

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

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF  
CCRP OPERATING, INC. (OPERATOR NO.  
10665) FOR AN ORDER 1) **VACATING ORDER  
NO. 421-53; 2) VACATING ORDER NO. 421-70;  
3) AMENDING ORDER NO. 421-46 TO INCLUDE  
THE NIOBRARA, FORT HAYS AND CARLILE  
FORMATIONS; 4) APPROVING UP TO 14  
HORIZONTAL WELLS WITHIN AN  
ESTABLISHED APPROXIMATE 1,302.8-ACRE  
DRILLING AND SPACING UNIT IN SECTIONS  
14: LOTS 1-4 (COLORADO), 23: ALL AND 26:  
ALL, TOWNSHIP 12 NORTH, RANGE 64 WEST,  
6<sup>TH</sup> P.M. AND APPROVING 300' UNIT  
BOUNDARY SETBACKS FOR THE NIOBRARA,  
FORT HAYS, CODELL AND CARLILE  
FORMATIONS FOR THE PRODUCTION OF OIL,  
GAS AND ASSOCIATED HYDROCARBONS  
FROM THE NIOBRARA, FORT HAYS, CODELL  
AND CARLILE FORMATIONS, HEREFORD  
FIELD, WELD COUNTY, COLORADO**

CAUSE NO. 421

DOCKET NO. 190300246

TYPE: INCREASED DENSITY

**AMENDED APPLICATION**

CCRP Operating, Inc. (Operator No. 10665) ("CCRP" or "Applicant"), by and through its attorneys, Jost Energy Law, P.C., respectfully submits this Application to the Oil and Gas Conservation Commission of the State of Colorado (the "Commission") for an order: **1) vacating Order No. 421-53 which established an approximate 1302.07-acre drilling and spacing unit for the Niobrara Formation; 2) vacate Order No. 421-70 in its entirety; 3) amending Order No. 421-46 to include the Niobrara, Fort Hays and Carlile Formations in the approximate 1302.08-acre drilling and spacing unit established for Codell Formation, for the production of oil, gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Niobrara, Fort Hays, Codell and Carlile Formations; 4) approving an additional ten (10) horizontal wells within the unit, for a total of up to 14 total horizontal wells in an established approximate 1,302.08-acre drilling and spacing unit, approving 300' setbacks as to the boundaries of the drilling and spacing unit for production from the Niobrara, Fort Hays, Codell and Carlile Formations, and approving 150' inter-well setbacks from any wellbore drilled or produced from the respective same formation within the unit underlying the below-described lands. In support of its Application, Applicant states and alleges as follows:**

1. Applicant is a corporation duly organized and 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 as defined by the Colorado Oil and Gas Conservation Act and Commission Rules and owns leasehold interests or holds the right to operate on the following lands (hereafter "Application Lands"):

Township 12 North, Range 64 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M.  
Section 14: Lots 1-4 (Colorado Only)  
Section 23: All  
Section 26: All

Weld County, Colorado, 1,302.08-acres, more or less.

A reference map of the Application Lands is attached hereto.

3. **On October 22, 2010, the Commission entered Order No. 421-3 which established 83 approximate 640-acre drilling and spacing units for certain lands, including Section 23, Township 12 North, Range 64 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M., and approving one horizontal well within each unit, for the production of oil, gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Niobrara Formation.**

4. **On February 22, 2011, the Commission entered Order No. 421-5 which added Section 14 (Lots 1, 2, 3, and 4), Township 12 North, Range 64 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M. into an approximate 640-acre drilling and spacing unit previously established for Section 23, Township 12 North, Range 64 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M., for the production of oil, gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Niobrara Formation.**

5. On December 15, 2014, the Commission entered Order No. 421-46 which, among other things, established an approximate 1,302.08-acre drilling and spacing unit for the Application Lands and approved up to four horizontal wells within the unit, for the development and operation of the Codell Formation, with the productive interval of the wellbore to be located no closer than 600 feet from the productive interval of any other wellbore producing from the Codell Formation, and no closer than 300 feet from a unit boundary unless such boundary abuts or corners lands for which the Commission has not at the time of the drilling permit application granted the right to locate the productive interval of the wellbore no closer than 300 feet from a unit boundary, without an exception being granted by the Director.

6. On December 15, 2014, the Commission entered Order No. 421-53 which, among other things, vacated Order No. 421-3 as to Section 23 of the Application Lands and Order No. 421-5 in its entirety and established an approximate 1,302.07-acre drilling and spacing unit and approved up to two horizontal wells within the unit, for the development and operation of the Niobrara Formation, with the productive interval of the wellbore to be located no closer than 600 feet from the unit boundaries and no closer than 150 feet from the productive interval of any other wellbore located in the unit.

7. On July 20, 2015, the Commission entered Order No. 421-66 which, among other things, pooled the Cox 5 Well (API No. 123-41935-00) pursuant to 34-60-116, C.R.S. **for the Codell Formation** and applied cost-recovery penalties allowed under 34-60-116(7)(b)(II) to non-consenting parties.

