



BLACK RAVEN ENERGY, INC.

December 5, 2011

RE: Expedited Approval of Forms 2 and 2A
Local Governmental Designee Waiver
SW/4NE/4, Section 3, T8N- R43W, Phillips County, Colorado
Dirks 843-3-32-L10, Form 2 #: 400229327
Dirks 843-3-32-L10, Form 2A Doc #: 400229328

Black Raven Energy, Inc. ("BRE") is committed to their financial partners as well as to their drilling contractors in the drilling of another 64 wells by December 31, 2011. This program is a part of the company's success, and the issuance of this permit depends on completing the drilling of this well by this deadline.

Rule 303.I provides for the approval of Form 2s and Form 2As without the Rule 305.c 20-day Comment Period. It states:

I. Special circumstances for permit issuance without notice or consultation. The Director may issue a permit at any time in the event that an operator files a sworn statement and demonstrates therein to the Director's satisfaction that:

(1) The operator had the right or obligation under the terms of an existing contract to drill a well; and the owner or operator has a leasehold estate or a right to acquire a leasehold estate under said contract which will be terminated unless the operator is permitted to immediately commence the drilling of said well; or

(2) Due to exigent circumstances (including a recent change in geological interpretation), significant economic hardship to a drilling contractor will result or significant economic hardship to an operator in the form of drilling standby charges will result.

In the event the Director issues a permit under this rule, the operator shall not be required to meet obligations to surface owners, local governmental designees, the Colorado Department of

Public Health and Environment, or the Colorado Division of Wildlife under Rule 305 (except Rules 305.e.(4) and 305.e.(6), for which compliance will still be required) and 306. The Director shall report permits granted in such manner to the Commission at regularly scheduled monthly hearings.

Rule 305.c of the Colorado Oil & Gas Conservation Commission (COGCC) provides for a 20-day comment period on each Form 2 and Form 2A. It states:

- c. **Comment period.** The Director shall not approve the Form 2A, or any associated Form 2, for twenty (20) days from posting pursuant to Rule 305.b, and shall accept and post on the Commission's website immediately upon their receipt any comments received from the public, the local governmental designee, the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment, or the Colorado Division of Wildlife regarding the proposed oil and gas location.

BRE intends to drill the above referenced well immediately upon the expedited approval of Form 2 and Form 2A of the COGCC .

BRE respectfully request approval of this waiver for this location.

In kind regard,
Black Raven Energy, Inc.



Janice Aldstadt
Landman

AS THE LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL DESIGNEE WITH STANDING PURSUANT TO THE ABOVE REFERENCED RULES, I HEREBY GIVE MY APPROVAL WITHOUT CONSULTATION AND WAIVE MY RIGHT TO COMMENT ON THE APPLICATION. I HAVE NO PROTEST OF THE ISSUANCE OF THE PERMIT FOR THE ABOVE CAPTIONED WELL.



Phillips County Commissioner
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