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

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF 8 NORTH,	)	
LLC, FOR AN ORDER POOLING ALL INTERESTS WITHIN	)	CAUSE NO. 421
THE APPROXIMATE 1,253.796-ACRE DRILLING AND	)	
SPACING UNIT ESTABLISHED FOR SECTIONS 24 & 25,	)	DOCKET NO. To be assigned
TOWNSHIP 12 NORTH, RANGE 62 WEST, 6 <sup>TH</sup> P.M., FOR	)	
DEVELOPMENT AND OPERATION OF THE NIOBRARA	)	TYPE: Pooling
FORMATION, WHILE AUTHORIZING COST RECOVERY	)	
AND RISK PENALTIES FROM NONCONSENTING	)	
OWNERS FOR THE SILVERBACK 25N-20-3N WELL	)	
LOCATED WITHIN THE UNIT, HEREFORD FIELD, WELD	)	
COUNTY, COLORADO	)	

#### APPLICATION

8 North, LLC ("8 North" or "Applicant"), Operator #10575, by and through its below-signed attorneys, Poulson, Odell & Peterson, LLC, respectfully submits this application to the Oil and Gas Conservation Commission of the State of Colorado ("Commission" or "COGCC") for an order: (1) correcting Order No. 421-21 to reflect the Commission established an approximate 1,253.796-acre drilling and spacing unit for Sections 24 and 25, Township 12 North, Range 63 West, Range 62 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M., for production of oil, gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Niobrara Formation, and (2) pooling all interests in the approximate 1,253.796-acre drilling and spacing unit established for Sections 24 and 25, Township 12 North, Range 62 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M., for the development and operation of the Niobrara Formation, and authorizing the recovery of costs and statutory risk penalties from nonconsenting owners for the drilling, completion and operation of the Silverback 25N-20-3N well. In support of this application ("Application"), Applicant states and alleges as follows:

- 1. Applicant is a corporation duly authorized to conduct business in the State of Colorado and has registered as an operator with the COGCC.
- 2. Applicant owns substantial leasehold interests in the below-listed lands ("Application Lands"):

Township 12 North, Range 62 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M.

Section 24: All (that portion which lies in the State of Colorado,

approximate 613.796 acres

Section 25: All

The Application Lands comprise 1,253.796-acres, more or less. An Application Map depicting the Application Lands is attached hereto and marked Exhibit A.

3. On October 21, 2010, the Commission issued Order No. 421-3 which, among other things, established two approximate 640-acre drilling and spacing units for Section 24 and Section 25, Township 12 North, Range 62 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M., with authority to drill one horizontal well within each unit, for production of oil, gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Niobrara Formation.

