

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

IN THE MATTER OF THE PROMULGATION AND ) CAUSE NO. 407  
ESTABLISHMENT OF FIELD RULES TO GOVERN )  
OPERATIONS FOR THE CODELL AND NIOBRARA ) DOCKET NO. 171200876  
FORMATIONS, WATTENBERG FIELD, WELD )  
COUNTY, COLORADO ) TYPE: POOLING

NOTICE OF HEARING

TO ALL INTERESTED PARTIES AND TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

APPLICATION LANDS

Township 3 North, Range 68 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M.  
Section 9: All  
Section 10: All  
Section 11: W $\frac{1}{2}$ W $\frac{1}{2}$

**Wellbore Spacing Unit Nos. 1 – 8 (1440 acres)**

Postle IC 09-259HN Well (Niobrara Formation)  
Postle IC 09-299HN Well (Niobrara Formation)  
Postle IC 09-299HNX Well (Niobrara Formation)  
Postle IC 09-302HC Well (Codell Formation)  
Postle IC 09-302HN Well (Niobrara Formation)  
Postle IC 09-342HN Well (Niobrara Formation)  
Postle IC 09-342HNX Well (Niobrara Formation)  
Postle IC 09-379HC Well (Codell Formation)

Hereinafter "Application Lands."

APPLICATION

On October 12, 2017, Great Western Operating Company, LLC (Operator No. 10110) ("Great Western" or "Applicant"), filed a verified application pursuant to §34-60-116, C.R.S., for an order to:

1) Pool all interests in eight (8) approximate 1440-acre designated horizontal wellbore spacing units established for the Application Lands, for the development and operation of the Niobrara and Codell Formations;

2) Subject any non-consenting interests to the cost recovery provisions of §34-60-116(7), C.R.S., effective as of the earlier of the date of the Application, or the date that any of the costs specified in §34-60-116(7)(b), C.R.S., are first incurred for the drilling of the Postle IC 09-259HN in WSU #1 (API No. Pending); Postle IC 09-299HN in WSU #2 (API No. Pending), Postle IC 09-299HNX in WSU #3 (API No. Pending), Postle IC 09-302HC in WSU #4 (API No. Pending), Postle IC 09-302HN in WSU #5 (API No. Pending), Postle IC 09-342HN in WSU #6 (API No. Pending), Postle IC 09-342HNX in WSU #7 (API No. Pending) and Postle IC 09-379HC in WSU #8 ("Wells").

### APPLICABLE ORDERS AND RULES

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

- On April 27, 1998, the Commission adopted Rule 318A, the Greater Wattenberg Area Special Well Location, Spacing and Unit Designation Rule.
- On February 19, 1992 (amended August 20, 1993), the Commission entered Order No. 407-87 which, among other things, established 80-acre drilling and spacing units for the production of oil, gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Codell-Niobrara Formations, the Codell Formation, and the Niobrara Formation underlying certain lands, including the Application Lands, with the permitted well locations in accordance with the provisions of Order No. 407-1.
- On July 29, 2013, the Commission entered Order No. 407-833 which established an approximate 640-acre drilling and spacing unit and approved up to 12 horizontal wells within the unit, for the production of oil, gas, and associated hydrocarbons from the Codell-Niobrara Formation. Section 11, Township 3 North, Range 68 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M. is subject to this Order for the Niobrara Formation.
- On July 28, 2014, the Commission entered Order No. 407-1091 which pooled all interests within an approximate 640-acre drilling and spacing unit established for Section 11, Township 3 North, Range 68 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M., and to subject any nonconsenting interests to the cost recovery provisions of §34-60-116(7), C.R.S. for the Postle IC 11-342HC Well, for the development and operation of the Codell Formation.
- On July 28, 2014, the Commission entered Order No. 407-1091 which pooled all interests within an approximate 640-acre drilling and spacing unit established for Section 11, Township 3 North, Range 68 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M., and to subject any nonconsenting interests to the cost recovery provisions of §34-60-116(7), C.R.S. for the Postle IC 11-302HN Well, for the development and operation of the Niobrara Formation.
- On July 28, 2014, the Commission entered Order No. 407-1092 which pooled all interests within an approximate 640-acre drilling and spacing unit established for Section 11, Township 3 North, Range 68 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M., and to subject any nonconsenting interests to the cost recovery provisions of §34-60-116(7), C.R.S. for the Postle IC 11-302HN Well, for the development and operation of the Niobrara Formation.
- On July 28, 2014, the Commission entered Order No. 407-1093, which pooled all interests in an approximate 640-acre drilling and spacing unit, for the development and operation of the Niobrara Formation.
- On October 27, 2014, the Commission entered Order No. 407-1145, which, among other things, pooled all interests in an approximate 640-acre drilling and spacing unit established for Section 11, Township 3 North, Range 68 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M., for the development and operation of the Niobrara and Codell Formations.

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: December 11-12-13, 2017  
Time: 9:00 a.m.  
Place: Colorado Oil and Gas Conservation Commission  
The Chancery Building  
1120 Lincoln Street, Suite 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 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 November 27, 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 November 27, 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.

OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION COMMISSION  
OF THE STATE OF COLORADO

By   
Julia Spence Prine, Secretary

Dated: November 1, 2017

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