

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

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF) Cause No. 535
BISON OIL & GAS II, LLC FOR AN ORDER)
VACATING ORDER NO. 535-69 AS TO THE) Docket No. 180300116
APPLICATION LANDS, AND ESTABLISHING)
AN APPROXIMATE 1,280-ACRE DRILLING) Type: SPACING
AND SPACING UNIT, AND ESTABLISHING)
WELL LOCATION RULES, FOR THE DRILLING)
OF WELLS AND PRODUCING OF OIL, GAS)
AND ASSOCIATED HYDROCARBONS FROM)
THE NIOBRARA, FT HAYS, CODELL, AND)
CARLILE FORMATIONS COVERING)
SECTIONS 29 AND 32, TOWNSHIP 8 NORTH,)
RANGE 59 WEST, 6TH P.M., UNNAMED FIELD,)
WELD COUNTY, COLORADO)

APPLICATION

Bison Oil & Gas II, LLC (“Applicant” or “Bison”), 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 Nos. 535-69, as to the Application Lands, and establishing an approximate 1,280-acre drilling and spacing unit, and authorizing up to twenty horizontal wells within the unit, for 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:

1. Applicant is a limited liability company duly authorized to conduct business in Colorado.
2. 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 59 West, 6th P.M.

Section 29: All

Section 32: All

Weld County, Colorado

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 certain aspects of this Rule.

4. On September 19, 2011, the Commission entered Order No. 535-69, which established forty (40) approximate 640-acre drilling and spacing units for certain lands in Weld County, Colorado, one covering Section 29, Township 8 North, Range 59 West, 6th P.M., and approved two horizontal wells in each unit, for the production of oil, gas, and associated hydrocarbons from the Niobrara Formation, with the treated interval of the wellbores to be located no closer than 600 feet from the unit boundaries, without exception being granted by the Director. Section 29 of the Application Lands is subject to this Order for the Niobrara Formation.

5. No horizontal wells have been drilled on the Application Lands.

6. The existing Commission Rules and Orders governing well locations on the Application Lands prevent the most efficient and economic development of the Niobrara, Ft. Hays, Codell, and Carlile Formations with available horizontal technology.

7. To promote efficient drainage, and to prevent waste, Applicant requests that the Commission vacate Order No. 535-69 as to the Application Lands, and establish an approximate 1,280-acre drilling and spacing unit covering the Application Lands described below, for the drilling of wells and production of oil, gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Niobrara, Ft. Hays, Codell, and Carlile Formations:

Township 8 North, Range 59 West, 6th P.M.

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8. Applicant is requesting approval 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.

9. 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 Application Lands. The drilling and spacing unit is not smaller than the maximum area that can be drained by the proposed wells. Applicant further maintains that the drilling and spacing unit will have no adverse effect on correlative rights.

10. 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.

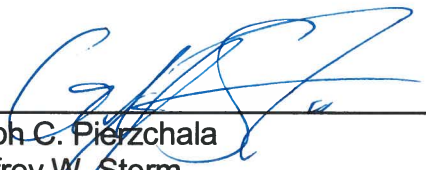
11. The names and addresses of the interested parties according to the information and belief of the Applicant are set forth in Exhibit A attached hereto and made a part hereof, and the undersigned certifies that copies of this Application shall be served on each interested party within seven (7) days 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 12th day of December, 2017.

Respectfully submitted,
WELBORN SULLIVAN MECK & TOOLEY, P.C.

By: _____


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VERIFICATION

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

Robert Pierini, Vice President – Land, 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
Vice President - Land

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 8 th day of December 2017 by Robert Pierini, Vice President - Land, for Bison Oil & Gas II, LLC.

Witness my hand and official seal.

