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

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF CONOCOPHILLIPS COMPANY FOR AN ORDER TO VACATE PORTIONS OF ORDER NO. 535-97 AND TO ESTABLISH AN APPROXIMATE 1280-ACRE DRILLING AND SPACING UNIT WITH WELL LOCATION RULES FOR THE NIOBRARA FORMATION IN SECTIONS 15 AND 16, TOWNSHIP 4 SOUTH, RANGE 65 WEST, 6<sup>TH</sup> P.M., AN UNNAMED FIELD, ARAPAHOE COUNTY, COLORADO

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#### **APPLICATION**

ConocoPhillips Company (Operator No. 19160) ("Applicant"), by and through its attorneys, Burleson LLP, respectfully submits this Application to the Oil and Gas Conservation Commission of the State of Colorado (the "Commission") for an order to establish an approximate 1280-acre drilling and spacing unit and authorize up to two (2) horizontal wells in order to efficiently and economically recover the oil, gas and associated hydrocarbons within said 1280-acre drilling and spacing unit from the Niobrara Formation underlying the below-described lands. In support of its Application, Applicant states and alleges as follows:

- 1. Applicant is a Delaware corporation duly organized and authorized to conduct business in the State of Colorado.
- 2. Applicant owns leasehold interests or holds the right to operate on the following lands (hereafter "Application Lands"):

Township 4 South, Range 65 West, 6th P.M.

Section 15: All Section 16: All

1280 acres, more or less, Arapahoe County, Colorado.

A reference map of the Application Lands is attached hereto.

3. Rule 318.a. of the Rules and Regulations of the Oil and Gas Conservation Commission requires that, on unspaced lands, wells drilled in excess of 2,500 feet in depth be located not less than 600 feet from any lease line, and 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. Section 16 of the Application Lands are subject to Rule 318.a. for the Niobrara formation.

- 4. On October 31, 2011, the Commission entered Order No. 535-97, which among other things, approves the request for an order establishing 30 approximate 640-acre drilling and spacing units for lands in Townships 4 and 5 South, Ranges 64 and 65 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M., for the production of oil, gas, and associated hydrocarbons from the Niobrara Formation. Applicant requests that Order No. 535-97 be vacated as it applies to Section 15 of the Application Lands.
- 5. The records of the Commission reflect that no wells have been drilled to, are currently producing from, or have produced from the Niobrara Formation in the Application Lands.
- 6. To promote efficient drainage within the Niobrara Formation of the Application Lands, to protect correlative rights and to avoid waste, the Commission should vacate portions of Order No. 535-97, and establish an approximate 1280-acre drilling and spacing unit for Sections 15 and 16, Township 4 South, Range 65 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M. for the production of oil, gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Niobrara Formation.
- 7. That the above-proposed drilling and spacing unit will allow efficient drainage of the Niobrara Formation; will prevent waste; will not adversely affect correlative rights and will assure the greatest ultimate recovery of gas and associated hydrocarbon substances from the reservoirs. The unit of the size and shape specified above is not smaller than the maximum area that can be economically and efficiently drained by the proposed wells in the unit.
- 8. That the Applicant is requesting to drill and complete up to two (2) horizontal wells within the unit in order to efficiently and economically recover the oil, gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Niobrara Formation within the approximate 1280-acre drilling and spacing unit composed of Sections 15 and 16, Township 4 South, Range 65 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M., and that there will be no adverse effect on correlative rights of adjacent owners.
- 9. The Applicant maintains that there will be no more than four (4) new well pads in the unit, unless an exception is granted by the Director.
- 10. The treated interval of each proposed horizontal well shall be no closer than 460 feet from the boundaries of the unit (regardless of the lease lines within the unit) and all horizontal wells shall be no closer than 150 feet from the treated interval of another well producing from the same source of supply within the unit, unless an exception is granted by the Director.
- 11. The undersigned certifies that copies of this Application will be served on each interested party within seven (7) days of the filing hereof, as required by Rule 503.e.

