

**BEFORE THE OIL & GAS CONSERVATION COMMISSION  
OF THE STATE OF COLORADO**

IN THE MATTER OF AN APPLICATION BY NOBLE ENERGY, INC. FOR AN ORDER AMENDING COMMISSION ORDER 407-2298 TO INCLUDE ADDITIONAL FORMATIONS, FOR HORIZONTAL WELL DEVELOPMENT OF THE NIOBRARA AND SHARON SPRINGS FORMATIONS, WATTENBERG FIELD, WELD COUNTY, COLORADO

CAUSE NO. 407

DOCKET NO.

TYPE: POOLING

**APPLICATION**

Noble Energy, Inc., Operator No. 100322 ("Noble" or "Applicant"), by and through its attorneys, Beatty & Wozniak, P.C., respectfully submits this Application to the Oil and Gas Conservation Commission of the State of Colorado ("Commission") for an order amending Commission Order No. 407-2298, only as to Wellbore Spacing Unit No. 3, to amend the formations to be pooled within Wellbore Spacing Unit No. 3 for the Bison Ridge Y22-779 Well, for the production of oil, gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Niobrara and Sharon Springs Formations. In support of its 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 Commission.

2. Applicant is an owner in the below-listed lands:

Township 2 North, Range 64 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M.

Section 10: W $\frac{1}{2}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$

Section 15: W $\frac{1}{2}$ W $\frac{1}{2}$

Section 22: W $\frac{1}{2}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ , NW $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$

360 acres, more or less, in Weld County, Colorado

(These lands are hereinafter referred to as the "Application Lands" and depicted in Exhibit A attached hereto.)

3. On April 27, 1998, the Commission adopted Rule 318A, the Greater Wattenberg Area Special Well Location, Spacing and Unit Designation Rule. Sections 10, 15 and 22, Township 2 North, Range 64 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M., are subject to this Rule for the Niobrara and Sharon Springs Formations.

4. On December 11, 2017, the Commission entered Order No. 407-2298 which, among other things, pooled all interests in two approximate 720-acre horizontal wellbore spacing units, and one approximate 360-acre horizontal wellbore spacing unit, for the below described lands, for the development and operation of the Niobrara Formation:

Township 2 North, Range 64 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M.

Section 10: SW $\frac{1}{4}$   
Section 15: W $\frac{1}{2}$   
Section 22: NW $\frac{1}{4}$ , N $\frac{1}{2}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$

**Wellbore Spacing Unit ("WSU") No. 1**

Bison Ridge Y22-764 Well – Niobrara Formation

**WSU No. 2**

Bison Ridge Y22-771 Well – Niobrara Formation

Township 2 North, Range 64 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M.

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**WSU No. 3**

Bison Ridge Y22-779 Well – Niobrara Formation

5. WSU No. 3 was pooled for the Bison Ridge Y22-779 Well, for production from the Niobrara Formation, based on the initial plan for the Bison Ridge Y22-779 Well. As drilled, the Bison Ridge Y22-779 Well has been completed to the Niobrara and Sharon Springs Formations. Applicant has filed the necessary Form 4 Sundry Notice with the Commission for the Bison Ridge Y22-779 Well. Further, Applicant has re-noticed the appropriate parties within the modified WSU No. 3 to address the additional formation. The re-noticed Rule 318A letters were sent via certified mail on May 8, 2018. There were no new parties to be noticed as a result of the unit modification.

6. Applicant requests Pooling Order No. 407-2298 be amended to account for the additional formation in WSU No. 3, and thereby pool the interests in the Application Lands, resulting in an approximate 360-acre wellbore spacing unit for development and operation of the Niobrara and Sharon Springs Formations, effective as of the earlier of the date of Pooling Order No. 407-2298, or the date the costs specific in §34-60-116(7)(b), C.R.S., are first incurred for the drilling of the Bison Ridge Y22-779 Well.

7. The granting of this Application is in accordance with the Oil and Gas Conservation Act, found at §§34-60-101, *et seq.*, C.R.S., and the Commission rules.

8. Applicant requests that relief granted under this Application should be effective on oral order by the Commission, and Applicant hereby agrees to be bound by said oral order.

9. 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.

