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

IN THE MATTER OF AN APPLICATION BY CIRQUE	)	
RESOURCES LP FOR AN ORDER TO ESTABLISH AN	)	CAUSE NO. 535
APPROXIMATE 640-ACRE DRILLING AND SPACING UNIT	)	
FOR SECTION 33, TOWNSHIP 12 NORTH, RANGE 66 WEST,	)	DOCKET NO. To be assigned
6 <sup>TH</sup> P.M., FOR HORIZONTAL WELL DEVELOPMENT OF	)	_
THE CODELL FORMATION, UNNAMED FIELD, WELD	)	
COUNTY, COLORADO	)	

#### APPLICATION

Cirque Resources LP ("Cirque" or "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 establishing an approximate 640-acre drilling and spacing unit for Section 33, Township 12 North, Range 66 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M., and authorizing the drilling of up to four (4) horizontal wells within the proposed unit, for the production of oil, gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Codell Formation. In support of its Application, Applicant states and alleges as follows:

- 1. Applicant is a limited partnership duly authorized to conduct business in the State of Colorado, and has registered as an operator with the Commission.
  - 2. Applicant owns majority leasehold interests in the below-listed lands:

Township 12 North, Range 66 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M. Section 33: All

These lands are hereinafter referred to as the "Application Lands." A map depicting the acreage comprising the Application Lands is attached hereto and marked as Exhibit A.

- 3. Rule 318.a. of the Commission Rules provides a well to be drilled 2,500 feet or greater shall be located not less than 600 feet from any lease line, and shall be located not less than 1,200 feet from any other producible or drilling oil or gas well when drilling to the same common source of supply, unless authorized by the Commission upon hearing. The Application Lands are subject to this Rule for the production of oil, gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Codell Formation.
- 4. Applicant requests the Commission establish the Application Lands as an approximate 640-acre drilling and spacing unit for the Codell Formation pursuant to Rule 503.b.(1) and §34-60-116(2), C.R.S. For the Application Lands, the proposed drilling unit is not smaller than the maximum area that can be economically and efficiently drained by the horizontal wells proposed to be drilled under this Application and completed in the Codell Formation.
- 5. Applicant requests it be authorized to drill and complete up to four (4) horizontal wells in the approximate 640-acre drilling and spacing unit for the Application Lands, for the production of oil, gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Codell Formation, as necessary to economically and efficiently recover resources, while minimizing surface impacts, creating efficiencies for drilling and production, increasing the ultimate recovery of the reserves, preventing waste, and protecting correlative rights.
- 6. Applicant states that, for any permitted wells to be drilled under this Application, the treated intervals of the wellbore should be not less than 300 feet from the proposed unit boundaries with an inter-well setback of not less than 660 feet from the treated interval of a well producing from the Codell Formation, without exception being granted by the Director.

- 7. Applicant states that any horizontal wells to be drilled under this Application will be drilled from the surface of the drilling unit, or on adjacent lands with consent of the landowner, without exception being granted by the Director.
- 8. The granting of this Application is in accord with the Oil and Gas Conservation Act, found at §34-60-101, et seq., C.R.S., and the Commission rules.
- 9. Applicant requests that relief granted under this Application should be effective on oral order by the Commission, and Applicant hereby agrees to being bound by said oral order.
- 10. That the names and addresses of the interested parties (owners within the proposed drilling unit and those owners of contiguous or concerning tracts which may be affected by the change in minimum setbacks) according to the information and belief of the Applicant are set forth in Exhibit B attached hereto. The Applicant shall submit a certificate of service for the Application within the seven days as required by Rule 503.e.

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

- A. Establishing an approximate 640-acre drilling and spacing unit for the Application Lands, and authorizing the drilling of up to four (4) horizontal wells within the proposed unit, for the production of oil, gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Codell Formation, with the treated intervals of the wellbore of any permitted wells to be located not less than 300 feet from the outer boundary of the proposed unit and an inter-well setback of not less than 660 feet from the treated interval of any well being drilled or producing from the Codell Formation, without exception being granted by the Director.
- B. Requiring that any permitted wells to be drilled under this Application should be drilled from the surface of the drilling unit, or on adjacent lands with consent of the landowner, without exception being granted by the Director.
- C. Providing that relief granted under this Application be effective on oral order by the Commission, relying on the Applicant's desire to be bound by said oral order.

D. For such other findings and orders as the Commission may deem proper or advisable in the premises.

DATED this 15th day of April, 2014.

Respectfully submitted,

CIRQUE RESOURCES LP

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### **VERIFICATION**

STATE OF COLORADO	)
	) ss.
CITY & COUNTY OF DENVER	)

Mark Seligman, Landman for Cirque Resources LP, upon oath deposes and says that he has read the foregoing Application and that the statements contained therein are true to the best of his knowledge, information and belief.

CIRQUE RESOURCES LP

Mark Seligman

Subscribed and sworn to before me this \_\_\_\_\_ day of April, 2014, by Mark Seligman, Landman for Cirque Resources LP.

Witness my hand and official seal.

My commission expires: 10-04-17

TERESA L. PETERSON
NOTARY PUBLIC
STATE OF COLORADO
NOTARY ID 19894002026

MY COMMISSION EXPIRES OCT.4, 2017

Notary Public

Application Lands -

Sec. 33, T12N, R66W Weld County

Exhibit A

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Application Map	17	50	29	32	S	00	17
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#### **EXHIBIT B**

#### INTERESTED PARTIES

The names and addresses of the interested parties (owners within Section 33, Township 12 North, Range 66 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M., and those owners of contiguous or concerning tracts which may be affected by the change in minimum setbacks) according to the information and belief of the Applicant are set forth in this Exhibit B.

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CITY AND COUNTY OF DENVER	)		

Jennifer Pittenger, of lawful age, and being first duly sworn upon her oath, states and declares:

That she is a Legal Assistant at Beatty & Wozniak, P.C., attorneys for Noble Energy, Inc., and on or before April 23°, 2014, caused a copy of the attached Application to be deposited in the United States Mail, postage prepaid, addressed to the parties listed on Exhibit B to the Application.

Jennifer Pittenger

Subscribed and sworn to before me this \_\_\_\_\_ day of April, 20

Witness my hand and official seal.

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