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Colorado Oil and Gas Conservation Commission
1120 Lincoln Street, Suite 801
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RE: **Request for Surface Location Exception (Outside 318A.a)**

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| Simpson FD 15-019HN | Simpson FD 15-139HN | Simpson FD 16-382HN | Simpson FD 16-302HN |
| Simpson FD 15-022HN | Simpson FD 15-139HC | Simpson FD 16-379HN | Simpson FD 16-262HN |
| Simpson FD 15-022HC | Simpson FD 15-142HN | Simpson FD 16-379HC | Simpson FD 16-262HC |
| Simpson FD 15-059HN | Simpson FD 15-179HC | Simpson FD 16-342HN | Simpson FD 16-259HN |
| Simpson FD 15-062HN | Simpson FD 15-179HN | Simpson FD 16-339HN | Simpson FD 16-222HN |
| Simpson FD 15-062HC | Simpson FD 15-219HN | Simpson FD 16-339HC | Simpson FD 16-222HC |
| Simpson FD 15-102HN | | | |

Township 6 North, Range 67 West, 6th P.M.
Section 15
Weld County, Colorado

Dear Director:

Great Western Operating Company, LLC is planning to drill the above mentioned well to the Niobrara formation.

The surface location of Great Western's proposed wells has been staked outside of the 318A.a drilling window. The location is being permitted as an exception location. This location is a good location to both reduce the impact on the surface owner and to increase the number of wells reachable from one well pad to minimize surface disturbance. The windows exception location waiver for rule 318A.a is included in the attached surface use agreement.

Great Western Operating Company, LLC respectfully request that the COGCC review the enclosed information and approve the requested exception location waiver and Application for Permit to Drill the above captioned wells.

Respectfully,

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