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

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF )	
KERR-MCGEE OIL & GAS ONSHORE LP FOR )	Cause No
AN ORDER TO AMEND ORDER NO. 407-561, )	
IN PART AS IT RELATES TO THE CAMP 37N- )	Docket No
26HZ WELL, AND RE-POOL A 160 ACRE )	
WELLBORE SPACING UNIT FOR THE CAMP )	
37N-26HZ WELL LOCATED IN SECTION 26, )	
TOWNSHIP 3 NORTH, RANGE 66 WEST, IN )	
THE NIOBRARA FORMATION, IN THE	
WATTENBERG FIELD, WELD COUNTY,	
COLORADO	

#### APPLICATION

COMES NOW Kerr-McGee Oil & Gas Onshore LP (referred to herein as "Applicant"), by and through its undersigned attorneys, and makes application to the Colorado Oil and Gas Conservation Commission ("Commission"), for an order to amend Order No. 407-561 by vacating the wellbore spacing unit established therein for the Camp 37N-26HZ Well, and to re-pool all interests within the amended wellbore spacing unit for the Camp 37N-26HZ Well in the Niobrara Formation, located in the following described lands:

Township 3 North, Range 66 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M. Section 26: E½E½

Weld County, Colorado ("Application Lands").

In support thereof, the Applicant states and alleges as follows:

- 1. Applicant is a limited partnership formed under the laws of the State of Delaware; is a wholly owned subsidiary of Anadarko Petroleum Corporation; is duly authorized to conduct business in the State of Colorado; and is a registered operator in good standing with the Commission.
  - 2. Applicant owns certain leasehold interests in the Application Lands.
- 3. On February 19, 1992, the Commission issued Order No. 407-87 (amended August 20, 1993), which among other things, established 80-acre drilling and spacing units for the production of oil and/or gas from the Codell and Niobrara Formations underlying certain lands, including the Application Lands, with the permitted well locations in accordance with the provisions of Order No. 407-1. Order No. 407-1 (amended on March 29, 2000 in accordance with Order No. 407-17, entered November 18, 1985), among other things, established 80-acre drilling and spacing units for the production of oil and/or gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Codell Formation underlying certain lands, including the Application Lands, with the drilling and spacing unit to be designated by the operator drilling the first well in the quarter section, (or the Director, if the operator fails to designate). The permitted well shall be located in the center of either 40-acre tract within the drilling and spacing unit with a tolerance of 200 feet in any direction. The operator shall

have the option to drill an additional well on the undrilled 40-acre tract in each 80-acre drilling and spacing unit.

- 4. On April 27, 1998, the Commission adopted Rule 318A, which, among other things, allowed certain drilling locations to be utilized to drill or twin a well, deepen a well or recomplete a well and to commingle any or all of the Cretaceous Age Formation from the base of the Dakota Formation to the surface. On December 5, 2005, Rule 318A was amended to allow interior infill and boundary wells to be drilled and wellbore spacing units to be established.
- 5. On August 8, 2011, the Commission amended Rule 318A to allow for the drilling of horizontal wells within the GWA area and the designation of horizontal well wellbore spacing units pursuant to Rule 318A(4).D. The amended Rule 318A was effective on September 30, 2011. The Application Lands units are subject to this Rule for the Niobrara Formation.
- 6. On March 5, 2012, the Commission issued Order No. 407-561, which among other things, pooled all interests in the Camp 37N-26HZ Well in the following wellbore spacing unit:

Township 3 North, Range 66 West, 6th P.M. Section 26: E½

- 7. The Camp 37N-26HZ Well was spud on May 1, 2012 and completed on May 13, 2012. A survey of the as drilled wellbore indicates that the wellbore spacing unit should be the  $E\frac{1}{2}E\frac{1}{2}$  of Section 26, Township 3 North, Range 66 West, and not the  $E\frac{1}{2}$  of Section 26, Township 3 North, Range 66 West as provided in Order No. 407-561.
- 8. Applicant hereby requests that the original wellbore spacing unit for the Camp 37N-26HZ Well, as established by Order No. 407-561 be vacated.
- 9. Applicant further requests that the Commission enter an order to re-pool all interests in the following modified 160-acre wellbore spacing unit for the Camp 37N-26HZ Well for the development of the Niobrara Formation underlying the Application Lands:

Township 3 North, Range 68 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M Section 26: E½E½

("Modified Wellbore Spacing Unit").

- 10. Applicant requests that the Commission's order be made effective as of the earlier of (i) the date of this Application, or (ii) the date that the costs specified in C.R.S. § 34-60-116(7)(b)(II) are first incurred for the drilling of the Camp 37N-26HZ to the Niobrara Formation on the Application Lands.
- 11. 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). The list of such interested parties is attached hereto as Exhibit A.

12. That in order to prevent waste and to protect correlative rights, all interests in the Modified Wellbore Spacing Unit on the Application Lands should be pooled for the orderly development of the Niobrara Formation, including any nonconsenting interests therein.

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, and the Modified Wellbore Spacing Unit for the Camp 37N-26HZ Well, for the development of the Niobrara Formation.
- B. Providing that the Commission's order is made effective as of the earlier of (i) the date of this Application, or (ii) the date that the costs specified in C.R.S. § 34-60-116(7)(b)(II) are first incurred for the drilling of the Camp 37N-26HZ 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 Camp 37N-26HZ well are pooled by operation of statute, pursuant to C.R.S. § 34-60-116(7), and made subject to the cost recovery provisions thereof.
- 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 March, 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 At day of January 2013.

Respectfully submitted,

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### <u>VERIFICATION</u>

) ss.	
CITY AND COUNTY OF DENVER)	
he is a Senior Landman for Kerr-McGee Oil Application and that the matters therein con and belief.  Da	being first duly sworn upon oath, deposes and says that il & Gas Onshore LP and that he has read the foregoing stained are true to the best of his knowledge, information are Sullivan, Senior Landman
Subscribed and sworn to before this <u>aff</u> da	ay of January 2013.
Witness my hand and official seal.	
[SEAL]	
My commission expires: 2/4/2015	Houst Cootro Notary Public

## EXHIBIT A Interested Parties

Anadarko Land Corp., subject to leasehold rights held by Anadarko E & P Company LP 1099 18th Street, Suite 1800 Denver, Colorado 80202

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

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF KERR-MCGEE OIL & GAS ONSHORE LP FOR AN ORDER TO AMEND ORDER NO. 407-56, IN PART AS IT RELATES TO THE CAMP 37N-26HZ WELL, AND RE-POOL A 160 ACRE WELLBORE SPACING UNIT FOR THE CAMP 37N-26HZ WELL LOCATED IN SECTION 26, TOWNSHIP 3 NORTH, RANGE 66 WEST, IN THE NIOBRARA FORMATION, IN THE WATTENBERG FIELD, WELD COUNTY, COLORADO	) ) Cause No ) ) Docket No ) ) )	
AFFIDAVIT OF MAILING		
STATE OF COLORADO )		
)ss. CITY AND COUNTY OF DENVER )		
Elizabeth Y. Gallaway of lawful age, and declares:	being first duly sworn upon her oath, states and	
That she is the attorney for Kerr-McGee 2013, she caused a copy of the attached Appostage prepaid, addressed to the parties listed of	Oil & Gas Onshore LP, that on or before January plication to be deposited in the United States Mail on Exhibit A to the Application.	
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Subscribed and sworn to before me on Ja	nuary <u>4</u> , 2013.	
Witness my hand and official seal.		
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