

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 NIOBRARA AND CODELL) DOCKET NO. 180700540
FORMATIONS, WATTENBERG FIELD, WELD)
COUNTY, COLORADO) TYPE: SPACING

NOTICE OF HEARING

TO ALL INTERESTED PARTIES AND TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

APPLICATION LANDS

Township 2 North, Range 64 West, 6th P.M.
Section 11: All
Section 14: All
Section 23: N½

APPLICATION

On May 25, 2018, Noble Energy, Inc. (Operator No. 100322) ("Noble" or "Applicant"), filed a verified application pursuant to §34-60-116, C.R.S. for an order to:

- 1) Vacate Order No. 407-2287 only as it relates to the Waste Management Y23-784 Well (API No. 05-123-44839), for the development and operation of the Niobrara Formation.
- 2) For such other findings and orders as the Commission may deem proper or advisable in this matter.

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. Sections 11, 14 and 23, Township 2 North, Range 64 West, 6th P.M. are subject to this Rule for the Niobrara and Codell Formations.
- 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 and Niobrara Formations underlying certain lands, with permitted vertical and directional well locations in accordance with the provisions of Order No. 407-1. Sections 11, 14 and 23, Township 2 North, Range 64 West, 6th P.M. are subject to this Order for the Niobrara and Codell Formations.
- On May 1, 2017 the Commission entered Order No. 407-1953, which established an approximate 1,600 acre drilling and spacing unit for Sections 11, 14 and 23, Township 2

North, Range 64 West, 6th P.M., approved up to nine horizontal wells in the unit for the production of oil, gas, and associated hydrocarbons from the Niobrara and Codell Formations, provided that the productive interval of any horizontal well shall be no closer than 460 feet from the boundaries of the unit (however Noble has requested the Commission to correct Order No. 407-1953 to reflect the approved setbacks of 460 feet from the northern, western and eastern boundaries of the unit and no closer than 150 feet from the southern boundary of the unit), not less than 150 feet from the treated interval of another well within the unit, and approved up to three well pads, unless an exception is granted by the Director.

- On December 12, 2017, the Commission entered Order No. 407-2287 which pooled all interests, including any nonconsenting interests, within the approximate 1,600-acre drilling and spacing unit for the Application Lands, for the drilling of the Wells for the development and operation of the Codell and Niobrara Formations, effective as of the earlier of the date of the Application or the date that the costs specified in C.R.S. § 34-60-116(7)(b) are first incurred for the drilling of the Waste Management Y23-720 Well (API No. 05-123-44842), Waste Management Y23-728 Well (API No. 05-123-44844), Waste Management Y23-736 Well (API No. 05-123-44841), Waste Management Y23-744 Well (API No. 05-123-44843), Waste Management Y23-752 Well (API No. 05-123-44846), Waste Management Y23-760 Well (API No. 05-123-44838), Waste Management Y23-768 Well (API No. 05-123-44845), Waste Management Y23-776 Well (API No. 05-123-44847), Waste Management Y23-784 Well (API No. 05-123-44839) ("Wells").

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:

Date: July 30 - August 1, 2018
Time: 9:00 a.m.
Place: Colorado Oil and Gas Conservation Commission
The Chancery Building
1120 Lincoln Street, Suite 801
Denver, Colorado 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 July 16, 2018.** 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 July 16, 2018, 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  _____
Julie Spence Prine, Secretary

Dated: June 21, 2018

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