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

IN THE MATTER OF THE **AMENDED** APPLICATION OF RAISA ENERGY, LLC FOR ORDER ΑN TO ESTABLISH AN APPROXIMATE 1,280-ACRE DRILLING AND SPACING UNIT FOR SECTIONS 35 AND 36, TOWNSHIP 1 NORTH, RANGE 66 WEST, 6<sup>TH</sup> P.M. **AND SECTION 1, TOWNSHIP 1** SOUTH, RANGE 66 WEST, 6<sup>TH</sup> P.M. AND TO APPROVE UP TO TWENTY-TWO ONE (221) HORIZONTAL WELLS IN THE 1.280-ACRE UNIT FOR THE PRODUCTION OF OIL, GAS AND ASSOCIATED HYDROCARBONS FROM THE CODELL AND NIOBRARA FORMATIONS. WATTENBERG FIELD, ADAMS AND WELD COUNTIES, COLORADO

CAUSE NO. 407

DOCKET NO. 180400360

TYPE: SPACING

## **AMENDED APPLICATION**

COMES NOW Raisa Energy, LLC (Operator No. 10636) ("Applicant"), by and through its undersigned attorneys, and respectfully submits this **Amended** Application to the Oil and Gas Conservation Commission of the State of Colorado (the "Commission") for an order to establish an approximate 1280-acre drilling and spacing unit for Sections **35 and** 36, Township 1 North, Range 66 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M. and Section 1, Township 1 South, Range 66 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M., and to approve up to twenty-**two** one (221) horizontal wells in the proposed approximate 1,280-acre drilling and spacing unit, for the production of oil, gas, and associated hydrocarbons from the Codell and Niobrara Formations underlying the below-described lands. In support of its **Amended** Application, Applicant states and alleges as follows:

- 1. Applicant is a limited liability company duly authorized to conduct business in the State of Colorado, and is a registered operator in good standing with the Commission.
- 2. Applicant is an Owner and/or Operator as defined by the Colorado Oil and Gas Conservation Act, § 34-60-103(7) and the Commission 100 Series Rules, owns leasehold interests and/or has the right to drill and produce on the following lands (hereafter "Application Lands"):

Township 1 North, Range 66 West, 6th P.M.

Section 35: All Section 36: All

Township 1 South, Range 66 West, 6th P.M.

Section 1: All

Weld and Adams Countyties, Colorado.

1,280 acres, more or less,

A reference map of the Application Lands is attached hereto.

- 3. On April 27, 1998, the Commission adopted Rule 318A, the Greater Wattenberg Area Special Well Location, Spacing and Unit Designation Rule.
- 4. On February 19, 1992 (amended August 20, 1993), the Commission entered Order No. 407-87 which, among other things, established 80-acre drilling and spacing units for the production of oil, gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Codell and Niobrara Formations underlying certain lands, with permitted well locations in accordance with the provisions of Order No. 407-1.
- 5. The Commission records reflect that there are no producing horizontal wells in the Application Lands.
- 6. On October 5, 2017, Verdad filed an Application in Docket No. 171200793 to, among other things, establish an approximate 1,153.19-acre drilling and spacing unit and to authorize the drilling, completion and operation of up to twenty (20) horizontal wells within the drilling and spacing unit for production of the Codell and Niobrara Formations for the following lands ("Verdad Application Lands"):

Township 1 South, Range 65 West, 6th P.M. Section 6: All

Township 1 South, Range 66 West, 6th P.M. Section 1: All

1,153.19-acres, more or less, Adams County, Colorado.

- 7. Docket No. 171200793 is protested and has not yet been resolved or heard by the Commission.
- 6. To promote efficient drainage within the Fort Hays, Carlile, Codell and Niobrara Formations of the Application Lands, to protect correlative rights and to avoid waste, the Commission should deny the Verdad Application in Docket No. 171200793 and establish an approximate 1,280-acre drilling and spacing unit for the Application Lands, and approve up to twenty-two ene (221) horizontal wells within the unit, for the efficient and economic development and operation of the Codell and Niobrara Formations.

