

**BEFORE THE OIL & GAS CONSERVATION COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF COLORADO**

IN THE MATTER OF AN APPLICATION BY PDC ENERGY, INC. FOR AN ORDER TO SUBJECT PREVIOUSLY UNNOTICED PARTIES TO DOCKET NO. 150700386, POOLING ALL INTERESTS IN AN APPROXIMATE 320-ACRE DESIGNATED HORIZONTAL WELLBORE SPACING UNIT ESTABLISHED FOR SECTION 18, TOWNSHIP 4 NORTH, RANGE 67 WEST, 6TH P.M., FOR THE DEVELOPMENT/OPERATION OF THE NIOBRARA FORMATION, WATTENBERG FIELD, WELD COUNTY, COLORADO

CAUSE NO. 407

DOCKET NO. *To be assigned*

APPLICATION

PDC Energy, Inc., Operator No. 69175, ("PDC" 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 ("Commission") for an order declaring a Pending Order of the Commission applicable to previously unnoticed parties. Docket No. 150700386, currently pending before the Commission ("Pending Order") seeks to pool all interests in an approximate 320-acre horizontal wellbore spacing unit established for certain portions of Section 18, Township 4 North, Range 67 West, 6th P.M., for the development and operation of the Niobrara Formation. 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 4 North, Range 67 West, 6th P.M.
Section 18: E½

Wellbore Spacing Unit ("WSU") No. 1
320 acres, more or less, Weld County, Colorado

These lands are hereinafter referred to as the "Application Lands" and depicted in Exhibit A attached hereto.

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.

4. Pursuant to Rule 318A., Applicant designated an approximate 320-acre horizontal wellbore spacing unit, comprised of the Application Lands, for the below-described well, for the production of oil, gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Niobrara Formation. Applicant notified all owners in the proposed wellbore spacing unit pursuant to Rule 318A.e.(5). Applicant did not receive objections to the establishment of the proposed horizontal wellbore spacing unit within the 30-day response period:

a. Rieder #18T-321 Well (API No. 05-123-40565) – Niobrara Formation – WSU #1.

This well is hereinafter referred to as the “Subject Well.”

5. Docket No. 150700386 is set to be heard before the Commission on July 20, 2015, and requests an order pooling all interests in the Application Lands, and subjecting any owners with whom the Applicant has been unable to secure a lease or other agreement to participate in the drilling of the Subject Well to the cost recovery provisions of §34-60-116(7), C.R.S., effective as of the earlier of the date of the Application, or the date the costs specified in §34-60-116(7)(b), C.R.S. are first incurred for the drilling of the Subject Well.

6. Applicant has since identified one or more interested parties, identified on Exhibit B attached hereto, who did not receive notice of the pooling application in Docket No. 150700386.

7. Applicant is not seeking to apply the cost recovery provisions of §34-60-116(7), C.R.S. to the additional interested parties identified on Exhibit B.

8. Applicant requests that the Commission subject the unnoticed interested parties to the Pending Order, and that said Pending Order be effective as of the date of the original pooling application.

9. 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.

10. Applicant requests that relief granted under this Application should be effective on oral order by the Commission, and Applicant hereby agrees to be bound by said oral order.

11. That the names and addresses of the interested parties (previously unnoticed persons own any interest in the mineral estate of the tracts to be pooled by the Pending Order, except owners of overriding royalty interest) 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. Declaring the Pending Order applicable to previously unnoticed parties.

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

DATED this 16 day of July, 2015.

Respectfully submitted,

PDC ENERGY, INC.

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VERIFICATION

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

Joshua Wagner, Senior Regional Landman for PDC Energy, Inc., 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.

PDC ENERGY, INC.

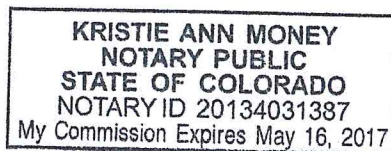


Joshua Wagner

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 15 day of July, 2015, by Joshua Wagner, Senior Regional Landman for PDC Energy, Inc.

Witness my hand and official seal.

My commission expires: 5/16/2017



Notary Public

Exhibit A

Reference Map for Pooling Application

Township 4 North, Range 67 West, 6th P.M.
Section 18: E½

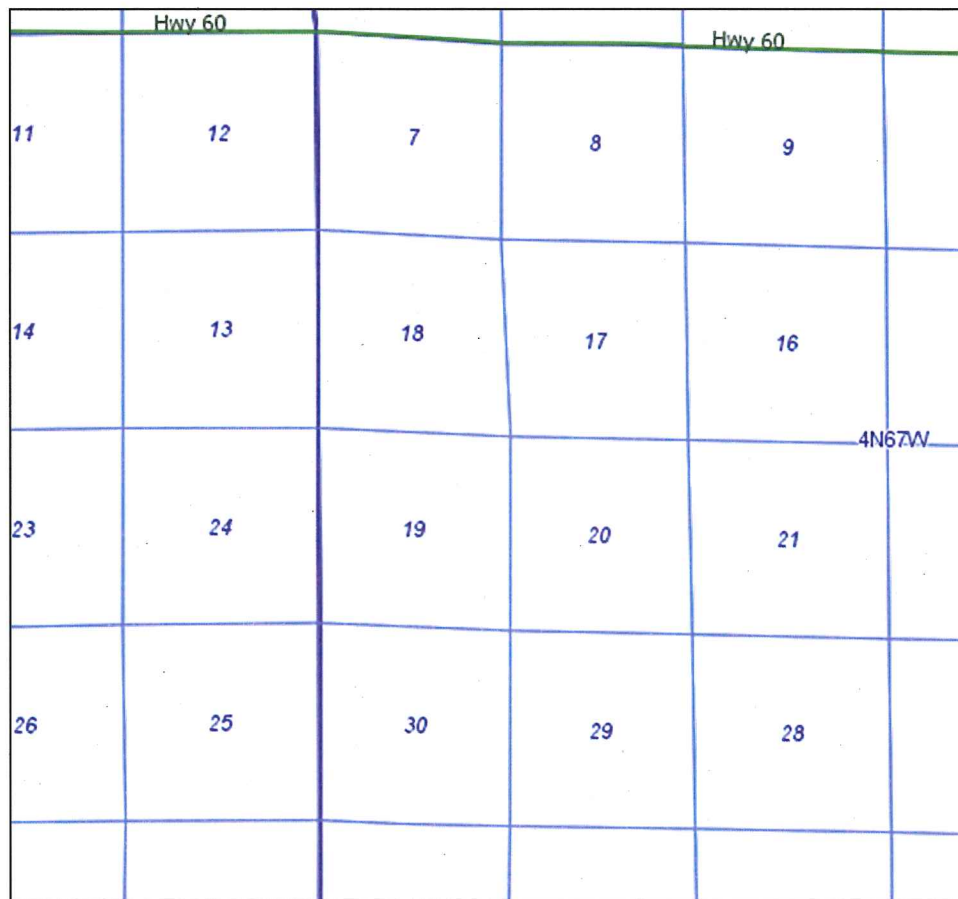


EXHIBIT B

INTERESTED PARTIES

The names and addresses of the additional interested parties (previously unnoticed 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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That she is a Legal Assistant at Beatty & Wozniak, P.C., attorneys for PDC Energy, Inc., and on or before July 23, 2015, 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.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 16th day of July, 2015.

TERESA L. PETERSON
NOTARY PUBLIC
STATE OF COLORADO
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MY COMMISSION EXPIRES OCT. 4, 2017

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Notary Public