BEFORE THE OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF COLORADO

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF) Cause No. 535
BISON OIL AND GAS II, LLC FOR AN ORDER)
(1) VACATING ORDER NO. 535-69 AS TO) Docket No. 171000683
SECTION 18 AND (2) ESTABLISHING AN	
APPROXIMATE 1,280-ACRE DRILLING AND) Type: SPACING
SPACING UNIT AND ESTABLISHING WELL	
LOCATION RULES APPLICABLE TO THE)
DRILLING AND PRODUCING OF WELLS FROM	j
THE NIOBRARA, FT. HAYS, CODELL, AND	j
CARLILE FORMATIONS COVERING SECTION	j
13 TOWNSHIP 8 NORTH, RANGE 60 WEST,)
6TH P.M., AND SECTION 18, TOWNSHIP 8	j
NORTH, RANGE 59 WEST, 6TH P.M.,	j .
UNNAMED FIELD, WELD COUNTY,	Ś
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APPLICATION

Bison Oil & Gas II, LLC ("Applicant"), Operator No. 10661, by and through its attorneys, Welborn Sullivan Meck & Tooley, P.C., respectfully submits this Application to the Oil and Gas Conservation Commission of the State of Colorado ("Commission") for an order vacating Order No. 535-69 as to Section 18 of the Application Lands and establishing an approximate 1,280-acre drilling and spacing unit and establishing well location rules applicable to the drilling of wells and producing of oil, gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Niobrara, Ft. Hays, Codell and Carlile Formations covering certain lands in Weld County, Colorado. In support of its Application, Applicant states as follows:

- Applicant is a limited liability company duly authorized to conduct business in Colorado.
- Applicant, owns leasehold interest and/or the right to operate, and is an Owner as defined by Commission rules, in the following lands ("Application Lands"):

Township 8 North, Range 60 West, 6th P.M. Section 13: All

Township 8 North, Range 59 West, 6th P.M. Section 18: All

Weld County, Colorado

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A reference map of the Application Lands is attached as Exhibit B hereto.

- 3. Rule 318.a. of the Rules and Regulations of the Oil and Gas Conservation Commission requires that, on unspaced lands, wells drilled in excess of 2,500 feet in depth be located not less than 600 feet from any lease line, and located not less than 1,200 feet from any other producible or drilling oil or gas well when drilling to the same common source of supply. The Application Lands are subject to this Rule for the Niobrara, Ft. Hays, Codell and Carlile Formations.
- 4. September 23, 2011, as of September 19, 2011, the Commission entered Order No. 535-69, which established 40 approximate 640-acre drilling and spacing units for certain lands in Townships 7, 8, and 9, North, Ranges 58 through 60 West, 6th P.M., and approved two horizontal wells within each unit, for the production of oil, gas, and associated hydrocarbons from the Niobrara Formation, with the treated interval of the wellbore for the permitted wells to be no closer than 600 feet from the unit boundaries, without exception being granted by the Director. Section 18, Township 8 North, Range 59 West, 6th P.M. is subject to this order.
 - No horizontal wells have been drilled on the Application Lands.
- 6. To promote efficient drainage of the Niobrara, Ft. Hays, Codell, and Carlile Formations within the Application Lands and to prevent waste, Applicant requests that the Commission (1) vacate Order No. 535-69 as to Section 18 and (2) establish an approximate 1,280-acre drilling and spacing unit covering the Application Lands described below for production of oil, gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Niobrara, Ft. Hays, Codell, and Carlile Formations:

Township 8 North, Range 60 West, 6th P.M. Section 13: All

Township 8 North, Range 59 West, 6th P.M. Section 18: All

- 7. Applicant is requesting to drill and complete one (1) horizontal well in the approximate 1,280-acre drilling and spacing unit described above, with the option to drill and complete up to a total of twenty (20) horizontal wells in the unit for production of oil, gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Niobrara, Ft. Hays, Codell, and Carlile Formations with the surface location to be located at a legal location in the above-described drilling and spacing unit or on adjacent lands. Applicant further requests that the treated interval of each wellbore be no closer than 600 feet from the unit boundary, and no closer than 100 feet from the productive interval of any other wellbore located within the drilling and spacing unit, unless an exception is granted by the Director.
- 8. Applicant requests authority to drill only those wells necessary to determine the well density which allows the most efficient drainage of the Niobrara, Ft. Hays, Codell, and Carlile Formations, prevents waste, does not adversely affect correlative rights, and assures the greatest ultimate recovery of oil, gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Niobrara, Ft. Hays, Codell, and Carlile Formations. The drilling and spacing unit is not smaller than the maximum area that can be economically and efficiently drained by the proposed wells in such drilling and spacing

unit. Applicant further maintains that wells drilled in the drilling and spacing unit will have no adverse effect on correlative rights of adjacent owners.

- Applicant states that the wells are drilled from no more than two (2) well pads within the unit or from a legal location on adjacent lands.
- 10. The names and addresses of the interested parties according to the information and belief of the Applicant are set forth in Exhibit A attached hereto and made a part hereof, and the undersigned certifies that copies of this Application shall be served on each interested party within seven (7) days after filing of the Application as required by Rules 503.e., 507.b.1., and 507.c.

WHEREFORE, Applicant respectfully requests that this matter be set for hearing, that notice be given as required by law and that, upon such hearing, this Commission enter its order consistent with Applicant's proposals as set forth above.

Dated this 29 day of August, 2017.

Respectfully submitted,

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VERIFICATION

STATE OF COLORADO)
) ss
CITY & COUNTY OF DENVER)

Robert Pierini, Land Manager for Bison Oil & Gas II, LLC, upon oath deposes and says that he has read the foregoing Application and that the statements contained therein are true to the best of his knowledge, information and belief.

BISON OIL & GAS II, LLC

Robert Pierini Land Manager

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 29th day of August 2017 by Robert Pierini, Land Manager for Bison Oil & Gas II, LLC.

Witness my hand and official seal.

LAURA ROBINSON NOTARY PUBLIC STATE OF COLORADO NOTARY ID 20164041978 MY COMMISSION EXPIRES NOVEMBER 2, 2020

Notary Public

My Commission Expires:

EXHIBIT A

INTERESTED PARTIES

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Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment Attn: Kent Kuster, Oil and Gas Liaison 4300 Cherry Creek Dr. South Denver, CO 80246-1530

Colorado Division of Wildlife Northeast Region Office 6060 Broadway Denver, CO 80216

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