

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

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF)
WHITING OIL AND GAS CORPORATION FOR)
AN ORDER ESTABLISHING TWELVE 960-)
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)
LANDS IN TOWNSHIP 11 NORTH, RANGE 57)
WEST, WELD COUNTY, COLORADO.)

Cause No. 535

Docket No. _____

APPLICATION

Whiting Oil and Gas Corporation ("Applicant"), by and through its attorneys, Welborn Sullivan Meck & Tooley, P.C., respectfully submits this Application to the Oil and Gas Conservation Commission of the State of Colorado ("Commission") for an order establishing twelve 960-acre drilling and spacing units and establishing well location rules applicable to the drilling of wells and producing of oil and gas from the Niobrara Formation covering certain lands in Weld County, Colorado. In support of its Application, Applicant states as follows:

1. Applicant owns leasehold interests in the following lands ("Application Lands"):

Township 11 North, Range 57 West
Section 1: Lots 1, 2, 3, 4, S2N2, S2 (ALL)
Section 12: N2

Township 11 North, Range 57 West
Section 2: Lots 1, 2, 3, 4, S2N2, S2 (ALL)
Section 11: N2

Township 11 North, Range 57 West
Section 3: Lots 1, 2, 3, 4, S2N2, S2 (ALL)
Section 10: N2

Township 11 North, Range 57 West
Section 6: Lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, SENW, S2NE, E2SW, SE (ALL)
Section 7: Lots 1, 2, E2NW, NE (N2)

Township 11 North, Range 57 West
Section 12: S2
Section 13: ALL

Township 11 North, Range 57 West
Section 11: S2
Section 14: ALL

Township 11 North, Range 57 West
Section 9: S2
Section 16: ALL

Township 11 North, Range 57 West
Section 7: Lots 3, 4, E2SW, SE (S2)
Section 18: Lots 1, 2, 3, 4, E2W2, E2 (ALL)

Township 11 North, Range 57 West
Section 21: ALL
Section 28: N2

Township 11 North, Range 57 West
Section 23: ALL
Section 26: N2

Township 11 North, Range 57 West
Section 24: ALL
Section 25: N2

Township 11 North, Range 57 West
Section 26: S2
Section 35: ALL

A reference map of the Application Lands is attached hereto.

2. The Application Lands are subject to Commission Rule 318.a. which provides that a well drilled in excess of 2,500' in depth shall be located not less than 600' from any lease line, and shall be located not less than 1,200' 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.

3. The Niobrara Formation in the area of the Application Lands is defined as the stratigraphic equivalent of the interval between 5,777' (top of the Niobrara) and 6,101' (base of the Niobrara) as found in the Walker #3 Well located in Township 10 North, Range 58 West, Section 31, Weld County, Colorado. The Niobrara Formation is a common source of supply under the Application Lands.

4. 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 approximately 960 acres of the Application Lands.

5. Applicant has drilled, tested and completed wells in the Niobrara Formation upon lands in close proximity to the Application Lands.

6. 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 Niobrara Formation. The proposed drilling and spacing units are not smaller than the maximum area that can be economically and efficiently drained by the proposed wells in such drilling and spacing unit. Applicant further maintains that a well drilled in the above-proposed drilling and spacing units will have no adverse effect on correlative rights of adjacent owners.

7. Applicant is requesting to drill and complete one horizontal well in each 960-acre drilling and spacing unit described above, with the option to drill and complete an additional three wells in each drilling and spacing unit. The Applicant states the proposed horizontal well shall be located on the surface anywhere within the designated drilling and spacing unit with initial perforation of the Niobrara Formation 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 well will have no adverse effect on correlative rights of adjacent lands owners.

8. 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 13th day of December, 2012.

Respectfully submitted,

WELBORN SULLIVAN MECK & TOOLEY, P.C.

By: 
Stephen J. Sullivan
Chelsey J. Russell
Welborn Sullivan Meck & Tooley, P.C.
Attorneys for Applicant
1125 - 17th Street, Suite 2200
Denver, CO 80202
303-830-2500

Applicant's Address:


1700 Broadway, Suite 2300
Denver, CO 80290-2300

VERIFICATION

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

Scott McDaniel, Regional Landman with Whiting Oil and Gas Corporation, upon oath deposes and says that he has read the foregoing Application and that the statements contained therein are true to the best of his knowledge, information and belief.

