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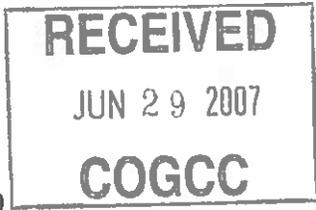
County of Weld,

I, Jennifer Usher

of said County of Weld, being duly sworn, say that I am an advertising clerk of

THE GREELEY DAILY TRIBUNE, and The Greeley Republican

that the same is a daily newspaper of general circulation and printed and published in the City of Greeley, in said county and state; that the notice or advertisement, of which the annexed is a true copy, (days): that the notice was published in the regular and entire issue of every number of said newspaper during the period and time of publication of said notice, and in the newspaper proper and not in a supplement thereof; that the first publication of said notice was contained in the, issue of the said newspaper - bearing date the Twenty-first day of June AD. 2007, and the last publication thereof: in the issue of said newspaper bearing date the Twenty-first day of June AD. 2007; that said The Greeley Daily Tribune and the Greeley Republican, has been published continuously and uninterruptedly during the period of at least six months next prior to the first issue thereof contained said notice or advertisement above referred to; that said newspaper has been admitted to the United States mails as second-class matter under the provisions of the Act of March 3, 1879, or any amendments thereof; and that said newspaper is a daily newspaper duly qualified for publishing legal notices and advertisements within the meaning of the laws of the State of Colorado.



June 21, 2007

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Jennifer Usher  
Advertising Clerk

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Janice McEland  
Notary Public

BEFORE THE OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF COLORADO IN THE MATTER OF THE PROMULGATION AND ESTABLISHMENT OF FIELD RULES TO GOVERN OPERATIONS IN THE WATTENBERG FIELD, WELD COUNTY, COLORADO CAUSE NOS. 1 AND 407 DOCKET NO. 0702-LJP-20

NOTICE OF HEARING TO ALL INTERESTED PARTIES AND TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

On November 18, 1985, the Commission issued Order No. 407-1 (amended on March 29, 2000) which established 80-acre drilling and spacing units for the production of oil and/or gas and associated hydrocarbons for the Codell and Niobrara Formations underlying certain lands, including Section 20, Township 5 North, Range 65 West, 6th P.M., with the unit to be designated by the operator upon drilling the first well in the quarter section. The permitted well shall be located in the center of either 40-acre tract within the unit with a tolerance of 200 feet in any direction. The operator shall have the option to drill an additional well on the undrilled 40-acre tract in each 80-acre drilling and spacing unit.

Rule 318.a) of the Rules and Regulations of the Commission requires that wells drilled in excess of two thousand five hundred (2,500) feet in depth be located not less than six hundred (600) feet from any lease line, and located not less than one thousand two hundred (1,200) feet from any other producible or drilling oil or gas well when drilling to the same common source of supply. The NW1/4 of Section 20, Township 5 North, Range 65 West, 6th P.M., is subject to this Rule for the Sussex, "J" Sand and Dakota Formations.

On April 27, 1998, the Commission adopted Rule 318A, which, among other things, allowed certain drilling locations to be utilized to drill or twin a well, deepen a well or recomplete a well and to commingle any or all of the Cretaceous Age Formations from the base of the Dakota Formation to the surface. On December 5, 2005, Rule 318A, was amended to, among other things, allow interior infill and boundary wells to be drilled and wellbore spacing units to be established. Section 20, Township 5 North, Range 65 West, 6th P.M. was included in this Rule.

On June 1, 2007, Mineral Resources, Inc. ("Mineral Resources"), by its attorney, filed with the Commission a verified application for an order to establish a 160-acre drilling and spacing unit consisting of the NW1/4 of Section 20, Township 5 North, Range 65 West, 6th P.M. as a wellbore spacing unit for the production from the Sussex, Codell, Niobrara, "J" Sand or Dakota Formations, and for an order to pool all nonconsenting interests in the 160-acre drilling and spacing unit for the development and operation of said formations.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the Oil and Gas Conservation Commission of the State of Colorado, pursuant to the above, has scheduled the above-entitled matter for hearing on:

Date: Monday, July 23, 2007  
Time: Tuesday, July 24, 2007  
9:00 a.m.  
Place: Suite 801, The Chancery Building  
1120 Lincoln Street  
Denver, Colorado 80203

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 Humackl at (303) 894-2100 ext. 139, prior to the hearing and arrangements will be made.

Pursuant to said hearing in the above-entitled matter at the time and place aforesaid, or at any adjourned meeting, the Commission will enter such orders as it deems appropriate to protect the health, safety and welfare of the public and to prevent the waste of oil and gas, either or both, in the operations of said field, and to carry out the purposes of the statute.

