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Land Department

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

RE: COGCC Rule 318A.a.: Window Exception Location Request

COGCC Rule 318A.c.: Twinning Exception Location Request Y05-15 Pad: SWSE Section 5, Township 2 North, Range 64 West

Proposed Wells: Pioneer Y17-715 (Doc #401775168), Pioneer Y17-725 (Doc #401775167), Pioneer Y17-

735 (Doc #401775162), Pioneer Y17-740 (Doc #401775157), Pioneer Y17-745 (Doc #401775155)

Weld County, Colorado

Dear Director Murphy,

Noble Energy, Inc. (Noble) plans to drill five (5) wells on the Y05-15 Pad as referenced above. The surface locations of Noble'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.

Rule 318A.a. requires surface locations within a square with sides four hundred (400) feet in length, the center of which is the center of any governmental quarter-quarter section ("400' window"); or within a square with sides eight hundred (800) feet in length, the center of which is the center of any governmental quarter section ("800' window"). Noble has obtained written permission from the surface owner by way of Surface Use Agreement. These wells were located outside of the GWA Window due to a negotiated SUA with the surface owner.

Rule 318A.c requires a new surface location to be less than 50' from an existing surface well location. The above referenced wells are proposed at a surface location approximately 1216' SW - 1299' SW of the nearest oil and gas well (Perkins USX Y 5-16 API 123-14436).

Noble respectfully requests the COGCC to review the enclosed information and approve the requested exception location request and Applications for Permit to Drill for these wells. If you should have any questions or require additional information, please contact me at your earliest convenience at (303) 288-4232, or CDPNBLPermitting@nblenergy.com

Regards,

**NOBLE ENERGY, INC.** 

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