

# ACCESS AND SURFACE DAMAGE AGREEMENT

## Weld County, Colorado:

THIS AGREEMENT is made and entered into this 20 day of January, 2017 by and between **Nelson Ranches, Inc.** whose address is **58900 Weld County Road 382, Grover, CO 80729**, hereinafter referred to as "Grantor," and **Whiting Oil and Gas Corporation**, whose address is **1700 Broadway, Suite. 2300, Denver, CO 80290-2300**, hereinafter referred to as "Grantee".

WHEREAS, Grantor is the surface owner of the following described lands in **Weld County, Colorado**: More fully described in Exhibit A attached.

**Township 10 North, Range 58 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M.**  
**Section 29: SW ¼ NE ¼**

(hereinafter referred to as the "Lands") and

WHEREAS, Grantee desires to enter onto and cross such Lands for the purpose of developing the following oil and/or gas pad:

**RAZOR 29G Pad**

(hereinafter referred to as the "Drill Site").

NOW THEREFORE, for and in consideration of the mutual promises and covenants herein contained, and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, the parties hereto agree as follows.

- I. Grantee and its assigns or agents shall have the right to locate an access road across the subject Lands, and shall have the unrestricted right to move derricks, drilling tools, vehicles and all other machinery and equipment necessary or incident to the drilling, testing, completion and operation of an oil and/or gas well at the Drill Site. Pipelines located outside of the defined Drill Site as shown in the attached Exhibits shall be compensated for separately from this agreement.
- II. Grantee shall pay to Grantor the sum as agreed to by separate Letter Agreement of even date of this Agreement.

These payments are for full settlement and satisfaction of all damages including but not limited to exploration, drilling, stimulation, completion, re-stimulation, re-completion, deepening, reworking, equipping, production, maintenance, and plugging and abandoning operations for the above described wells at the Drill Site, access roads and production facilities, necessary for the operation of and associated with the above described wells, including without limitation, as all of the foregoing may be related to directional, horizontal or lateral wellbores for the above described wells unless otherwise specifically provided herein. Prior to commencement of actual operations of constructing or reconstructing the access road or Drill Site location on said Lands, the sums, settlement and payments agreed to are due and payable, or this Agreement terminates, unless the prior payment provision is waived by Grantor, with respect to both Grantor and Grantee. If the Initial Payment provided for herein is not made within fifteen (15) days of the date of this Agreement, this agreement shall terminate as to all of the Lands and all wells described herein or contemplated hereunder.

- III. Grantors shall notify Grantee of any change of surface ownership and no change of ownership of Grantors' interest shall be binding on Grantee until Grantee has been furnished with notice of said change of ownership.
- IV. This Agreement and the rights granted herein are effective on the date of execution by Grantor and shall continue in full force and effect so long as operations are conducted on the above named well sites.
- V. Cattle guards or gates will be constructed, if requested by Grantor, at all places where they go through. The existing fences and gates will be kept closed at all times except when opened for passage of traffic. Grantee will fence the Drill Site area with a barbed or woven wire type fence, to include the use of H braces in the corners, at cattle guards or where needed along the fence line, a cattle guard will be installed at each point of entry to the Drill Site.



