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

IN THE MATTER OF AN APPLICATION BY WPX ENERGY ROCKY MOUNTAIN, LLC, FOR AN ORDER POOLING ALL INTERESTS IN THE APPROXIMATE 1132-ACRE DRILLING AND SPACING UNIT ESTABLISHED FOR SECTIONS 28 AND 33, TOWNSHIP 6 SOUTH, RANGE 96 WEST, 6TH P.M., FOR THE DEVELOPMENT AND OPERATION OF THE MANCOS, NIOBRARA, FRONTIER, MOWRY, AND DAKOTA FORMATIONS, GRAND VALLEY FIELD, GARFIELD COUNTY, COLORADO

CAUSE NO.

DOCKET NO.

APPLICATION

WPX Energy Rocky Mountain, LLC, Colorado Operator No. 96850 ("WPX" or "Applicant"), by and through its attorneys, Beatty and Wozniak, P.C., respectfully submits this Application to the Oil and Gas Conservation Commission of the State of Colorado (the "Commission") for an order pooling all interests in the approximate 1132-acre drilling and spacing unit established for Sections 28 and 33, Township 7 South, Range 95 West, 6th P.M., for the development and operation of the Mancos (including the Sego Formation), Niobrara, Frontier, Mowry, and Dakota Formations (collectively, the "Deep Formations"). 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 has registered as an operator with the Commission.
 - 2. Applicant owns substantial leasehold interests in the below-listed lands:

Township 6 South, Range 96 West, 6th P.M.

Section 28: Lots 5 thru 13, S½NW¼, NE¼SW¼ (a.k.a. S½N½, S½)

Section 33: All (Lots 1 thru 12, NW¼NW¼, SE¼NW¼, SW¼NE¼, NW¼ SE¼)

Garfield County, Colorado ("Application Lands")

A map depicting the acreage comprising the Application Lands is attached hereto and marked as <u>Exhibit A</u>.

3. On July 29, 2014, the Commission entered Order No. 547-9, which established an approximate 1132-acre exploratory drilling unit for the Deep Formations and approved up to 40 horizontal, vertical or directional wells within the unit with the productive interval of the wellbore to be located no closer than 600 feet from the eastern and western unit boundaries and not less than 300 feet from the northern and southern unit boundaries, and no closer than 300 feet from the treated interval of any other wellbore located in the unit, without exception being granted by the Director.

- 4. Acting pursuant to the relevant provisions of §34-60-116(6) & (7), C.R.S., and Rule 530., Applicant seeks an order pooling all interests, including, but not limited to, any nonconsenting interests, for the development and operation of the Deep Formations within the Drilling and Spacing Unit established by Order No. 547-9.
- 5. Applicant requests that the pooling order entered as a result of this Application be made effective as of the earlier of the date of this Application, or the date that the costs specified in §34-60-116(7)(b), C.R.S., are first incurred for the drilling of the initial well on the Application Lands.
- 6. The granting of this Application is in accord with the Oil and Gas Conservation Act, C.R.S. §34-60-101, *et seq.*, and the Commission rules.
- 7. Applicant requests that relief granted under this Application should be effective on oral order by the Commission, and Applicant agrees to being bound by said oral order.
- 8. Copies of this Application will be submitted to the interested parties (persons who own any interest in the mineral estate of the tracts to be pooled, except owners of overriding royalty interest), who are listed on Exhibit B, attached hereto and incorporated herein to the Application, within 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. Pooling all interests in the Application Lands for the development and operation of the Mancos (including the Sego Formation), Niobrara, Frontier, Mowry, and Dakota Formations within the Drilling and Spacing Unit established by Order No. 547-9, with the pooling order made effective as of the earlier of the date of this Application, or the date that the costs specified in §34-60-116(7)(b), C.R.S., are first incurred for the drilling of the initial well on the Application Lands.
- B. 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 an authorized well proposed for the Deep Formations, are pooled by operation of statute, pursuant to §34-60-116(7), C.R.S., and made subject to the cost recovery provisions thereof, for all authorized wells to be drilled under Order No. 547-9, for the development and operation of the Deep Formations.

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

DATED this <u>\(\lambda\)</u> day of February, 2015.

Respectfully submitted,

WPX ENERGY ROCKY MOUNTAIN, LLC

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VERIFICATION

STATE OF COLORADO)
CITY & COUNTY OF DENVER) ss.)
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Christopher M. Walsh, Senior Staff Landman for WPX Energy Rocky Mountain, LLC, 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.

WPX ENERGY ROCKY MOUNTAIN, LLC

Christopher M. Walsh

Subscribed and sworn to before me this ______ day of February, 2015, by Christopher M. Walsh, Senior Staff Landman for WPX Energy Rocky Mountain, LLC.

Witness my hand and official seal.

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Notary Public

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NOTARY PUBLIC
STATE OF COLORADO
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EXHIBIT A

Reference Map

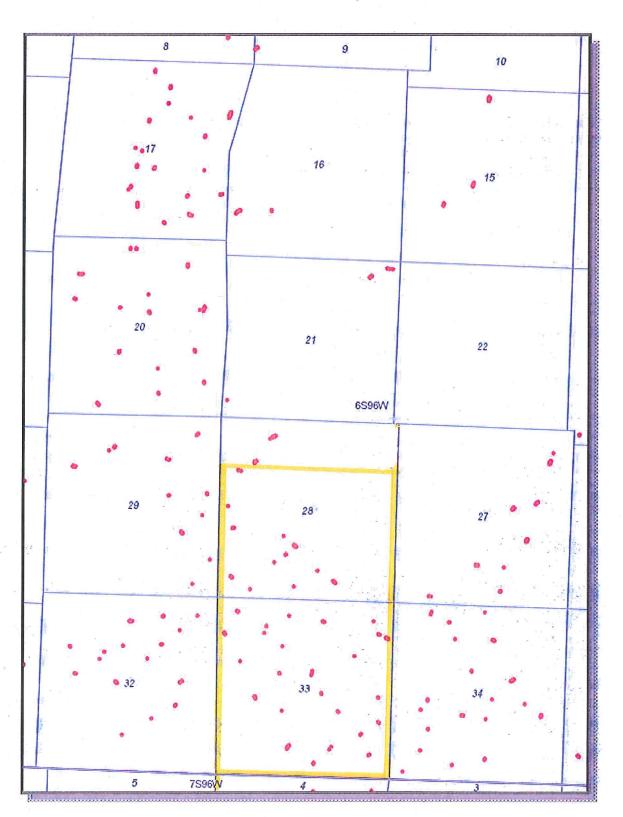


EXHIBIT B

INTERESTED PARTIES

The names and addresses of the interested parties (persons who own any interest in the mineral estate of the tracts to be pooled, except owners of overriding royalty interest) according to the information and belief of the Applicant are set forth in this Exhibit B.

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

That she is a Legal Assistant for Beatty & Wozniak P.C. the attorneys for WPX Energy Rocky Mountain, LLC, that on or before 18th, 2015, 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 B to the Application.

Jennifer Rittenger

Subscribed and sworn to before me on teasure 1, 2015

Witness my hand and official seal.

TERESA L. PETERSON

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