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

CAUSE NO. 407
DOCKET NO. 1310-UP
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#### **VERIFIED APPLICATION**

COMES NOW, Bonanza Creek Energy Operating Company LLC ("Applicant"), by its attorneys, Lohf Shaiman Jacobs Hyman & Feiger PC, and submits its verified application to the Oil and Gas Conservation Commission of the State of Colorado (the "Commission"), for an order confirming a wellbore drilling and spacing unit for the State Antelope U-Y-32HNB well (API # 05-123-37227), and pooling all owners therein, for the Niobrara Formation, in certain lands in the Wattenberg Field, Weld County, Colorado, and in support of its application states as follows.

- Applicant is duly organized and authorized to conduct business in the State of 1 Colorado.
- Applicant owns leasehold interests in the following described lands in Weld County. Colorado, containing approximately 320-acres (hereinafter, the "Application Lands"):

Township 5 North, Range 62 West, 6th P.M. Section 32: E/2E/2

- Section 33: W/2W/2
- Pursuant to Commission Rule 318A.a.4.D, Bonanza has duly designated the Application Lands as an approximate 320-acre wellbore drilling and spacing unit for the horizontal State Antelope U-Y-32HNB well (API #05-123-37227) drilled to the Niobrara Formation in the Application Lands, for production of oil, gas and associated hydrocarbons.
- Applicant has drilled and is in the process of completing the horizontal State Antelope U-Y-34HNB well on the Application Lands to the Niobrara Formation.
- To ensure that all interested parties have notice, to promote efficient drainage of the Niobrara Formation in the Application Lands, to protect correlative rights and avoid waste, the Commission should confirm the wellbore drilling and spacing unit of approximately 320 acres. consisting of the Application Land for the State Antelope U-Y-32HNB well.

- 6. 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 a single horizontal well to the Niobrara Formation in the proposed drilling and spacing unit.
- 7. At least 30 days prior to the hearing on this application, the Applicant will have sent all owners listed on **Exhibit A**, who have not previously consented to lease or otherwise participate in the State Antelope U-Y-32HNB well, an Authority for Expenditures ("AFE") containing all information required under Commission Rule 530.b., and if they are an unleased mineral owner a lessee, an offer to lease which is reasonable, based on the factors listed in Commission Rule 530.c.
- 8. Applicant anticipates that one or more of such owners will refuse or fail to respond to such offer to lease or participate in the drilling, completion and operation of such well, and shall be deemed non-consenting parties under Commission Rule 530.b and c.
- 9. An order of the Commission pooling all interests in an approximate 320 acre unit composed of the Application Lands shall therefore be necessary in order to afford each owner of an interest in such unit the opportunity to recover and receive its just and equitable share of the oil and/or gas from the common source of supply underlying said unit.
- 10. The granting of the requested order would not be prejudicial to the owners in the unit and would protect correlative rights.
- 11. The requested pooling order should be effective as of the date of this Application, or the date that costs specified by C.R.S. §34-60-116(7)(b) were first incurred by Applicant for the drilling of the State Antelope U-Y-32HNB well, whichever is first in time.
- 12. The names and addresses of the interested parties according to the information and belief of the Applicant are set forth on **Exhibit A** attached hereto and made a part hereof.

WHEREFORE, Applicant, Bonanza Creek Energy Operating Company LLC, respectfully requests that this matter be set for hearing, that notice be given as required by law and upon such hearing this Commission enter its order confirming the 320-acre wellbore spacing unit for the State Antelope U-Y-32HNB well, for oil, gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Niobrara Formation consisting of the Application Lands, and pooling all interests in said unit for production from said Formation, under such terms as are fair, reasonable and required by law.

Dated: August 27, 2013.

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## **VERIFICATION**

STATE OF COLORADO ) ) ss.
CITY AND COUNTY OF DENVER )
The undersigned, of lawful age, having been first sworn upon his oath, deposes and states that:
1. She is a Land Technician for the Applicant, Bonanza Creek Energy Operating Company LLC, and maintains her office at 410 17th Street, Suite 1400, Denver, Colorado 80202.
2. She has read the within Verified Application, is familiar with the facts set forth therein, and states that said facts are true and correct to the best of her knowledge and belief.
Further Affiant sayeth not.  Claudilleur  Caroline Heuring
Subscribed and sworn to before me this $27$ day of August, 2013.
Witness my hand and official seal.  My commission expires: 11-20-2010  Notary Public
ALEXANDER S. NEWELL  NOTARY PUBLIC STATE OF COLORADO NOTARY ID # 20124075431 MY COMMISSION EXPIRES NOVEMBER 20, 2016

#### **EXHIBIT "A"**

## TO APPLICATION OF BONANZA CREEK ENERGY OPERATING COMPANY LLC

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### **Other Interested Parties:**

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STATE OF COLORADO ) ) ss.		
CITY & COUNTY OF DENVER )		
J. Michael Morgan, of lawful age and being declares:	first duly sworn upon his oath, states and	
2013, he caused a copy of the attached Verified Ap Mail, postage prepaid, addressed to the parties list.	ed on <b>Exhibit A</b> to the Application.  Michael-Morgan	
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 29th	day of August, 2013	
Witness my hand and official seal. My commission expires: 8 38 17  ANITA L. CULLIGAN NOTARY PUBLIC STATE OF COLORADO NOTARY ID 19974015528 MY COMMISSION EXPIRES AUGUST 28, 2017	ary Public	