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

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF)	
CARRIZO OIL AND GAS, INC. FOR AN)	
ORDER VACATING ORDER NO. 535-179) Cause No	
AND ESTABLISHING A 640 ACRE DRILLING)	
AND SPACING UNIT IN SECTION 5) Docket No	o
TOWNSHIP 10 NORTH, RANGE 57 WEST)	
6 TH P.M., AN UNNAMED FIELD, WELD)	
COUNTY, COLORADO		

APPLICATION

Carrizo Oil and Gas, 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 1) vacating Order No. 535-179 and 2) establishing an exploratory 640-acre drilling and spacing unit for the below-listed lands for the development of the Niobrara Formation:

Township 10 North, Range 57 West, 6th P.M. Section 5: All

Weld County, Colorado (hereinafter the "Application Lands").

- 1. Applicant is a limited liability company duly authorized to conduct business in the State of Colorado.
 - 2. Applicant holds the right to operate on the Application Lands.
- 3. On July 9, 2012, the Commission entered Order No 535-179, which among other things, established six approximate 960-acre drilling and spacing units for certain lands, including the Application Lands, and authorized up to four horizontal wells within the units, for the production of oil, gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Niobrara Formation.
- 4. Applicant hereby requests that the Commission vacate Order No. 535-179 as it applies to the Application Lands.
- 5. Applicant also requests that the Commission establish a 640-acre exploratory drilling and spacing unit upon the Application Lands and authorize one horizontal well within the unit.
- 6. That the above-proposed exploratory drilling and spacing unit 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. A drilling and spacing unit of the size and shape specified above is not smaller than the maximum area that can be economically and efficiently drained by the proposed well in the drilling and spacing unit.

- 7. The Applicant states that the proposed horizontal well shall be located on the surface anywhere within the drilling and spacing unit.
- 8. Applicant states that the proposed horizontal well shall be located no closer than 600 feet from the boundaries of the unit (regardless of the lease lines within the unit) for the development and production of oil, gas, and other associated hydrocarbons from the Niobrara formation.
- 9. The Applicant maintains that the proposed horizontal wells will have no adverse effect on correlative rights of adjacent owners.
- 10. The undersigned certifies that copies of this Application will be served on each interested party within seven (7) days of the filing hereof, as required by Rule 503.e.

WHEREFORE, Applicant respectfully requests that this matter be set for hearing at the next available opportunity, that notice be given as required by law, and that upon such hearing this Commission enter its order:

- A. Vacating Order No. 535-179 as to the Application lands.
- B. Establishing the Application Lands as an approximate 640-acre exploratory drilling unit for the Niobrara Formation authorizing one horizontal well within the unit.
- C. Providing that the treated interval of the proposed horizontal well shall be no closer than 600 feet from the boundaries of the approximate 640-acre drilling and spacing unit for the development of the Niobrara Formation.
- D. Finding that an approximate 640-acre exploratory drilling unit for the Niobrara Formation will prevent waste, protect correlative rights, and maximize the efficient and economic production of the Niobrara Formation on the Application Lands.
- E. For such other findings and orders as the Commission may deem proper or advisable in this matter.

WHEREFORE, Applicant respectfully requests that this matter be set for hearing in February 2013, that notice be given as required by law, and that upon such hearing, the Commission enter its order consistent with Applicant's request as set forth above.

DATED this 2 day of December, 2012.

Respectfully submitted:

CARRIZO OIL AND GAS, INC.

By:

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VERIFICATION

STATE OF TEXAS)	
1/)	SS.
COUNTY OF HYVVIS)	

Craig Wiest, of lawful age, being first duly sworn upon oath, deposes and says that he is a Land Manager for Carrizo Oil & Gas, Inc. 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.

Craig Wiest

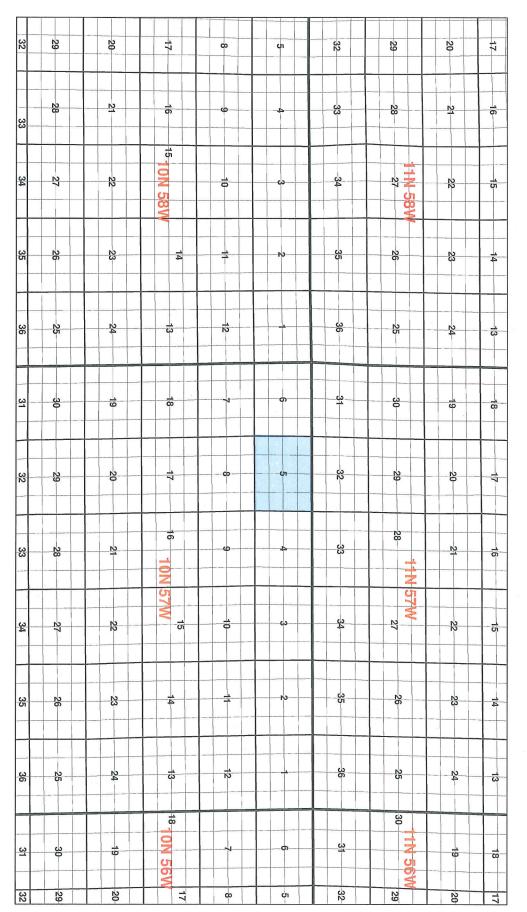
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 12+4 day of December, 2012.

Witness my hand and official seal.

My commission expires: June 26, 2013

KEVIN RANDOLPH HORNE Notary Public, State of Texas My Commission Expires June 26, 2013 Notary Public

Weld County, Colorado



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

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF CARRIZO OIL AND GAS, INC. FOR AN ORDER VACATING ORDER NO. 535-179 AND ESTABLISHING A 640 ACRE DRILLING AND SPACING UNIT IN SECTION 5 TOWNSHIP 10 NORTH, RANGE 57 WEST 6 TH P.M., AN UNNAMED FIELD, WELD COUNTY, COLORADO) Intake No. 41) Cause No) Docket No)		
AFFIDAVIT OF MAILING			
STATE OF COLORADO)			
)ss. CITY AND COUNTY OF DENVER)			
Elizabeth Y. Gallaway, of lawful age, and being first duly sworn upon her oath, states and declares:			
That she is the attorney for Carrizo Oil and Gas, Inc., that on or before December 20, 2012, she caused a copy of the attached Application to be deposited in the United States Mail, postage prepaid, addressed to the parties listed on the attached Exhibit A. Elizabeth Y. Gallaway			
Subscribed and sworn to before me/December <u>ao</u> , 2012.			
Witness my hand and official seal.			
My commission expires: 10-04-1	3 Versa Heterson Notary Public		

EXHIBIT A INTERESTED PARTIES

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