

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

IN THE MATTER OF THE PROMULGATION)	CAUSE NO.
AND ESTABLISHMENT OF FIELD RULES)	
TO GOVERN OPERATIONS FOR THE)	DOCKET NO.
NIOBRARA AND CODELL FORMATIONS,)	
WATTENBERG FIELD, WELD COUNTY,)	TYPE: SPACING
COLORADO)	

APPLICATION

Verdad Resources LLC (Operator No. 10651) (“Verdad” or “Applicant”), by and through its attorneys Burns, Figa & Will, P.C., respectfully submits this Application to the Oil and Gas Conservation Commission of the State of Colorado (the “Commission”) for an order to: establish an approximate 1,280-acre drilling and spacing unit for the Application Lands for the production of oil, gas, and associated hydrocarbons from the Niobrara and Codell Formations, and approve up to sixteen (16) horizontal wells drilled from a maximum of three (3) well pads for the production of oil, gas, and associated hydrocarbons from the Niobrara and Codell Formations on the following described lands:

Township 2 North, Range 63 West, 6th P.M.

Section 17: All

Section 20: All

Weld County, Colorado (containing a total of approximately 1,280 acres)

Referred to herein as the “Application Lands.” A reference map depicting the Application Lands is attached hereto and marked as Exhibit B.

In support of its Application, Verdad states and alleges as follows:

1. Verdad is a corporation duly authorized to do business in Colorado and is registered as an operator in good standing with the Commission.
2. Verdad is an Owner with the right to drill into and produce from the Application Lands.
3. On April 27, 1998, the Commission adopted Rule 318A, the Greater Wattenberg Area Special Well Location, Spacing and Unit Designation Rule. Sections 17 and 20, Township 2 North, Range 63 West, 6th P.M., are subject to this rule for the Niobrara and Codell Formations.
4. As of the date of this Application, the COGCC has not published any orders affecting spacing of the Application Lands for the Niobrara and Codell Formations.

5. According to COGIS records, the Application Lands contain no wells designated as producing, shut in, or temporarily abandoned.

6. Verdad requests that the Commission approve the development of up to sixteen (16) horizontal wells in the proposed approximate 1,280-acre drilling and spacing unit for the production of oil, gas, and associated hydrocarbons from the Niobrara and Codell Formations. The wells will be stacked by formation to comply with the minimum distances from the outer boundaries of the proposed drilling and spacing unit and from any other well producing from the Niobrara and Codell Formations.

7. Applicant states that, for any permitted wells to be drilled under this Application, the productive intervals of the wellbores shall be no less than 460 feet from the unit boundaries. Applicant further states that the interwell setbacks shall be no less than 150 feet from the productive interval of any other well producing from the Niobrara and Codell Formations unless an exception is granted by the Director.

8. The proposed wells shall be drilled from a maximum of three (3) well pads located within the approximate 1,280-acre drilling and spacing unit, or on adjacent lands with consent of the landowner, unless an exception is granted by the Director.

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

10. Verdad requests that the relief granted under this Application be effective upon oral order of the Commission, and Verdad hereby agrees to be bound by such oral order.

11. The names of the interested parties, according to Verdad's information and belief, are set forth in the attached Exhibit A, and the undersigned certifies that copies of this Application will be served on each interested party at least thirty-five (35) days in advance of any Commission hearing at which the matter will first be heard, pursuant to Rule 507.

WHEREFORE, Verdad respectfully requests that this matter be set for hearing at the next available opportunity, that notice be given as required by law, and that the Commission enter an Order to:

- A. Establish an approximate 1,280-acre drilling and spacing unit for the Application Lands and approve up to sixteen (16) horizontal wells in the proposed unit, for production of oil, gas, and associated hydrocarbons from the Niobrara and Codell Formations;
- B. Require the productive interval of the wellbore of any permitted wells in the unit to be located no closer than 460 feet from the unit boundaries;

- C. Require that the productive interval of the wellbore of any permitted wells in the unit be located no closer than 150 feet from the productive interval of any other wellbore located in the unit; and
- D. Provide that the wells shall be drilled from a maximum of three (3) well pads within the unit subject to Rule 318A or on adjacent lands, unless an exception is granted by the Director.

[SIGNATURE PAGE FOLLOWS]

DATED this 18th day of October, 2018.

Respectfully submitted,

VERDAD RESOURCES LLC

By:



Michael T. Jewell, Esq. #40902

Courtney M. Shephard, Esq. #47668

Burns, Figa & Will, P.C.

6400 S. Fiddler's Green Circle – Suite 1000

Greenwood Village, CO 80111

Verdad Resources LLC
Lemar Safi, Landman
5950 Cedar Springs Road, Suite 200
Dallas, TX 75235-6803

Exhibit A

Interested Party List
Spacing Application

Township 2 North, Range 63 West, 6th P.M.
Section 17: All
Section 20: All

Verdad Resources LLC	Weld County Department of Planning Services
Colorado Parks and Wildlife	Colorado Department of Public Health & Environment
Noble Energy Inc.	Anadarko Land Corporation
Wayne Mathisen	HighPoint Operating Corporation
DPOC LLC	

Exhibit B

Reference Map of Application Lands

