-123-44087) ("Well") on the following Application Lands:

Township 5 North, Range 65 West, 6th P.M.

Section 25: S½S½

Section 26: SE¼SW¼, S½SE¼

Township 5 North, Range 64 West, 6th P.M.

Section 30: SW1/4SW1/4

The Commission scheduled this matter for hearing on:

Dates:

December 11-12, 2017

Time:

9:00 a.m.

Place:

The Colorado Oil and Gas Conservation Commission

The Chancery Building

1120 Lincoln Street, Suite 801

**Denver, CO 80203** 

To oppose the Application, you must file with the Commission Secretary a protest pursuant to Commission Rule 509. You must file your protest on or before **November 27, 2017**. One electronic (cogcc.hearings\_unit@state.co.us), one original and two copies of the protest shall be filed with the Commission. You must also serve a copy of the protest upon Applicant's attorney, listed below.

If you fail to file a timely protest, the Commission may enter an order affecting your

interests in the Application Lands without further notice. This matter may be continued to a future Commission hearing date, but that does not change your protest deadline.

A copy of the Application may be obtained from the Commission Secretary or Applicant's attorney.

OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF COLORADO

Julie Spence Prine, Secretary

Dated: September 28, 2017

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