IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF	)	
CARRIZO OIL AND GAS, INC., FOR AN	)	
ORDER VACATING TWO DRILLING UNITS	)	Cause No.
AND ESTABLISHING A 960-ACRE DRILLING	)	
UNIT WITH UP TO SIXTEEN HORIZONTAL	)	Docket No.
WELLS IN THE UNIT, LOCATED IN SECTION	)	
5, TOWNSHIP 10 NORTH, RANGE 57 WEST	)	
AND SECTION 32, TOWNSHIP 11 NORTH,	)	
RANGE 57 WEST, IN WELD COUNTY,	)	
COLORADO	)	

### <u>APPLICATION</u>

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. 535-284 and a portion of Order No. 535-102; and 2) establishing a 960-acre drilling unit with up to sixteen horizontal wells authorized in the unit, in the following-described lands:

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

Township 11 North, Range 57 West, 6th P.M.

Section 32: S½

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

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.
- 2. Applicant owns substantial leasehold interests in the Application Lands. A well location map of the Application Lands is attached as <u>Exhibit A</u>.
- 3. On December 12, 2011, the Commission issued Order No. 535-102 which, among other things established three approximate 640-acre drilling and spacing units for certain sections, including Section 32, Township 11 North, Range 57 West, 6th P.M. and approved up to two horizontal wells within each unit, for development of and production from the Niobrara Formation.
- 4. On July 9, 2012, the Commission issued Order No. 535-179 which, among other things established six approximate 960-acre drilling and spacing units consisting of certain lands including Sections 5, Township 10 North, Range 57 West 6th P.M. and authorized up to four horizontal wells within the units, for the production of oil, gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Niobrara Formation.

- 5. On March 25, 2013, the Commission issued Order No. 535-280 which, among other things approved up to six horizontal wells within certain lands, including a 960-acre unit that included Section 5, Township 10 North, Range 57 West 6<sup>th</sup> P.M., for the production of oil, gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Niobrara Formation.
- 6. On March 25, 2013, the Commission issued Order No. 535 284 which, among other things, vacated one approximate 960-acre drilling and spacing unit that included Sections 5, Township 10 North, Range 57 West, 6th P.M. and established an approximate 640-acre drilling and spacing unit for Section 5, Township 10 North, Range 57 West, 6th P.M., and approved one horizontal well within the unit, for the production of oil, gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Niobrara Formation.
- 7. On March 25, 2013, the Commission issued Order No. 535 289 which, among other things pooled all interest in certain lands, including Section 5, Township 10 North, Range 57 West 6<sup>th</sup> P.M., for the development and operation of the Niobrara Formation.
- 8. On June 17, 2013, the Commission issued Order No 535-338 which, among other things approved up to thirteen horizontal wells within an approximate 640-acre drilling and spacing unit consisting of Section 5, Township 10 North, Range 57 West, 6th P.M., for the production of oil, gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Niobrara Formation.
  - 9. Applicant requests that the Order No. 535-284 be vacated in its entirety.
- 10. Applicant requests that Order No. 535-102 be vacated as to Section 32, Township 11 North, Range 57 West, 6th P.M.
- 11. Applicant requests that the Commission establish a 960-acre drilling unit upon the Application Lands, and establish that up to sixteen horizontal wells may be drilled in the unit, with internal wellbores offset by 300 feet and unit boundary setbacks of 300 feet.
- 12. Applicant asserts that the requested drilling unit and number of wells are necessary to prevent waste, protect correlative rights, and to assure the maximum efficient recovery of oil, gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Niobrara Formation on the Application Lands.
- 13. That in order to promote efficient drainage of the Niobrara Formation underlying the application lands, to prevent waste, and to protect correlative rights, the Commission 1) vacate Order No. 535-284 and a portion of Order No. 535-102 and 2) establish a 960-acre drilling unit with up to sixteen horizontal wells in the unit upon the Application Lands. The specified size and configuration of the requested drilling unit is not smaller than the maximum area that can be economically and efficiently drained by the requested well(s).
- 14. According to Rule 507.b.(1), the names and addresses of the interested parties to this Application are set forth in <u>Exhibit B</u>, and the undersigned certifies that copies of this Application shall be served on each interested party as required by Rule 503.e.
  - 15. Applicant agrees to be bound by the oral order of the Commission.

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

- A. Vacating Order No. 535-284.
- B. Vacating Order No. 535-102 as to Section 32, Township 11 North, Range 57 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M.
- C. Establishing a 960-acre drilling unit with up to sixteen horizontal wells in the unit upon the Application Lands with internal wellbores offset by 300 feet and unit boundary setbacks of 300 feet.
- D. For such other findings and orders as the Commission may deem proper or advisable in the matter.

Dated: July 15, 2013

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### **VERIFICATION**

STATE OF TEXAS	)	
COUNTY OF HARRIS	)	SS.
that he is Land Manager for Carriz	o Oil & Ga	et duly sworn upon oath, deposes and says as, Inc. and that he has read the foregoing nined are true to the best of his knowledge,  Craig E. Wiest
Subscribed and sworn to bet	fore me thi	s <u>11<sup>ttl</sup></u> day of July, 2013.
Witness my hand and official	l seal.	
My commission expires: $3/5/w$	16	
ROSS DANIEL WARDLAW Notary Public, State of Texa My Commission Expires March 05, 2016	S	Notary Public

Exhibit A

Weld County, Colorado T10N-R57W Sec 5:All T11N-R57W Sec 32:S2

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### Exhibit B

#### Interested Parties

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STATE OF COLORADO	)	
CITY AND COUNTY OF DENVER	)ss. )	
Kenneth A. Wonstolen, of law states and declares:	<i>r</i> ful age, and	being first duly sworn upon his oath,
That he is an attorney for Ca 2013, he caused a copy of the attac Mail, postage prepaid, addressed to	hed Applicat	d Gas, Inc., that on or before July 25 ion to be deposited in the United States isted on Exhibit B to the Application.
	Ę.	Kenneth A. Wonstolen
Subscribed and sworn to befo	ore me July _	<u>/8</u> , 2013.
Witness my hand and official	seal.	
My commission expires:	3/4/15	·
	<u> </u>	Notary Public
		MARY GRACE T. GO-HOVEL A Notary Public State of Colorado

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WELD COUNTY, COLORADO		

### **ENTRY OF APPEARANCE**

The undersigned, a member of the firm of Beatty & Wozniak, P.C., attorneys for Carrizo Oil and Gas, Inc., applicant in the above-referenced application, enters her appearance therein.

Dated this 9<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2013.

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