ABIGAIL WENK
NOTARY PUBLIC
STATE OF COLORADO
NOTARY ID 20164009689
MY COMMISSION EXPIRES MARCH 8, 2020



Notary Public
My Commission Expires: March 8, 2020

EXHIBIT A

INTERESTED PARTIES

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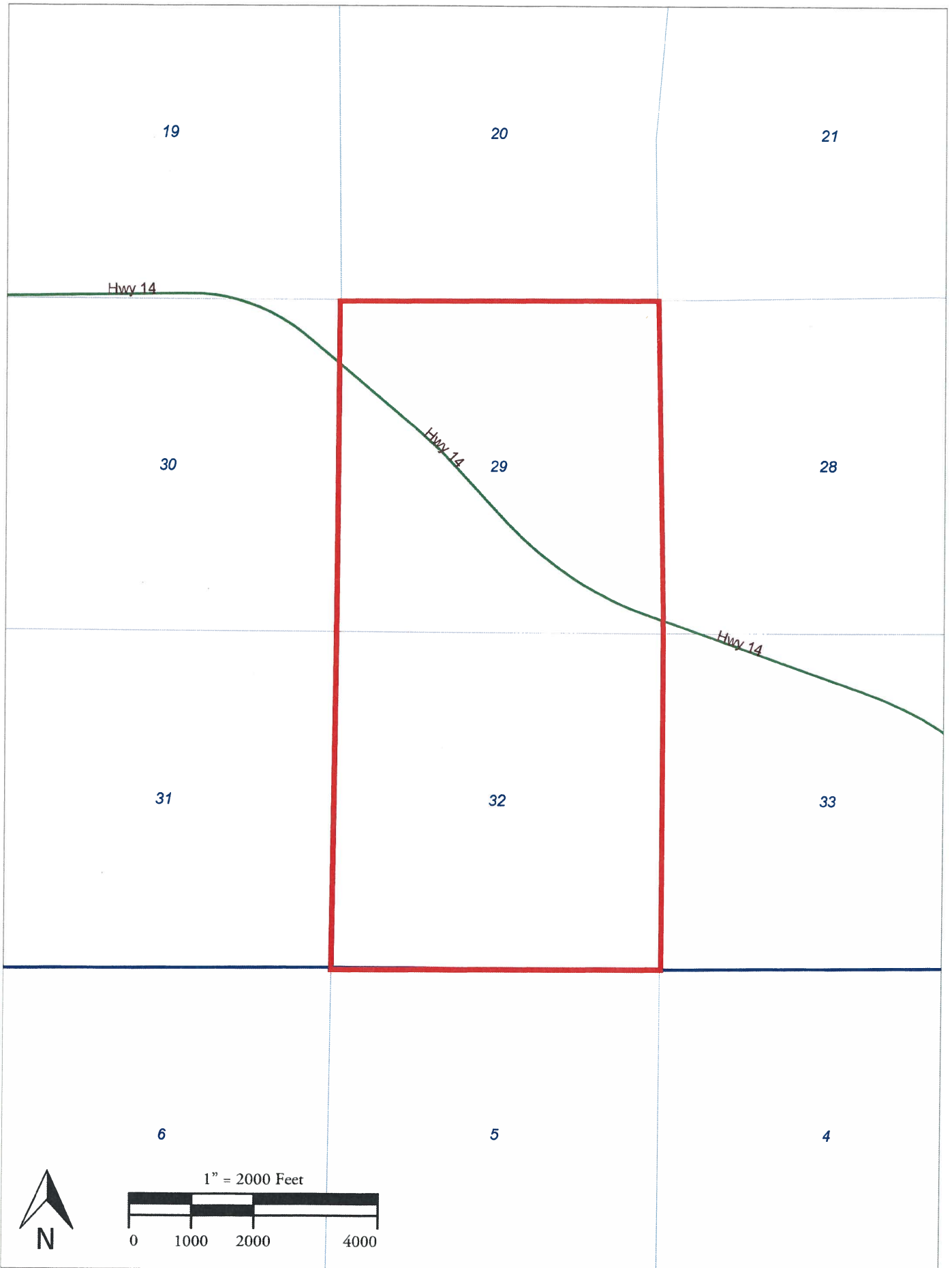
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Morning Gun Exploration
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HERV Oil, LLC
Carrizo Niobrara
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IOCL USA, Inc.
Haimo Oil & Gas LLC
Verdad Resources, LLC
A & E Ranch, LLC
The Dewey E. and Lourene E. Miller
Trust UTD 3-16-2001
Knut Wilson Barnes, aka Knute W.
Barnes aka Knute Barnes
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aka Bennett Richard Houston S. Mark
Springston, Personal Representative
The Rogers Family, LLC
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Janette M. Kuehn
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William Thomas
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aka Walter Thomas "
Beth Martin
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PH Inc.
GY Group Inc.
SevenWays Minerals Ltd.
Randal James Farr
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B & J Resources LLC
Incline Niobrara Partners LP
LMA Royalties Ltd.
Grayrock Minerals LLC
Steven A. Winter
Synergy Resources Corp.
AMCON Resources Inc.
Mitchell Minerals LLC
Domino Wyoming Oil Company
Freeport-McMoran Oil & Gas LLC
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Living Trust
Brent T. Helland
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c/o Brent T. Helland, Trustee"
Eric L. Helland
Helena Marie DeFord
D. Dale DeFord
Doris V. DeFord
Thomas M. Brown
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Exhibit B - Application Lands



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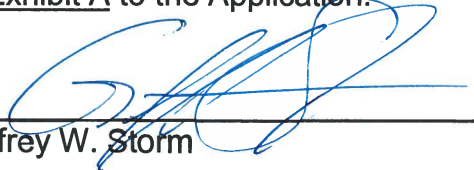
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AFFIDAVIT OF MAILING

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I, Geoffrey W. Storm, of lawful age, and being first duly sworn upon my oath, state and declare:

That I am the attorney for Bison Oil & Gas II, LLC and that on or before December 15, 2017, I caused a copy of the attached Application to be deposited in the United States mail, postage prepaid, addressed to the parties listed on Exhibit A to the Application.



Geoffrey W. Storm

Subscribed and sworn to before me December 12, 2017.

Witness my hand and official seal.

JOAN E. HOOVER
NOTARY PUBLIC
STATE OF COLORADO
NOTARY ID 19944011557
MY COMMISSION EXPIRES AUGUST 17, 2018



Notary Public
My commission expires: August 17, 2018