

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, FORT HAYS, ) DOCKET NO. 181200914  
CODELL, AND CARLILE FORMATIONS, UNNAMED )  
FIELD, WELD COUNTY, COLORADO ) TYPE: SPACING

NOTICE OF HEARING

TO ALL INTERESTED PARTIES AND TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

APPLICATION LANDS

Township 8 North, Range 62 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M.

Section 26: All

Section 35: All

APPLICATION

On October 8, 2018, Bison Oil & Gas II, LLC (Operator No. 10661) ("Bison" or "Applicant") filed a verified application pursuant to §34-60-116, C.R.S., for an order to:

- 1) Vacate Order No. 535-136, which pooled all interest in the approximate 1,280-acre drilling and spacing unit established by Order No. 535-8 for the Application Lands.
- 2) Vacate Order No. 535-503, which pooled all interest, including previously unnoticed interests, in the approximate 1,280-acre drilling and spacing unit established by Order No. 535-8 for the Application Lands.
- 3) Modify an approximate 1,280-acre drilling and spacing unit established by Order No. 535-8 and modified by Order No. 535-490 for the Application Lands to include the Fort Hays, Codell, and Carlile Formations and to approve an additional four horizontal wells in the unit for a total of up to 20 horizontal wells, with the productive interval of each additional well within the unit to be located no closer than 165 feet from the productive interval of any other well in the same common source of supply, and no closer than 600 feet from the unit boundary, unless an exception is granted by the Director.
- 4) Require that the wells be drilled from no more than two surface facilities located within the unit or at a legal location on adjacent lands, unless an exception is granted by the Director.

APPLICABLE ORDERS AND RULES

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

- Rule 318.a. provides that for unspaced lands, a well drilled in excess of 2,500 feet in depth shall be located not less than 600 feet from any lease line, and shall be located not less than 1,200 feet from any other producible or drilling oil or gas well when drilling to the same source of supply, unless authorized by order of the Commission upon hearing.

- On April 4, 2011, the Commission entered Order No. 535-8, which established an approximate 1,280-acre drilling and spacing unit for Sections 26 and 35, Township 8 North, Range 62 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M., and approved one horizontal well within the unit, for the production of oil, gas, and associated hydrocarbons from the Niobrara Formation, with the well located no closer than 600 feet from the unit boundary and the perforated lateral located no closer than 300 feet from any wellbore which has perforated the Niobrara Formation, without exception being granted by the Director.
- On June 17, 2014, the Commission entered Order No. 535-490, which approved an additional fifteen horizontal wells within an approximate 1,280-acre drilling and spacing unit covering Sections 26 and 35, Township 8 North, Range 62 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M., for a total of sixteen horizontal wells within the unit, for the production of oil, gas, and associated hydrocarbons from 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, without exception being granted by the Director.
- On June 17, 2014, the Commission entered Order No. 535-503, which pooled all interests, including previously unnoticed interests, in one approximate 1,280-acre drilling and spacing unit covering Sections 26 and 35, Township 8 North, Range 62 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M., and granted cost-recovery pursuant to Section 34-60-116(7), C.R.S. against the nonconsenting owners in two wells within the unit, being the Otswald 1-26H Well (API No. 05-123-33647), and the Cass 26-1H Well, effective November 23, 2011, the date of application for Order No. 535-136, for the development and operation of the Niobrara Formation.

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: December 17-18, 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 three 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 December 3, 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 December 3, 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: November 7, 2018

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