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:

1. Amending Pooling Order No. 407-2298 to account for the adjustment to WSU No. 3, and thereby pool the interests in the Application Lands, being an approximate 360-acre wellbore spacing unit for development and operation of the Niobrara and Sharon Springs Formations, effective as of the earlier of the date of Pooling Order No. 407-2298, or the date the costs specific in §34-60-116(7)(b), C.R.S., are first incurred for the drilling of the Bison Ridge Y22-779 Well.

2. For such other findings and orders as the Commission may deem proper or advisable in the premises.

DATED this 12<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2018.

Respectfully submitted,

**NOBLE ENERGY, INC.**

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VERIFICATION

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

Ryan D. Antonio, Attorney-In-Fact for Noble Energy, Inc., 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.

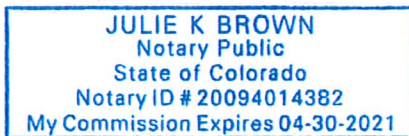
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Ryan D. Antonio

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 9<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2018, RSD  
MP  
by Ryan D. Antonio, Attorney-In-Fact for Noble Energy, Inc.

Witness my hand and official seal.

My commission expires: 04/30/2021



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Notary Public 

Exhibit A

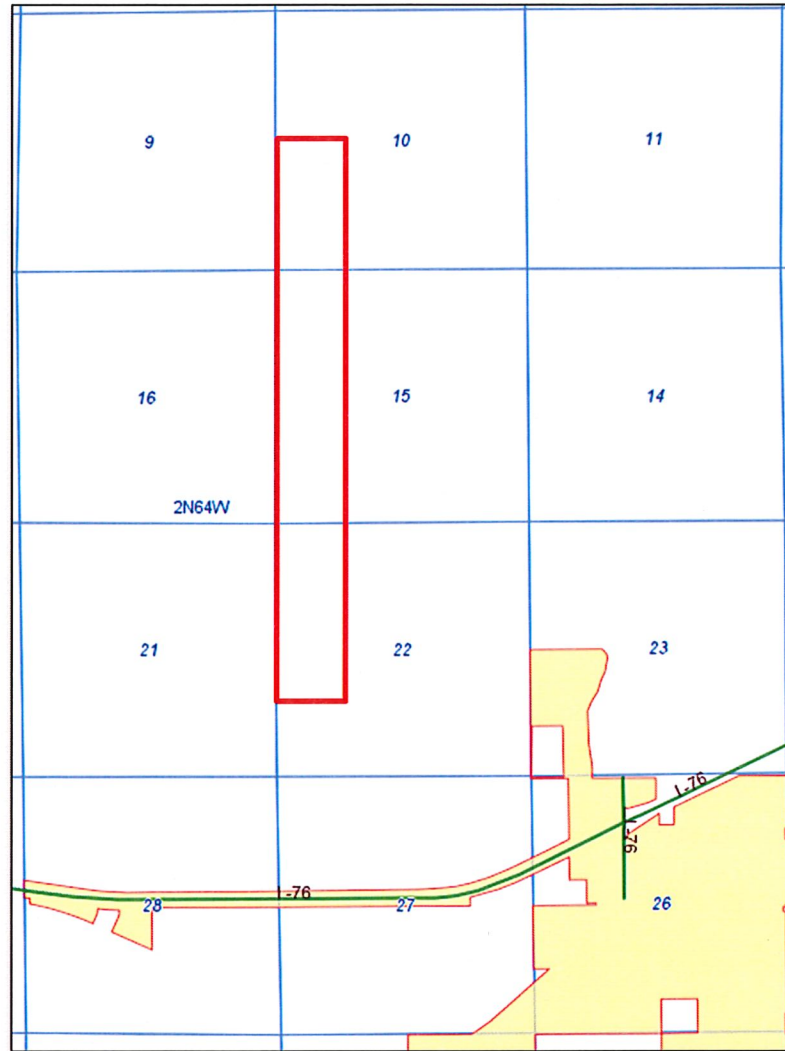
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**TERESA L. PETERSON**  
**NOTARY PUBLIC**  
**STATE OF COLORADO**  
NOTARY ID 19894002026  
MY COMMISSION EXPIRES OCTOBER 4, 2021

## EXHIBIT A

### INTERESTED PARTIES

The names and addresses of the interested parties (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 are set forth in this Exhibit A.

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