In accordance with Rule 509, any interested party desiring to protest the granting of the application or to intervene on the application should file with the Commission a written protest or intervention no later than July 09, 2007, briefly stating the basis of the protest or intervention. Such interested party shall, at the same time, serve a copy of the protest or intervention to the person filing the application. An original and nine (9) copies shall be filed with the Commission (Rule 503.). Anyone who files a protest or intervention must be able to participate in a prehearing conference during the week of July 09, 2007. Pursuant to Rule 503.f., if a party who has received notice under Rule 503.b. wishes to receive further pleadings in the above-referenced matter, that party must file a protest or intervention in accordance with these rules. In accordance with the practices of the Commission, should no protests or interventions be filed in this matter by July 09, 2007, the Applicant may request that an administrative hearing be scheduled during the week of July 09, 2007. In the alternative, pursuant to Rule 511.b., if the matter is uncontested, the applicant may request, and the Director may recommend approval on the basis of the merits of the verified application and the supporting exhibits.

IN THE NAME OF THE STATE OF COLORADO OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF COLORADO

By: Patricia C. Beaver, Secretary

Dated at Suite 801 1120 Lincoln Street Denver, Colorado 80203 June 14, 2007 (303) 929-7018

Attorney for Applicant: Keith M. Crouch, P.C. 5015 Ingersoll Place Boulder, CO 80303

The Greeley Tribune June 21, 2007

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## Publisher's Affidavit STATE OF COLORADO

City and County of Denver  
I, John Rhodes, of the City and County of Denver, State of Colorado, being duly sworn, upon oath say that I am the Publishing Director of The Daily Journal; that I have personal knowledge of all the facts set forth in this affidavit; that said The Daily Journal is a public newspaper of general circulation having its principal office and place of business situated in said City and County of Denver; that said The Daily Journal is printed and published daily except Saturdays, Sundays and legal holidays; that said The Daily Journal is a daily newspaper within the meaning of the act of the General Assembly of the State of Colorado, approved April 7, 1921, and entitled, "An Act Concerning Legal Notices, Advertisements and Publications, and the Fees of Printers and Publishers Thereof, and to Repeal All Acts and Parts of Acts in Conflict with the Provisions of This Act," and as amended by an act of said General Assembly, entitled "An Act to Amend An Act Entitled 'An Act Concerning Legal Notices, Advertisements and Publications, and the Fees of Printers and Publishers Thereof, and to Repeal All Acts and Parts of Acts in Conflict with the Provisions of This Act,'" approved March 30, 1923, and as amended by an act of said General Assembly, approved May 18, 1931, entitled, "An Act to Amend Section 4 of Chapter 139 of the Session Laws of 1923, Relating to Legal Notices and Advertisements," which said Act took effect on and after the first day of January, 1932, and as amended by an act of said General Assembly, entitled, "An Act to Amend Chapter 139 of the Session Laws of 1923 Relating to Legal Notices and Advertisements; to Define Newspapers Qualified to Publish Legal Notices and Advertisements and the Fees of Printers and Publishers Thereof, and to Provide That the Costs of Such Legal Notices and Advertisements Shall Be Taxed as Fees," approved March 5, 1935, and as amended by an act of said General Assembly, entitled, "An Act Relating to Legal Notices and Advertisements, and Amending Section 1, of Chapter 113, Session Laws of 1931," approved March 25, 1935; and "An Act to Amend and as Amended by the General Assembly, concerning 'Rates for Legal Publications,' 109-17 C.R.S. 1903 as amended, approved May 23, 1971, and effective January 1, 1972," that said newspaper had, prior to January 1, 1936, and has ever since said date, been admitted to the United States Mails as second class matter under the provisions of the Act of March 3, 1879, or any amendments thereof, that said newspaper is printed and published in whole in said City and County of Denver and has a general circulation therein; that said newspaper has been so printed and published as a public daily newspaper of general circulation in said City and County of Denver, uninterruptedly and continuously during the period of more than fifty-two consecutive weeks next prior to the first issue thereof containing the annexed legal notice and advertisement; that said legal notice and advertisement was published daily except Saturdays, Sundays and legal holidays in the regular edition of said newspaper for one day, that the publication of said legal notice and advertisement appeared in the regular edition of said newspaper on the 21st day of June, A.D. 2007; and that therefore, said legal notice and advertisement was duly published in a newspaper duly qualified for that purpose within the meaning of the above-mentioned acts of the General Assembly of the State of Colorado.

Subscribed and sworn to, at the City and County of Denver, State of Colorado, before me, a Notary Public, this 25th day of June, A.D. 2007.

Witness my hand and notarial seal  
Kari S. Johnson  
Notary Public

My Commission Expires July 9, 2007

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