



April 19, 2018

Ms. Julie Murphy, Director
Colorado Oil and Gas Conservation Commission
1120 Lincoln Street, Suite 801
Denver, Colorado 80203

**RE: COGCC Rule 318A.a.: Exception Location Request
Brown North Pad: SWNE Section 26, Township 7 North, Range 63 West
Proposed Wells: Brown North 26-28-1HN Doc #401598624, Brown North 26-28-2HC Doc
#401598625, Brown North 26-28-3HN Doc #401598626, Brown North 26-28-4HN Doc
#401598628, Brown North 26-28-5HC Doc #401598629, Brown North 26-28-6HN Doc
#401598631
Weld County, Colorado**

Dear Director Murphy:

Mallard Exploration, LLC (Mallard) is applying to the Colorado Oil and Gas Conservation Commission (COGCC) to drill 6 wells on the above referenced pad. The surface locations of Mallard's proposed wells have been staked outside of the Colorado Oil & Gas Conservation Commission (COGCC) Rule 318A.a. Greater Wattenberg Area Drilling Window and are being permitted as exception locations. These wells are being proposed outside of the Drilling Window due to an agreed upon location in the Surface Use Agreement with the surface owner. Mallard has obtained written permission from the surface owner via Surface Use Agreement. Waiver language is included on page 5, paragraph F of the signed Surface Use Agreement.

Mallard respectfully requests the COGCC approve the exception location request and Application for Permit to Drill for the wells on the subject pad. Many thanks for your consideration of this matter.

Respectfully,

Justin Garrett
Regulatory Analyst
Agent for Mallard Exploration, LLC

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