8. On September 14, 2015, the Commission entered Order No. 421-70 which, among other things, allowed a total of seven horizontal wells for the production of oil, gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Niobrara Formation underlying the Application Lands with the productive interval of any well drilled for the Niobrara Formation to be located no closer than 600 feet from the unit boundaries, and not less than 150 feet from the treated interval of any well drilled in the Niobrara Formation, unless an exception is granted by the Director. Order No. 421-70 further allowed a total of six horizontal wells for the production of oil, gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Codell Formation underlying the Application Lands with the productive interval of the wellbore drilled for the Codell Formation to be located no closer than 300 feet from the unit boundaries unless such boundary abuts or corners lands for which the Commission has not at the time of the drilling permit application granted the right to locate the productive interval of the wellbore no closer than 300 feet from a unit boundary, and not less than 150 feet from the treated interval of any well from the Codell Formation, without an exception being granted by the Director.

9. The Commission records show that there are no vertical wells drilled or permitted on the Application Lands. Commission records further show that there is one producing horizontal well on the Application Lands **to the Codell Formation**– the Cox 5 Well (API No. 123-41935-00) – which is operated by Applicant. Applicant confirms that Cox 5 well will remain unaffected by this Application.

10. Applicant is requesting to **vacate Order No. 421-53 which established an approximate 1302.07-acre drilling and spacing unit for the Niobrara Formation; vacate Order No. 421-70 in its entirety; amend Order Nos. 421-46 to include the Niobrara, Fort Hays and Carlile Formations in the approximate 1302.08-acre drilling and spacing unit established for Codell Formation, for the production of oil, gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Niobrara, Fort Hays, Codell and Carlile Formations and approve an additional ten (10) horizontal wells within the unit, for a total of drill and complete-up to fourteen (14) total horizontal wells within the requested approximate 1,302.08-acre drilling and spacing unit in order to efficiently and economically recover the oil, gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Niobrara, Fort Hays, Codell and Carlile Formations underlying the Application Lands and maintains that there will be no adverse effect on correlative rights of adjacent owners.**

11. The development of the approximate 1,302.08-acre drilling and spacing unit from a total of 14 horizontal wells will allow efficient drainage of the Niobrara, Fort Hays, Codell and Carlile 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.

**12** Applicant confirms that the horizontal wells proposed for the development of the Niobrara, Fort Hays, Codell and Carlile Formations underlying the Application Lands will be located and drilled from no more than four wellpads, unless an exception is granted by the Director, and such surface locations may be on adjacent lands or on lands located within the State of Wyoming, unless an exception is granted by the Director.

**13** The productive interval of each horizontal well shall be no closer than 300 feet from the boundaries of the unit for the Niobrara, Fort Hays, Codell or Carlile Formations, and all horizontal wells shall be no closer than 150 feet from the productive interval of any other well drilled and produced within the unit to the respective **same** formation, unless an exception is granted by the Director.

**14** The undersigned certifies that copies of this Application will be served on each interested party as required by Rule 507.a.(2).

WHEREFORE, Applicant respectfully requests that this matter be set for hearing on March 11-12, 2019, that notice be given as required by law, and that upon such hearing this Commission enter its order:

**A. Vacating Order No. 421-53 which established the approximate 1302.07-acre drilling and spacing unit established for the Niobrara Formation;**

**B. Vacating Order No. 421-70 in its entirety;**

**C. Amending Order No. 421-46 to include the Niobrara, Fort Hays and Carlile Formations in the approximate 1302.08-acre drilling and spacing unit established for Codell Formation, for the production of oil, gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Niobrara, Fort Hays, Codell and Carlile Formations;**

**D. Approving an additional ten (10) horizontal wells within the unit, for a total of up to 14 total horizontal wells within the established approximate 1,302.08-acre drilling and spacing unit in order to efficiently and economically recover the oil, gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Niobrara, Fort Hays, Codell and Carlile Formations underlying the Application Lands.**

**E. Providing for 300' productive interval setbacks as to the boundaries of the approximate 1,302.08-acre drilling and spacing unit for production from the Niobrara, Fort Hays, Codell and Carlile Formations and 150' interwell setbacks from the productive interval of any other well drilled and produced within the unit to the respective formation, unless an exception is granted by the Director.**

**F. Providing that the additional horizontal wells proposed for the development of the Niobrara, Fort Hays, Codell and Carlile Formations underlying the Application Lands will be located and drilled from no more than four wellpads, unless an exception is granted by the Director, and such surface locations may be on adjacent lands or on lands located within the State of Wyoming, unless an exception is granted by the Director.**

**G.** Finding that the drilling of up to 14 horizontal wells in the approximate 1,302.08-acre drilling and spacing unit for the development of the Niobrara, Fort Hays, Codell and Carlile Formations on the Application Lands will prevent waste, protect correlative rights, and maximize the efficient and economic production of the Niobrara, Fort Hays, Codell and Carlile Formations on the Application Lands.