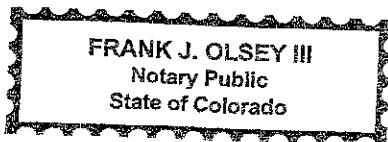
WHITING OIL AND GAS CORPORATION



Scott McDaniel, Regional Landman

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 12th day of December, 2012 by Scott McDaniel, Regional Landman for Whiting Oil and Gas Corporation.

Witness my hand and official seal.



Notary Public

Notary Public

My Commission Expires: 8-31-2014

EXHIBIT A

INTERESTED PARTIES

E. James Bryner c/o Sigma Engineering Services
Box 362
Bradford, PA

Marilyn Elizabeth Tovrea Edwards
2619 East 15th Street
Joplin, MO 64801

Judith Tovrea Fosster Living Trust, dated February 28, 1992
Judith Tovrea Foster, Trustee
Kirkwood, MO 36122

Priscilla Tovrea Holdcraft
P. O. Box 1016
Castle Rock, CO 80104

April Ernestine Pafford
P. O. Box 646
Kula, HI 96790

Edward A. Tovrea, Jr.
7946 Calledela Plata
La Jolla, CA 92037

Phoeve Tovrea Lipari
530 Exeter Lane
Cambria, CA 93428

Georgia Loy Tovrea
4966 Quincy Street
Pacific Beach
San Diego, CA 92109

Edward Tovrea Spelts
4633 East Van Buren
Suite A
Phoenix, AZ 85008

Philip E. Tovrea, III
P. O. Box 958
Jerome, AZ 86331

James H. Brown Living Trust, dated October 11, 1994, James H. Brown, Sr., Trustee
625 Birmingham Road
Burbank, CA 91504

O. L. Bell
Box 66
Quanah, TX 79252

Freeman J. Clyncke Trust, dated June 28, 2002
P. O. Box 3003
Eldorado Springs, CO 80025

Arlene G. Clyncke Trust, dated June 28, 2002
P. O. Box 3003
Eldorado Springs, CO 80025

Richard Ellison Cope
1380 South Columbine
Denver, CO 80210

Wm. H. Rouzer
1313 8th Street
Wichita Falls, TX 76301

Louis Clark Spelts, Jr.
4633 East Van Buren
Suite A
Phoenix, AZ 85008

Christine Adele Spelts Freeman
10006 North 23rd Street
Phoenix, AZ 80528

Charles T. Hansen and Elsie Day Hansen
5743 Melvin Avenue
Tarzana, CA

Dana Williams Stephenson
1060 7th Street
Berthoud, CO

Frances Du Chene
409 Monroe Street
Kimball, NE 69145

A. T. Davis
768 27th Street
Manhattan Beach, CA 90266

Kenneth C. Fritzler
701 Adams Street
Kimball, NE 69145

Lila Kuxhausen
8200 Bolsa Avenue
Midway City, CA 92655

Dale R. Stahla
Box 1148
Sterling, CO 80751

Miriam E. Riddell, a widow
P. O. Box 14
Scottsbluff, NE 63961

Carrizo (Niobrara), LLC
500 Dallas Street, Suite 2300
Houston, TX 77002

Estate of Robert J. Woody (heirs)
7502 E. Capri Ave
Mesa, AZ 85208

Noble Energy, Inc
1625 Broadway, Suite 2200
Denver, CO 80202

Gene R. Eichenberger
New Castle Retirement Center
900 N. 90th Street
Omaha, NE 68114

Florence Biggs Bowen and Emerson L. Bowen
9029 S. Hill view Rd.
Morrison, CO 80465

Francis Biggs and Ruth Biggs
Route 3
Dixon, IL 61021

Barbara J. Cochran
2590 Cody Court
Lakewood, CO 80215

H. C. Peterson
1117 Sidney St.
Omaha, NE 68147

Lucille F. Papworth
645 Paseo De La Playa
Redondo Beach, CA 90277

Ralph H. Fedderson
2512 Swift Run St.
Vienna, Va 22180

Mary Lou White, aka Mary Lou Cromie, aka Mary Lou Poff
P. O. Box 1540
Lakeport, CA 95453

Howard C. Fedderson
7729 Tauxemont Road
Alexandria, VA 22308

Clement T. Cooper
1220 West Hwy No. 821
Silver Springs, MD 20910

James Michael Cromie
4606 Parker
Amarillo, TX 79110

Scott William Cromie
718 Fariway Road
Waco, TX 76412

Dorothy L. Duncan
1502 S. 4th Ave.
Sterling, CO 80751

Mr. David Bauer
Weld County
1111 H Street
Greeley, CO 80632

USA
BLM Colorado State Office
2850 Youngfield Street
Lakewood, Colorado 80215-7093

