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Colorado Oil and Gas Conservation Commission  
The Chancery Building  
1120 Lincoln Street, Suite 801  
Denver, CO 80203  
Attn: Mr. Matt Lepore, Director

RE: **Request to the Director for Spacing Order 535-302 Minimum Intra-well Distance Exception**  
**Timbro State LD16-66HN**  
Niobrara New Drill  
Township 9 North, Range 58 West, 6th P.M.  
Section 16: SE/4NE/4: 1807' FNL & 290' FEL (Surface Location)  
Weld County, Colorado

Dear Director:

Noble Energy Inc. (NEI) is planning to drill the above mentioned well to the Niobrara formation(s).

The lateral path of NEI's proposed horizontal well will be less than the 150' minimum distance from another well(s) as required within Spacing Order 535-302 (see wells listed below). Please see Noble's Anti-Collision Mitigation BMP noted below.

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API No. 05-123-**10961**  
Operator: Rock Oil Corp.  
SW/4NE/4 Section 16 Township 9 North, Range 58  
West, 6th P.M.

**Timbro PC LD16-17**

API No. 05-123-**33305**  
Operator: Noble Energy Inc.  
SE/4NE/4 Section 16 Township 9 North, Range 58  
West, 6th P.M.

**Anti-collision:**

Prior to drilling operations, Operator will perform an anti-collision scan of existing offset wells that have the potential of being within close proximity of the proposed well. This anti-collision scan will include definitive MWD or gyro surveys of the offset wells with included error of uncertainty per survey instrument, and compared against the proposed wellpath with its respective error of uncertainty. If current surveys do not exist for the offset wells, Operator may have gyro surveys conducted to verify bottomhole location. The proposed well will only be drilled if the anti-collision scan results indicate that there is not a risk for collision, or harm to people or the environment. For the proposed well, upon conclusion of drilling operations, an as-constructed gyro survey will be submitted to COGCC with the Form 5.

Noble respectfully requests that the COGCC review the enclosed information and approve the requested exception location Application for Permit to Drill the captioned well.

Respectfully,

Justin Garrett  
Regulatory Analyst II