- VI. If there is any fill used for roads constructed across any drainage, then culverts will be used for the free flow of water through said drainage.
- VII. If the access road departs from existing established roadways and new construction is required, topsoil will be segregated and stockpiled for replacement during reclamation activities. No spoils or dirt piles shall be allowed. Excess dirt, other than topsoil, shall be removed or used at other locations as fill. The topsoil piles shall not reach a height of more than 10 feet and shall be reseeded promptly upon the completion of construction of the drill site.
- VIII. It is understood that any road constructed across the said Lands shall not exceed **thirty three (33') feet** in width without the prior approval of Grantor.
- IX. Upon completion of the well as a dry hole or in the event any well hereunder is plugged and abandoned, and at the request of Grantor, the Drill Site and any newly constructed road will be restored to the condition it was in prior to commencement of operations insofar as reasonably possible. Any existing roads, and the improvements thereto which are constructed by Grantee shall be left in a good and useable condition for the continued use by Grantor, at Grantor's option.
- X. Grantee will do its best to control weeds, debris, trash and dust along its road access and around the Drill Site area. Exposed soils, if needed will be covered in a manner to help prevent dust and erosion.
- XI. It is expressly understood that this settlement is only for construction and unrestricted use of an access road and Drill Site location, and it is not a settlement for any damages to contiguous property, personal property of the Grantor or a release of any personal injuries that may be sustained by reason of the operations carried on by the oil and gas lessee or his agent.
- XII. The undersigned surface owners hereby agree and waive the notice of intent to commence operations.
- XIII. Both the Grantor and Grantee may assign this Agreement.
- XIV. This Agreement shall be binding upon the Parties hereto, their heirs, successors and assigns, and shall run with the Lands.
- XV. This Agreement, together with the corresponding Letter Agreement, constitutes the entire agreement between the Parties and supersedes all prior agreements and understandings, both written and oral, between the Parties with respect to the subject matter hereof. This Agreement may only be amended, modified, or supplemented by a written instrument signed by all the Parties expressly stating that such instrument is intended to amend, modify or supplement this Agreement.
- XVI. This Agreement may be executed in any number of counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original, and all of which together shall be considered one and the same document.
- XVII. If at any time subsequent to the date hereto any provision of this Agreement shall be held by any court of competent jurisdiction to be illegal, void or unenforceable, such provision shall be of no force and effect, but the illegality or unenforceability of such provision shall have no effect upon and shall not impair the enforceability of the other provisions of this Agreement.
- XVIII. The Parties to this Agreement shall also execute a Memorandum evidencing the execution of this Agreement. Said Memorandum of Agreement may be recorded in the appropriate County Recorder's Office to provide notice of the existence of this Agreement.
- XIX. Grantee shall be responsible for any and all damage to persons or property caused, in whole or in part, by Grantee's operations, or Grantee's exercise of any rights granted hereunder. Grantee hereby releases and shall defend, indemnify and hold harmless Grantor, Grantor's trustees, agents, successors, and assigns (collectively, the "Indemnified Parties") from and against all liability, damages, losses, suits, claims, actions, or injury, death, penalties, or causes of action, costs and expenses of whatsoever nature (including reasonable attorney's fees) (collectively, "Liability") to persons or property that occur during the term of this Agreement and are caused by or arising out of or in connection

with any installation, construction, operation, maintenance, inspection, repair, replacement, or alteration related to the Drill Site, except to the extent and excluding such Liabilities that result from or are caused from the negligence, or willful misconduct of the Indemnified Parties.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have set their hands on the day and year first written above.

GRANTOR: Nelson Ranches, Inc.

Eugene Nelson President  
By: Eugene Nelson, President

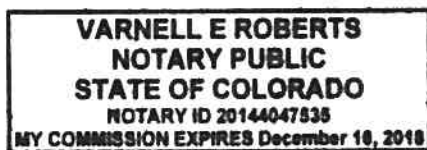
#### ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

STATE OF COLORADO )  
COUNTY OF Weld ) ss.

On this 20 day of January, 2017, before me, a Notary Public, personally appeared Eugene Nelson, President, a duly Authorized Agent of Nelson Ranches, Inc., on behalf of the corporation.

WITNESS my hand and official seal the day and year first above written.

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Varnell E Roberts  
NOTARY PUBLIC  
My Commission Expires: 12/10/18

GRANTEE: Whiting Oil and Gas Corporation

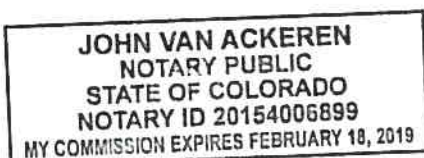
David M. Seery  
By: David M. Seery, Vice President-Land

STATE OF COLORADO )  
COUNTY OF DENVER ) ss.

On this 24TH day of JANUARY, 2017, before me, a Notary Public, personally appeared David M. Seery, Vice President-Land, a duly Authorized Agent of Whiting Oil and Gas Corporation, on behalf of the corporation.

WITNESS my hand and official seal the day and year first above written.

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John Van Ackeren  
NOTARY PUBLIC  
My Commission Expires: 2/10/2019