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

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF	)		
EOG RESOURCES, INC. FOR AN ORDER	)		
ESTABLISHING DRILLING AND SPACING	)		
UNITS AND ESTABLISHING WELL	)		
LOCATION RULES FOR THE NIOBRARA	)	Cause No.	
FORMATION FOR SECTION 20, TOWNSHIP 4	)	Docket No	
NORTH, RANGE 62 WEST AND SECTION 26,	)		
TOWNSHIP 11 NORTH, RANGE 64 WEST	)		
WELD COUNTY, COLORADO	)		

#### APPLICATION

EOG Resources, Inc. ("Applicant"), by and through its attorneys, Beatty & Wozniak, P.C., respectfully submits this Application to the Oil and Gas Conservation Commission of the State of Colorado (the "Commission") for an order establishing two (2) approximate 640-acre drilling and spacing units and establishing existing well location rules applicable to the drilling and producing of wells from the Niobrara Formation covering certain described lands in Weld County, Colorado and in support of its Application, Applicant states and alleges as follows:

- 1. Applicant is a corporation duly authorized to conduct business in the State of Colorado.
- 2. Applicant owns leasehold interests in the following lands (hereafter the "Application Lands"):

Township 4 North, Range 62 West Section 20: ALL

Township 11 North, Range 64 West Section 26: ALL

- 3. Pursuant to Commission Rule 318.a., a well to be drilled in excess of two thousand five hundred (2,500) feet in depth shall be located not less than six hundred (600) feet from any lease line, and shall be 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 source of supply, unless authorized by order of the Commission upon hearing. There are no other specific Commission Orders applicable to the Niobrara Formation underlying the Application Lands.
- 4. The Niobrara Formation in this area is defined as the stratigraphic equivalent of the interval between 7600' and 7874' as found in the Trans Texas Energy, UPRR Wiggin 1-15 Well, located in the SE<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>SE<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> of Section 15, Township 11 North, Range 64 West and between 6157' and 6432' as found in the Beaver Mesa Exploration, ORR 14-20 Well, located in the

SW½SW½ of Section 20, Township 4 North, Range 62 West. The Niobrara Formation is a common source of supply underlying the Application Lands.

- 5. To promote efficient drainage within the Niobrara Formation of the Application Lands, to protect correlative rights and to avoid waste, the Commission should establish drilling and spacing units of the approximately 640 acres.
- 6. That Applicant has drilled, tested and completed wells in the Niobrara Formation upon the lands nearby to Application Lands.
- 7. That the above-proposed drilling and spacing units will allow efficient drainage of the Niobrara Formation; will prevent waste; will not adversely affect correlative rights and will assure the greatest ultimate recovery of gas and associated hydrocarbon substances from the reservoirs. Drilling and spacing units of the size and shape specified above are not smaller than the maximum area that can be economically and efficiently drained by the proposed well in each such drilling and spacing unit.
- 8. That the Applicant is requesting to drill and complete one (1) horizontal well in each of the established 640-acre drilling and spacing units comprised of the Application Lands. The Applicant states that each proposed horizontal well shall be drilled in the designated drilling and spacing unit with treated interval of the well and an ultimate bottomhole location no closer than 600' from the boundaries of the drilling and spacing unit. The Applicant further maintains that the proposed horizontal wells will have no adverse effect on correlative rights of adjacent owners.
- 9. That the Applicant further states that the requested wells can be developed in a manner consistent with protection of the environment, public health, safety and welfare.
- 10. 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, and the undersigned certifies that copies of this Application shall be served on each interested party within the next seven days as required by Rule 503.e.

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 enter its order consistent with Applicant's proposals as set forth above.

Dated	this	day of July,	2011.
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Respectfully submitted,

EOG RESOURCES, INC.

By:\_\_\_\_\_

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## **VERIFICATION**

STATE OF COLORADO	)
CITY & COUNTY OF DENVER	) ss. )
	Resources, Inc., upon oath deposes and says that he the statements contained therein are true to the best
	EOG RESOURCES, INC.
	Jason McLaren, Landman
Subscribed and sworn to before me a Landman for EOG Resources, Inc.	this day of July, 2011 by Jason McLaren,
Witness my hand and official seal.	
My commission expires:	
	Notary Public

#### **EXHIBIT A**

#### **INTERESTED PARTIES**

Lucius Thalley and Eloise May Jones Thalley, JT holding a life estate to the last survivor thereof 12992 Elgin Place Denver, CO 80236

Greeley Area Foundation, Inc. A Colorado Non-profit Corporation C/O Norwest Bank Colorado, NA 1025 Ninth Avenue Greeley, CO 80631

Colorado Board of Agriculture (Now apparently part of Colorado Department of Agriculture) 700 Kipling St., Suite 4000 Lakewood, Co 80215

James L.C. Painter Address unknown

BLM 2850 Youngfield Street Lakewood, Colorado 80215-7093

EOG Resources, Inc. (Applicant) 600 17th Street, Suite 1000N Denver, CO 80202

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David Bauer Weld County Government 1111 H Street Greeley, CO 80632

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AFFIDAVIT OF MAILING					
STATE OF COLORADO )					
)ss.					
CITY AND COUNTY OF DENVER )					
Jamie L. Jost, of lawful age, and being first duly	y sworn upon her oath, states and declares:				
That she is the attorney for EOG RESOURCES a copy of the attached Application to be deposited in the parties listed on Exhibit A to the Application.	5, INC. and that on or before July, 2011, she caused the United States Mail, postage prepaid, addressed to				
Jai	mie L. Jost				
Subscribed and sworn to before me July, 201	11.				
Witness my hand and official seal.					
My commission expires:					
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