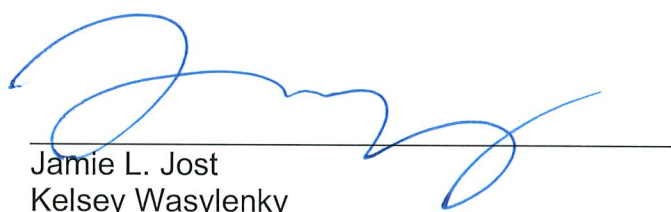
**H.** For such other findings and orders as the Commission may deem proper or advisable in this matter.

DATED January 10<sup>th</sup> ~~February~~ <sup>4<sup>th</sup></sup> 2019.

Respectfully submitted:

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## VERIFICATION

STATE OF COLORADO )  
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CITY AND COUNTY OF DENVER )

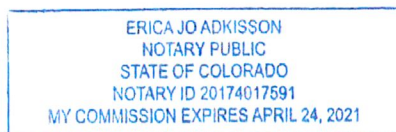
Lawrence D. Lillo, of lawful age, being first duly sworn upon oath, deposes and says that he is the Vice-President of Land for CCRP Operating Inc., and that he has read the foregoing Amended Application and that the matters therein contained are true to the best of his knowledge, information and belief.

Lawrence D. Lillo  
Vice-President, Land  
CCRP Operating Inc.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 4<sup>th</sup> day of February 2019.

Witness my hand and official seal:

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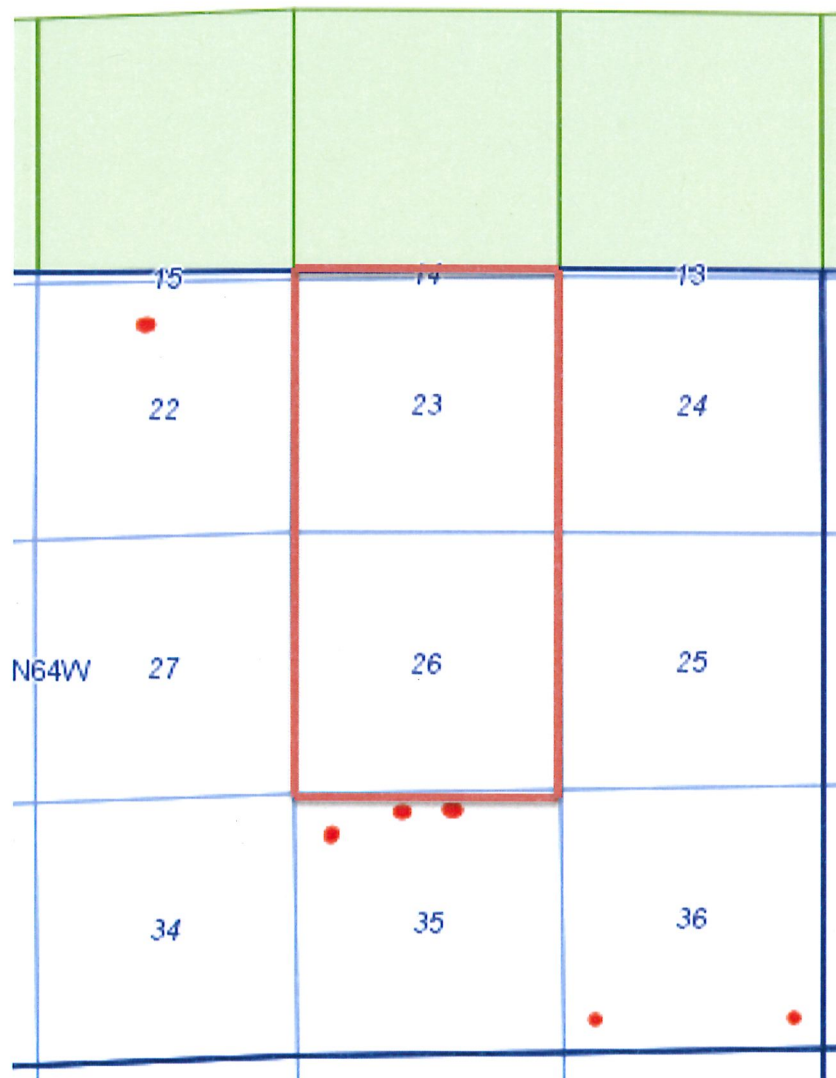
My commission expires: 4-24-21

Erica J. Adkisson  
Notary Public

### Reference Map

Sections 14 (Lots 1-4 – Colorado), 23 and 26, Township 12 North, Range 64 West,  
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Wyoming/Colorado  
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FORT HAYS, CODELL AND CARLILE	)	
FORMATIONS, HEREFORD FIELD, WELD	)	
COUNTY, COLORADO	)	

**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the Application, Amended Application and Notice of Hearing in the above-referenced docket were deposited in the U.S. mail on or before February 4<sup>th</sup>, 2019 postage pre-paid, to the interested parties listed on the attached Exhibit A.

DATED this 12<sup>th</sup> day of February 2019.

  
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Sydney Nelson



**Exhibit A**  
**Clear Creek SP - T12N-R64W 14, 23, 26**

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