

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

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF  
ANTERO RESOURCES PICEANCE  
CORPORATION FOR AN ORDER VACATING A  
320 ACRE DRILLING AND SPACING UNIT  
ESTABLISHED FOR THE WILLIAMS FORK  
FORMATION AND REPLACING IT WITH TWO  
160 ACRE DRILLING AND SPACING UNITS FOR  
THE WILLIAMS FORK FORMATION  
UNDERLYING CERTAIN DESCRIBED LANDS IN  
THE MAMM CREEK FIELD AREA, GARFIELD  
COUNTY, COLORADO

CAUSE NO. 191

DOCKET NO.

APPLICATION

COMES NOW Antero Resources Piceance Corporation ("Applicant"), a Delaware corporation, by its attorneys, Poulson, Odell & Peterson, LLC, and makes application to the Oil and Gas Conservation Commission of the State of Colorado for an order vacating a designated 320 acre drilling and spacing unit previously ordered by the Commission applicable to the Williams Fork Formation and Iles Formation of the Mesaverde Group covering certain described lands in the Mamm Creek Field area in Garfield County and replacing it with two 160 acre drilling and spacing units for the Williams Fork Formation. In support of its application, Applicant states and alleges as follows:

1. That Applicant is a corporation duly authorized to conduct business in the State of Colorado.
2. That Applicant owns a leasehold interest in a portion of the following described lands:

Township 6 South, Range 93 West, 6th P.M.  
Section 15: E/2

(hereinafter "Application Lands")

3. That the Application Lands, under the Commission's Order 191-21, were established by the Commission as a 320 acre drilling and spacing unit for the Williams Fork Formation.
4. That when the application in Order No. 191-21 was filed Applicant anticipated that it would have the SE/4 of the Application Lands leased. However, Applicant was

unsuccessful in such efforts. Applicant therefore wants to proceed with drilling operations in the SW/4 of the Application Lands in respect of which it does own a leasehold interest without having to pool the SE/4 of the Application Lands. Therefore, in addition to vacating the Application Lands as a 320 acre drilling and spacing unit, Applicant requests that the SE/4 and the SW/4 of the Application Lands to be established as approximate 160 acre drilling and spacing units for the Williams Fork Formation.

5. That the above-proposed vacation of the 320 acre drilling and spacing unit and the establishment in its place of two approximate 160 acre drilling units will allow development of the Williams Fork Formation to occur; will not promote waste; will not violate correlative rights and will assure the greatest ultimate recovery of gas and associated hydrocarbon substances from the reservoir.

6. That the Application Lands will continue, per the provisions of Order 191-21 to be approved for the drilling of ten (10) acre density wells except that the setback rules established under such order will apply to the boundaries of the newly established 160 acre drilling and spacing units.

7. That the names and addresses of the interested parties according to the information and belief of the Applicant are set forth in Exhibit A attached hereto and made a part hereof.

WHEREFORE, Applicant respectfully requests that this matter be set for hearing in October, 2006, that notice be given as required by law and that upon such hearing this Commission enter its order consistent with Applicant's proposals as set forth above.

Dated this 1st day of September, 2006.

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
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## VERIFICATION

STATE OF COLORADO )  
 )  
 ) ss.  
CITY AND COUNTY OF DENVER )

William J. Pierini, of lawful age, being first duly sworn upon oath, deposes and says that he is the Division Landman for Antero Resources Piceance Corporation and that he has read the foregoing Application and that the matters therein contained are true to the best of his knowledge, information and belief.

By: William J. Pierini

Subscribed and sworn to before me this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_.

Witness my hand and official seal.

My commission expires: \_\_\_\_\_

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Notary Public

## **EXHIBIT A**

Antero Resources II Corporation  
1625 17th Street, Suite 300  
Denver, CO 80202

Apollo Energy, LLC  
1557 Ogden Street, Suite 300  
Denver, CO 80218

Atlantic Richfield Company,  
a Delaware corporation  
Post Office Box 600  
Dallas, TX 75221

Colorado Department of Transportation  
Attn: Mark Kendell  
15285 South Golden Road, Bldg. 47  
Golden, CO 80401

EnCana Oil and Gas (USA) Inc.  
370 17th Street, Suite 1700  
Denver, CO 80202

Ernesto Cruz and Anna Cruz  
3215 County Road 315  
Silt, CO 81652

Garfield County Board of County  
Commissioners  
108 8th Street, Suite 213  
Glenwood Springs, CO 81601

John S. Gates  
340 Caballo Road  
Carbondale, CO 81623

Roman and Polina Tarasiuk  
2443 East 27th Street  
Los Angeles, CA 90058-1219

Grand River Hospital District Memorial  
Trust Fund  
Post Office Box 912  
Rifle, CO 81650

G. Meehan Properties LLC  
0060 Hooks Lane  
Basalt, CO 81621

Rifle, City of  
202 Railroad Avenue  
Rifle, CO 81650

Bob Taylor and Sherri D. Taylor  
2440 Airport Road  
Rifle, CO 81650

Robert Thomas Taylor, aka Robert T. Taylor  
2440 Airport Road  
Rifle, CO 81650

Union Pacific Railroad Company  
Attn: Terry Young  
c/o Farmer's National Company  
403 South Cheyenne, Suite 800  
Tulsa, OK 74102-3842

Vessels Oil & Gas Company and Vessels  
Hydrocarbons, Inc., Colorado corporations  
1050 17th Street, Suite 2000  
Denver, CO 80265

Yates Petroleum Corporation  
105 South 4th Street  
Artesia, NM 88210

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