- 7. The above-proposed drilling and spacing unit will allow efficient drainage of the Codell and Niobrara Formations; will prevent waste; will not adversely affect correlative rights and will assure the greatest ultimate recovery of gas and associated hydrocarbon substances from the reservoirs. The unit of the size and shape specified above is not smaller than the maximum area that can be economically and efficiently drained by the proposed well in the unit.
- 8. Raisa maintains that there will be no more than four (4) new well pads in the unit, or adjacent thereto, unless an exception is granted by the Director.
- 9. The productive interval of each proposed horizontal well shall be no closer than 460 feet from the boundaries of the proposed 1,280-acre unit (regardless of lease lines within the unit), unless an exception is granted by the Director, and all horizontal wells shall be no closer than 150 feet from the productive interval of another well producing from the same supply within the unit, unless a waiver or consent is obtained from the operator of such well.
- 10. Raisa is requesting to drill and complete up to twenty-two one (221) new horizontal wells (at the time of this filing, the horizontal wells are intended to be oriented in east/west north/south or west/east south/north orientation) in the proposed approximate 1,280-acre drilling and spacing unit for the efficient and economic development of oil, gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Codell and Niobrara Formations underlying the Application Lands.
- 11. The undersigned certifies that copies of this Application will be served on each interested party as required by Rule 507 within seven (7) days of the filing hereof, as required by Rule 503.e.
- 12. The granting of this **Amended** Application is in accord with the Oil and Gas Conservation Act, found at §§ 34-60-101 *et seq.*, C.R.S., and the Commission Rules.
- 13. Applicant requests that relief granted under this **Amended** Application should be effective on oral order by the Commission, and Applicant hereby agrees to be bound by said oral order.

WHEREFORE, Raisa respectfully requests that this matter be set for hearing in **June 11**, April 30, 2018, that notice be given as required by law, and that upon such hearing, the Commission enter its order to:

A. Establish an approximate 1,280-acre drilling and spacing unit for Sections 35 and 36, Township 1 North, Range 66 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M. and Section 1, Township 1 South, Range 66 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M. and approve up to twenty-**two** one (2**2**1) new horizontal wells in the unit, for the production of oil, gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Codell and Niobrara Formations in the unit.

- B. Providing that the productive interval of each proposed horizontal well shall be no closer than 460 feet from the boundaries of the proposed unit (regardless of lease lines within the unit), and no closer than 150 feet from the productive interval of any other wellbore within the unit, unless an exception is granted by the Director, and authorizing up to four (4) new well pads within the unit, or adjacent thereto, unless an exception is granted by the Director.
- C. Finding that the approximate 1,280-acre drilling and spacing unit for the development of oil, gas, and associated hydrocarbons from the Codell and Niobrara Formations underlying the Application Lands will prevent waste, protect correlative rights, and maximize the efficient and economic production of the Codell and Niobrara Formations in for Sections 35 and 36, Township 1 North, Range 66 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M.
- D. For such other findings and orders as the Commission may deem proper or advisable in this matter.

DATED **April 18**, 2018.

Respectfully submitted:

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## **VERIFICATION**

STATE OF COLORADO	)
CITY AND COUNTY OF DENVER	) ss. )
Casey Harless, of lawful age, being first duly sworn upon oath, deposes and says that he is a Vice President – Vice President of Land for Raisa Energy, LLC and that he has read the foregoing Application and that the matters therein contained are true to the best of his knowledge, information and belief.  Casey Harless Raisa Energy	
Subscribed and sworn to before me this day of <b>April</b> , 2018.	
Witness my hand and official seal.	KATHERINE MORROW Notary Public
[SEAL]	State of Colorado Notary ID # 20174034759 My Commission Expires 08-17-2021
My commission expires: 08-11-203	21
Notary Public	

Reference Map Raisa Energy

Sections 35 and 36, Township 1 North, Range 66 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M.