- 4. On January 7, 2013, the Commission issued Order No. 421-21 which, among other things, vacated two approximate 640-acre drilling and spacing units established for Sections 24 and Section 25, Township 12 North, Range 62 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M., with authority to drill one horizontal well within each unit, for production of oil, gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Niobrara Formation, and incorrectly established an approximate 1,240-acre drilling and spacing unit for Sections 24 and 25, Township 12 North, Range 63 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M., and authorized the drilling of ten horizontal wells within the unit, for production of oil, gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Niobrara Formation. Order No. 421-21 should be corrected to reflect the appropriate lands wherein an approximate 1,253.796-acre drilling and spacing unit was established for the Application Lands (Sections 24 and 25, Township 12 North, Range 63 West, Range 62 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M.), for production of oil, gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Niobrara Formation.
- 5. Acting pursuant to relevant provisions of §34-60-116(6), C.R.S., Applicant seeks an order: (1) correcting Order No. 421-21 to reflect the Commission established an approximate 1,253.796-acre drilling and spacing unit for Sections 24 and 25, Township 12 North, Range 63 West, Range 62 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M., for production of oil, gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Niobrara Formation, and (2) pooling all interests in the approximate 1,253.796-acre drilling and spacing unit established for Sections 24 and 25, Township 12 North, Range 62 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M., for the development and operation of the Niobrara Formation, and authorizing the recovery of costs and statutory risk penalties from nonconsenting owners for the drilling, completion and operation of the Silverback 25N-20-3N well (API #05-123-42282) ("Well").
- 6. Rule 530. provides that an application for involuntary pooling may be filed at any time prior or after the drilling of a well, with any pooling order retroactive to the date the Application is filed with the Commission unless the payor agrees otherwise.
- 7. The Applicant will provide Rule 530. well election materials to certain putative nonconsenting owners within the approximate 1,253.796-acre unit area established for the Application Lands, and allow those owners at least 60 days to make an election as to their participation in the drilling of certain authorized wells, or leasing their interests, if unleased.
- 8. Acting pursuant to §34-60-116(6) & (7), C.R.S., and Rule 530., Applicant hereby seeks an order authorizing cost recovery and statutory risk penalties, associated with the drilling, completion and operation of certain authorized wells, from interests belonging to any nonconsenting owners, for the development and operation of the Niobrara Formation.
- 9. The granting of this Application is in accord with the Oil and Gas Conservation Act found at §34-60-101, *et seq.*, C.R.S., and the COGCC rules.
- 10. Applicant requests that relief granted as result of this Application should be effective on oral order by the Commission, and Applicant hereby agrees to be bound by the oral order of the Commission.

11. That the names and addresses of interested parties (those persons who own any interest in the mineral estate of the tracts to be pooled, except owners of overriding royalty interest) according to the information and belief of the Applicant will be set forth in <u>Exhibit B</u> and submitted with a certificate of service for the Application within seven days as required by Rule 503.e.

WHEREFORE, Applicant respectfully requests this matter be set for hearing, notice be given as required by law, and that upon such hearing the Commission enter its order:

- A. Correcting Order No. 421-21 to reflect the Commission established an approximate **1,253.796-acre** drilling and spacing unit for Sections 24 and 25, Township 12 North, Range 63 West, Range 62 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M., for production of oil, gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Niobrara Formation.
- B. Pooling all interests in the approximate 1,253.796-acre drilling and spacing unit established for the Application Lands, for development and operation of the Niobrara Formation, and and authorizing the recovery of costs and statutory risk penalties from nonconsenting owners for the drilling, completion and operation of the Well.
- C. Providing that the interests of any owners, with whom the Applicant has been unable to secure a lease or other agreement to participate in the drilling of the Well, for production of oil, gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Niobrara Formation, having been pooled by operation of statute, pursuant to §34-60-116(6) & (7), C.R.S., are made subject to cost recovery and risk penalties provided therein.
- D. For such other findings and orders as the Commission may deem proper or advisable given the premises.

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DATED this	day of August, 2018.						
	Respectfully submitted,						
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CITY & COUNTY OF DE	) ss. IVER )						
	ndman for 8 North, LLC, upon oath deposes and says that he has read the that the statements contained therein are true to the best of his knowledge,						
	8 NORTH, LLC Sean Flanagan						
Subscribed and sw Landman for 8 North, LLC.	forn to before me this 3022 day of August, 2018, by Sean Flanagan,						
Witness my hand a	nd official seal.						

ANGELA CHRISTINE NICKEL
NOTARY PUBLIC
STATE OF COLORADO
NOTARY ID 20184003200
MY COMMISSION EXPIRES JANUARY 18, 2022

My commission expires:

Notary Public

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## **CERTIFICATE OF MAILING**

I, Bridget Wittrock, hereby certify that on the 3rd day of May, 2019, I caused a copy of (i) the Application and (ii) the Notice of Hearing in the above-referenced Docket Number to be deposited in the U.S. Mail, postage prepaid, addressed to the parties listed on Exhibit B attached hereto.

DATED this 6th day of May, 2019.

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### **EXHIBIT B**

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