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

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF)	
ENCANA OIL & GAS (USA) INC. FOR AN)	
ORDER MODIFYING THE NORTH)	Cause No. 510
PARACHUTE RANCH UNIT FOR THE)	
WILLIAMS FORK FORMATION OF THE)	Docket No
MESAVERDE GROUP FOR CERTAIN)	
DESCRIBED LANDS IN THE GRAND)	
VALLEY FIELD, GARFIELD COUNTY,	
COLORADO	

<u>APPLICATION TO MODIFY UNIT</u>

EnCana Oil & Gas (USA) Inc. ("Applicant"), by and through its attorneys, Beatty & Wozniak, P.C., respectfully submits this Application to Modify the North Parachute Ranch Unit to the Oil and Gas Conservation Commission of the State of Colorado (the "Commission") by contracting the acreage within the North Parachute Ranch Unit ("Unit"). The Unit was established for the purpose of drilling and producing wells from the Williams Fork Formation of the Mesaverde Group on the below-described lands in the Grand Valley Field, Garfield County, Colorado. In support of its petition, Applicant states and alleges as follows:

- 1. Applicant is a corporation duly authorized to conduct business in the State of Colorado, and is also a registered operator in good standing with the COGCC.
- 2. Applicant is the designated operator of the North Parachute Ranch Unit and a majority owner of the mineral and surface estate contained therein.
- 3. On August 18, 2009, this Commission issued Orders 479-20 and 510-49, which, among other things established the North Parachute Ranch Unit.
- 4. The Order created a unit for the purpose of drilling and producing wells from the Williams Fork Formation of the Mesaverde Group on the lands identified by the following legal descriptions:

Township 5 South, Range 95 West

Section 15: S/2, S/2N/2

Section 16: S/2, that portion of the SW/4NW/4, S/2NE/4, and NE/4NE/4 lying south of the southernmost Mahogany Marker as it existed on September 14, 1970

Section 17: S/2S/2, that portion of the N/2SE/4 lying south of the southernmost Mahogany Marker as it existed on September 14, 1970

Section 19: Lots 1, 2, 5, 6, 7, 12, E/2 (560 acres)

Section 20: All Section 21: All Section 22: All Section 27: All Section 28: All Section 29: All

Section 30: Lots 1, 7, NE/4, SE/4SE/4 Section 31: Lots 1, 6, 7, 8, 11, 12, E/2

Section 32: All Section 33: All Section 34: All

Township 6 South, Range 96 West

Section 1: Lots 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14 Section 2: Lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, S/2

Section 3: Lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, E/2SW/4, SE/4

Section 4: Lots 3, 4, 6, 7, 8, 9, 13, 14, and that portion of Lots 1, 5 and the S/2NW/4 lying easterly of the center of Parachute Creek as located on April 18, 1966 and more fully described by metes and bounds in deed recorded in Book 377 at Page 111 of the Garfield County records.

Section 9: Lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 14, 15, SW/4NW/4

Section 10: Lots 1, 2, 3, 4, E/2W/2, NE/4, SE/4

Section 15: W/2E/2, SW/4

Section 16: SE/4

Section 21: Lots 6, 7, E/2NW/4, NE/4, N/2SE/4

Section 22: Lots 1, 2, N/2, N/2SW/4

Total acreage 13,100

Garfield County, Colorado.

(hereafter the "Application Lands" – lands affected by this application are shown in boldface type).

5. Applicant requests an order contracting the Unit to the following legal description:

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Section 27: All Section 28: All

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Section 22: Lots 1, 2, N/2, N/2SW/4

Total acreage 11,510

Garfield County, Colorado.

- 6. Applicant requests an order contracting the unit for the following reasons:
 - a. After reviewing the title to certain lands, Applicant has identified certain payment interests in the lands proposed to be excluded that create uncertainty as to the obligations, if any, of the operator and other participating parties in the Unit to said payment interest owners.
 - b. These payment interests were originally created pursuant to a stock transaction and were not recorded in the real property records of Garfield County at such time.
 - c. The current viability of these payment interests cannot be clearly determined. Nor is it clear whether any parties participating in the Unit operations have an obligation with respect to said payment interests.
 - d. The resulting uncertainty clouds the obligations of Applicant in conducting Unit operations, creates a possible burden on the interests of the other participants in the Unit, and may result in waste by impairing operations on the Unit.
- 7. The parties to the Unit Agreement as modified for the reduced acreage have or will have signed the Unit Agreement applicable hereto by the time this matter comes before the Commission for hearing.
- 8. A map depicting the new acreage is attached as <u>Exhibit A</u> showing the outline of the proposed contracted unit boundaries and the acreage being excluded from the unit.
 - 9. The Interested Party list is attached as Exhibit B hereto.

WHEREFORE, Applicant respectfully requests that this matter be set for hearing, that notice be given as required by law, and that upon such hearing, this Commission find that modifying the Unit by contracting its acreage will prevent waste and protect correlative rights, and enter its order:

A. Contracting the size of the North Parachute Ranch Unit to reflect the acreage described in paragraph 5 above, and shown on Exhibit A.		
B. For such other findings and orders as the Commission deems appropriate to prevent waste and protect correlative rights.		
Dated this day of April, 2010.		
Respectfully submitted,		
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VERIFICATION

STATE OF COLORADO	
CITY & COUNTY OF DENVER) ss.)
Inc., upon oath deposes and says that s	Land, North Piceance Team, of EnCana Oil & Gas (USA) he has read the foregoing Amendment to Application and e true to the best of her knowledge, information and belief.
	ENCANA OIL & GAS (USA) INC.
	By: Kirsten A. Orahood
Subscribed and sworn to before r EnCana Oil & Gas (USA) Inc.	ne this day of April, 2010, by Kirsten A. Orahood of
Witness my hand and official seal	l.
My commission expires:	
	Notary Public
[SEAL]	,

Exhibit B

Interested Parties North Parachute Ranch State Unit

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Andrew A. Bremner of lawful age oath, states and declares:	, and being first duly sworn upon his
That he is the attorney for EnCana April 15, 2010, he caused a copy of the attack United States Mail, postage prepaid, addressed Application.	• • •
Andrew	A. Bremner
Subscribed and sworn to before me	e April, 2010.
Witness my hand and official seal.	
My commission expires:	
Notary F	Public