

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

IN THE MATTER OF THE PROMULGATION AND	)	CAUSE NO. 535
ESTABLISHMENT OF FIELD RULES TO	)	
GOVERN OPERATIONS FOR THE NIOBRARA	)	DOCKET NO. 171000657
FORMATION, UNNAMED FIELD, ARAPAHOE	)	
COUNTY, COLORADO	)	TYPE: SPACING

NOTICE OF HEARING

TO ALL INTERESTED PARTIES AND TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

APPLICATION LANDS

Township 5 South, Range 64 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M.

Section 23: All

Section 24: All

APPLICATION

On August 25, 2017, Bison Exploration, LLC (Operator No. 10646) ("Bison" or "Applicant") filed a verified application pursuant to §34-60-116, C.R.S., for an order to:

- 1) Vacate Order No. 535-145 as it applies to the Application Lands;
- 2) Establish an approximate 1,280-acre drilling and spacing unit for the Application Lands and approve 16 horizontal wells for the production of the Niobrara Formation; and
- 3) 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 boundary, and no closer than 150 feet from the productive interval of any other wellbore located in the unit.
- 4) Applicant states that the wells be drilled from no more than two well pads located within the unit or at a legal location on adjacent lands, without exception granted by the Director.

APPLICABLE RULES AND ORDERS

(available online at: <http://cogcc.state.co.us>, under "Regulation," then select "Orders" or "Rules")

- Rule 318.a. of the Rules and Regulations of the Oil and Gas Conservation Commission requires that, on unspaced lands, wells drilled in excess of 2,500 feet in depth be located not less than 600 feet from any lease line, and located not less than 1,200 feet from any other producible or drilling oil or gas well when drilling to the same common source of supply.
- On March 8, 2012, the Commission entered Order No. 535-145, which established 14 approximate 640-acre drilling and spacing units for certain lands in Townships 4, 5, and 6 South, Ranges 63 and 64 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M., and approved up to two horizontal wells in each unit, for the production of oil, gas, and associated hydrocarbons from the Niobrara

Formation, with the treated interval of the wellbores to be located no closer than 460 feet from the boundaries of the proposed units, and no less than 920 feet from the completed interval of another well producing from the same common source of supply, without excepting being granted by the Director.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, pursuant to §§ 34-60-101 to -130, C.R.S., and the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, 2 CCR 404-1, that the Commission has scheduled this matter for hearing on:

Dates: October 30-31, 2017

Time: 9:00 a.m.


Place: Colorado Oil and Gas Conservation Commission  
The Chancery Building  
1120 S. Lincoln St., Ste. 801  
Denver, CO, 80203

Additional information about the hearing on this Application will be in the Commission's Agenda, which is posted on the Commission website approximately three (3) days before the hearing.

In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, if any party requires special accommodations as a result of a disability for this hearing, please contact Margaret Humecki at (303) 894-2100 ext. 5139, prior to the hearing and arrangements will be made.

At hearing, the Commission will consider the Application and enter an order pursuant to its authority under the statute. **Any interested party desiring to protest or intervene should file with the Commission a written protest or intervention in accordance with Rule 509., no later than October 16, 2017.** Such interested party shall, at the same time, serve a copy of the protest or intervention to the person filing the application. One electronic (cogcc.hearings\_unit@state.co.us), one original and two copies shall be filed with the Commission. **Anyone who files a protest or intervention must be able to participate in a prehearing conference during the week of October 16, 2017, if a prehearing conference is requested by the Applicant, or any person who has filed a protest or intervention.** Pursuant to Rule 511, if the matter is uncontested, it may be approved without a hearing.

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By   
Julie Spence Prime, Secretary

Dated: September 22, 2017

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