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

RE: **Request to the Director for 318A.a Exception Location (Outside 318A Drilling Window)**  
**Request to the Director for 318A.c Twinning Exception Location**  
**Wells on Pad location:** Guttersen State DD18-790 Ref, doc no 400668870, Guttersen State DD18-785, doc no 400670130, Guttersen State DD18-780, doc no 400670352 and Guttersen State DD18-775, doc no 400670229  
Section 7: NW/4NW/4 Township 3 North, Range 63 West, 6th P.M.  
Weld County, Colorado

Dear Director:

The surface location of NEI's proposed well(s) has been staked outside of the 318A.a drilling window, per surface owner request. The location is being permitted as an exception location. NEI has obtained written permission contained in a waiver, from the surface owner.

Under the Revised Rule 318A.c any new twinning well is to be located within 50' of an existing well. The surface location of NEI's proposed well(s) has been staked greater than 50' from the nearest oil and gas well. Noble has obtained permission, contained in a waiver, from the surface owner, which is attached. Requirements 7, 8, and 9 within the COGCC Form 2 Attachment Guidance for Exception Location Requests are captured within the attached waiver.

Thank you for your attention to the enclosed. Noble respectfully requests that the COGCC review the enclosed information and approve the requested exception location waivers and Application for Permit to Drill the captioned well(s).

Respectfully,

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