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

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF GREAT WESTERN OIL & GAS COMPANY, LLC FOR AN ORDER TO POOL ALL INTERESTS IN AN APPROXIMATE 160-ACRE WELLBORE SPACING UNIT FOR SECTION 34, TOWNSHIP 7 NORTH, RANGE 67 WEST, 6TH P.M. IN THE CODELL-NIOBRARA FORMATION, NEW WINDSOR FIELD, WELD COUNTY, COLORADO

CAUSE NO.

DOCKET NO.

### **APPLICATION**

COMES NOW Great Western Oil & Gas Company, LLC ("Applicant"), by its attorneys, Beatty & Wozniak, P.C., and makes this application to the Oil and Gas Conservation Commission of the State of Colorado ("Commission") for an order pooling all interests in an approximate 160 wellbore spacing unit for the drilling of the JBL 34-54 Well (API No. 05-123-35269) ("Well") for the development of the Codell-Niobrara Formation on the following described lands:

Township 7 North, Range 67 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M. Section 34: SE<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>

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

In support thereof, Applicant states and alleges as follows:

- 1. Applicant is a limited liability company 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 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 Formations 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. On August 8, 2011, Rule 318A was again amended to, among other things, address drilling of horizontal wells. The Application Lands are subject to Rule 318A for the Codell-Niobrara Formation.
- 5. Applicant designated an approximate 160-acre wellbore spacing unit as defined below, for the production of oil, gas, and associated hydrocarbons from the Codell-Niobrara Formation pursuant to Rule 318A, and notified the appropriate parties under Rule 318A.
- 6. Applicant, pursuant to Commission Rule 530 and/or the provisions of C.R.S. § 34-60-116 (6) and (7), hereby requests an order to pool all interests, including but not limited to, any

nonconsenting interests, in the Application Lands for the development of the Codell-Niobrara Formation underlying the following designated wellbore spacing unit:

Township 7 North, Range 67 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M. Section 34: SE<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>

(hereafter, "the Wellbore Spacing Unit").

- 7. 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 the Well to the Codell-Niobrara Formation on the Application Lands.
- 8. 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 Well, and will be provided with the information required by Rule 530 as applicable. The list of such interested parties is attached hereto as Exhibit A.
- 9. That in order to prevent waste and to protect correlative rights, all interests in the Wellbore Spacing Unit should be pooled for the orderly development of the Codell-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 Wellbore Spacing Unit for the development of the Codell-Niobrara Formation.
- 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 any of the costs specified in C.R.S. § 34-60-116(7)(b)(II) are first incurred for the drilling of each of the Well to the Codell-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 Well are pooled by operation of statute, pursuant to C.R.S. § 34-60-116(6) and (7), and made subject to the cost recovery provisions thereof with respect to the Well drilled to develop the Codell-Niobrara Formation in the Wellbore Spacing Unit comprising 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 May, 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: March <u>7</u>, 2013.

Respectfully submitted:

**GREAT WESTERN OIL & GAS COMPANY, LLC** 

By:

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Applicant's Address:

Great Western Oil & Gas Company, LLC ATTN: K. Wade Pollard, CPL 1700 Broadway, Suite 650 Denver, CO 80290

## **VERIFICATION**

STATE OF COLORADO ) ) ss. CITY AND COUNTY OF DENVER)	
K. Wade Pollard, of lawful age, being first duly sworn upon oath, deposes and says that he is the Land Manager for Great Western Oil & Gas Company, LLC 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.	
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K. Wade Pollard	
Land Manager	
Great Western Oil & Gas Company, LLC	
Subscribed and sworn to before this <u>T</u> today of March, 2013.	
Witness my hand and official seal.	
[SEAL]	
 My commission expires: $3(w 10, 2017)$	
KRISTIE SATZBERG Notary Public State of Colorado Notary ID 20134002344 My Commission Expires Jan 10, 2017	

#### **EXHIBIT A**

Great Western Operating Company, LLC 1700 Broadway, Suite 650 Denver, CO 80290

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P.O. Box 758
Greeley, CO 80634

JBL Properties, LLC 9713 WCR 74 Windsor, CO. 80550

The Windsor Reservoir and Canal Company n.k.a. WRCC, Inc. 106 Elm Ave. P.O. Box 206 Eaton, CO. 80615

Thomas G. Francis, individually and as Manager of Fox Ridge at Severance, LLC P.O. Box 10 Windsor, CO. 80550

Valley Bank and Trust 4900 E. Bromley Ln. Brighton, CO. 80601

Theodotion, LLC c/o James Howton or Rick L. Archibald 633 E. Eisenhower Blvd. Loveland, CO. 80537

Grizzly Petroleum Company, LLC 1700 Broadway, Suite 650 Denver, CO 80290

Tigges Oil, LLC 12406 WCR 64½ Greeley, CO. 80631

H&R Well Services, Inc. 17509 County Rd 14 Fort Morgan, CO. 80701-8904

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CODELL-NIOBRARA FORMATION, NEW WINDSOR FIELD, WELD COUNTY,			
COLORADO WELD COUNTY,			
AFFIDAVIT OF MAILING			
STATE OF COLORADO )			
)ss. CITY AND COUNTY OF DENVER )			
Jamie L. Jost of lawful age, and being first duly sworn upon her oath, states and declares:			
That she is the attorney for Great Western Oil & Gas Company, LLC, that on or before March , 2013, she caused a copy of the attached Application to be deposited in the United States Mail, postage prepaid, addressed to the parties listed on Exhibit A to the Application.  Jamie L. Jost			
Subscribed and sworn to before me on March, 2013.			
Witness my hand and official seal.			
My comprisator expires: 10-04-13			
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