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

IN THE MATTER OF THE PROMULGATION AND	/	USE NO. 407
ESTABLISHMENT OF FIELD RULES TO GOVERN	,	
OPERATIONS FOR THE NIOBRARA, FORT	,	CKET NO. 180900687
HAYS, CODELL, AND CARLILE FORMATIONS,	,	DE, ODAOINO
WATTENBERG FIELD, WELD COUNTY, COLORADO	) IY	PE: SPACING
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# **NOTICE OF HEARING**

# TO ALL INTERESTED PARTIES AND TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

### **APPLICATION LANDS**

Township 3 North, Range 64 West, 6th P.M.

Section 16: All Section 21: All

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Section 28: All Section 33: All

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Section 15: All Section 22: All

Township 3 North, Range 64 West, 6th P.M.

Section 27: All Section 34: All

Township 3 North, Range 64 West, 6th P.M.

Section 14: All Section 23: All

Township 3 North, Range 64 West, 6th P.M.

Section 26: All Section 35: All

Township 3 North, Range 63 West, 6th P.M.

Section 19: All Section 30: All

Drilling and Spacing Unit (DSU) Nos. 1-6, & 9

1,280 acres, more or less

Township 3 North, Range 64 West, 6th P.M.

Section 13: All Section 24: All

Section 25: N½

Drilling and Spacing Unit (DSU) No. 7

1,600 acres, more or less

Township 3 North, Range 64 West, 6th P.M.

Section 25: S½

Section 36: All

Drilling and Spacing Unit (DSU) No. 8

960 acres, more or less

Township 3 North, Range 63 West, 6th P.M.

Section 31: W1/2

Township 2 North, Range 63 West, 6th P.M.

Section 6: W1/2

**DSU No. 10** 

640 acres, more or less

Township 3 North, Range 63 West, 6th P.M.

Section 20: All

Section 28: W1/2

Section 29: All

**DSU No. 11** 

1,600 acres, more or less

#### APPLICATION

On July 19, 2018 (amended August 10, 2018), Noble Energy, Inc. (Operator No. 100322) ("Noble" or "Applicant"), filed a verified application pursuant to §34-60-116, C.R.S., for an order to:

1) Establish 11 drilling and spacing units (each, a "DSU") for the Application Lands, and approve the drilling of up to (a) 15 horizontal wells within DSU Nos. 1-9; (b) seven horizontal wells within DSU No. 10; and (c) 23 horizontal wells within DSU No. 11, for the production of oil, gas, and associated hydrocarbons from the Niobrara, Fort Hays, Codell, and Carlile Formations, with the treated intervals of the wellbore of any well permitted to the Niobrara, Fort Hays, Codell, and Carlile Formations to be located not less than 200 feet from the northern and southern boundaries of the proposed units, and not less than 300 feet from the eastern and western boundaries of the proposed units, and not less than 150 feet from the treated interval of another well producing from within the same unit, unless an exception is granted by the Director.

- 2) Require that the wells be drilled from no more than two multi-well pads for DSU No. 10 and no more than three well pads for DSU Nos. 1-9 and DSU No. 11, to be located within each unit or on adjacent lands.
- 3) Any permitted wells to be drilled under this Application shall be drilled in a north-south or south-north wellbore orientation.

### **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 February 9, 1992, the Commission entered Order No. 407-87 which, among other things, established 80-acre drilling and spacing units for vertical and directional wells for the production of oil, gas, from the Codell and Niobrara formations. A portion of the Application Lands is subject to Order 407-87.
- On April 27, 1998, the Commission adopted Rule 318A, the Greater Wattenberg Area Special Well Location, Spacing and Unit Designation Rule.

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 17-18, 2018

Time:

9:00 a.m.

Place:

Garfield County Sheriff's Annex - Rifle

106 County Road 333-A Rifle, Colorado 81650

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 31, 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 September 3, 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

By\_

Julie Spence Prine, Secretary

Dated: August 13, 2018

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