### 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 POOLING ALL INTERESTS IN THE	)	Cause No.
NIOBRARA FORMATION IN FIVE	)	
ESTABLISHED 640-ACRE DRILLING AND	)	Docket No.
SPACING UNITS LOCATED IN VARIOUS	)	
SECTIONS LOCATED IN TOWNSHIPS 8	)	
AND 9 NORTH, RANGES 59, 60, AND 61	)	
WEST, 6TH P.M., IN 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 pooling all interests in five established 640-acre drilling and spacing units for the development of the Niobrara Formation on the following described lands:

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Township 8 North, Range 60 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M.
Section 9: All ("DSU #1");

Township 8 North, Range 61 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M.
Section 20: All ("DSU #2");

Township 9 North, Range 59 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M.
Section 15: All ("DSU #3");

Township 9 North, Range 60 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M.
Section 25: All ("DSU #4");

Township 9 North, Range 60 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M.
Section 35: All ("DSU #4");
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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 and is an operator in good standing with the Commission.

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

2. Applicant owns substantial leasehold interests in the Application Lands.

- 3. On February 22, 2011, the Commission issued Order No. 535-3, which among other things, established 160 approximate 640-acre drilling and spacing units for the production of oil, gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Niobrara Formation underlying certain lands and allowed up to one horizontal well in each of the units. Order No. 535-3 applies to DSU #2, DSU #3, DSU #4, and DSU #5. Concurrent with this pooling application, Applicant has petitioned the Commission to authorize additional horizontal wells, for a total of six wells, in the unit.
- 4. On September 19, 2011, the Commission entered Order No. 535-69 which, among other things, established 40 approximate 640-acre drilling and spacing units for certain lands and approved two horizontal wells within each unit for the production of oil, gas, and associated hydrocarbons from the Niobrara Formation. Order No. 535-69 applies to DSU #1.
- 5. Applicant, pursuant to the provisions of C.R.S. § 34-60-116 (6) & (7) and Commission Rule 530, seeks an order pooling all interests, including, but not limited to, any nonconsenting interests, in the Application Lands for the development of the Niobrara Formation by the six authorized wells.
- 6. Applicant requests that the Commission's pooling order be made effective as of the earlier of the date of this Application, or the date that the costs specified in C.R.S. § 34-60-116(7)(b)(II) are first incurred for the drilling of a horizontal well to the Niobrara Formation on the Application Lands.
- 7. Applicant certifies that copies of this Application will be served on all persons owning an interest in the mineral estate of the tracts to be pooled within seven (7) days of the date hereof, as required by Rule 507.b(2), and that at least thirty (30) days prior to the hearing on this matter, each such interest owner not already leased or voluntarily pooled will be offered the opportunity to lease, or to participate in the drilling of the authorized wells, and will be provided with the information required by Rule 530. The list of such interested parties is attached hereto as Exhibit A.
- 8. That in order to prevent waste and to protect correlative rights, all interests in the Application Lands should be pooled for the orderly development of the Niobrara Formation.

WHEREFORE, Applicant 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, the Commission enter its order:

- A. Pooling all interests in the Application Lands for the development of the Niobrara Formation by the six authorized wells.
- B. Providing that the Commission's pooling order is made effective as of the earlier of the date of this Application, or the date that the costs specified in C.R.S. § 34-60-116(7)(b)(II) are first incurred for the drilling of a horizontal well to the Niobrara Formation on the Application Lands.
- C. Providing that the interests of any owners with whom the Applicant has been unable to secure a lease or other agreement to participate in the drilling of the authorized wells are pooled by operation of statute, pursuant to C.R.S. § 34-60-116(7), and made subject to the cost recovery provisions thereof with respect to said wells drilled to develop the Niobrara Formation in the drilling unit comprised of the Application Lands.

D. 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 13 day of December, 2012.

Respectfully submitted:

CARRIZO OIL AND GAS, INC.

By:

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#### VERIFICATION

STATE OF TEXAS	)
11	) ss.
COUNTY OF 19115	)

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 1/4 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

#### Exhibit A

#### Interested Parties

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AFFIDAVIT OF	MAILING
STATE OF COLORADO )	
CITY AND COUNTY OF DENVER )	
Elizabeth Y. Gallaway, of lawful age, a states and declares:	and being first duly sworn upon her oath,
That she is the attorney for Carrizo Oil a 20, 2012, she caused a copy of the attached States Mail, postage prepaid, addressed to Application.	and Gas, Inc., that on or before December Application to be deposited in the United the parties listed on Exhibit A to the
	Elizabeth Y. Gallaway
Subscribed and sworn to before me Dec	cember <u>3</u> , 2012.
Witness my hand and official seal.	
My commission expires: 10 04-10	Jerusa & Petur Notary Public