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

- A. Vacating Order No. 535-97 as it applies to Section 15 of the Application Lands.
- B. Establishing an approximate 1280-acre drilling and spacing unit for Sections 15 and 16, Township 4 South, Range 65 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M. and allowing up to two (2) horizontal wells in the unit in order to efficiently and economically develop and recover the oil, gas and associated hydrocarbons from of the Niobrara Formation in the unit.
- C. Providing that the treated interval any horizontal well shall be no closer than 460 feet from the boundaries of the unit and not less than 150 feet from the treated interval of another well within the unit, and authorizing up to one (1) well pad per quarter-quarter in the unit, unless an exception is granted by the Director.
- D. Finding that an approximate 1280-acre drilling and spacing unit for the development of the Niobrara Formation on the Application Lands will prevent waste, protect correlative rights, and maximize the efficient and economic production of the Niobrara Formation in Sections 15 and 16, Township 4 South, Range 65 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M.
- E. For such other findings and orders as the Commission may deem proper or advisable in this matter.

WHEREFORE, Applicant respectfully requests that this matter be set for hearing in September 2015, that notice be given as required by law, and that upon such hearing, the Commission enter its order consistent with Applicant's request as set forth above.

DATED July  $\sqrt{\rho}$ , 2015.

Respectfully submitted:

ConocoPhillips Company

Ву:

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### **VERIFICATION**

STATE OF TEXAS	)
	) ss
COUNTY OF HARRIS	)

Lance Young, Associate Landman with ConocoPhillips Company, 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.

CONOCOPHILLIPS COMPANY

Lance Young

Associate Landman

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 15 day of July 2015, by Lance Young, Associate Landman for ConocoPhillips Company.

Witness my hand and official seal.

My commission expires: Hugust

Votary Public

REGINA M. PAURA
Notary Public, State of Texas
My Commission Expires
August 06, 2017

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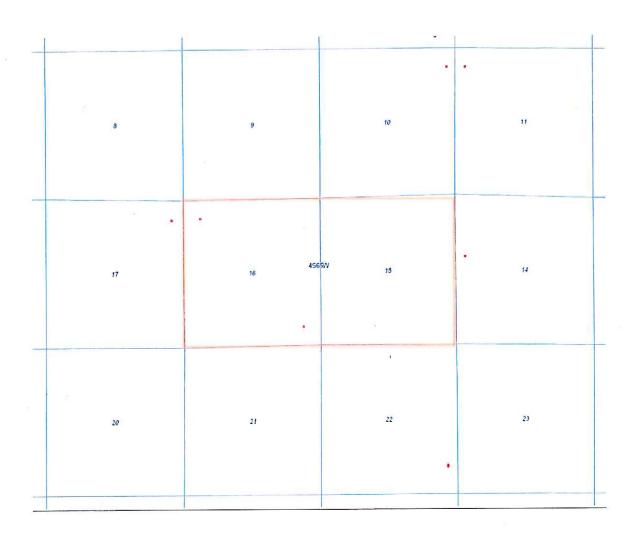
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STATE OF COLORADO	) )ss.
CITY AND COUNTY OF DENVER	)
declare that I am the attorney for Cor day of July 2015, I caused a copy	and being first duly sworn upon my oath, state and nocoPhillips Company, and that on or before the of the attached Application to be deposited in the addressed to the parties listed on Exhibit A to the Jamie L. Jost
Subscribed and sworn to before me this	day of July 2015.
Witness my hand and official seal.	
[SEAL]	
My commission expires: June 24  Notary Public	RACHEL FLEMING NOTARY PUBLIC STATE OF COLORADO NOTARY ID 20144025048 MY COMMISSION EXPIRES JUNE 24, 2018

### Reference Map ConocoPhillips Company

## Sections 15 and 16, Township 4 South, Range 65 West, 6th P.M.



<sup>\*</sup> There are no federally owned minerals within the Application Lands

### Exhibit A SP – Lone Tree 4-65 16-15 3AH

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### SUPPLEMENTAL AFFIDAVIT OF MAILING

STATE OF COLORADO )
COUNTY OF DENVER )
Zachary P. Sears of lawful age, and being first duly sworn upon his oath, states and declares:
That he is the attorney for ConocoPhillips Company and that on or before the <a href="ZZ">ZZ</a> day of July, 2015, he caused a copy of the attached Application to be deposited in the United States Mail, postage prepaid, addressed to the parties attached hereto.  **Company and that on or before the <a href="ZZ">ZZ</a> day of July, 2015, he caused a copy of the attached Application to be deposited in the United States Mail, postage prepaid, addressed to the parties attached hereto.  **Company and that on or before the <a href="ZZ">ZZ</a> day of July, 2015, he caused a copy of the attached Application to be deposited in the United States Mail, postage prepaid, addressed to the parties attached hereto.
Zachary P. Sears
Subscribed and sworn to before me this day of July, 2015.
Witness my hand and official seal.
[SEAL]
My commission expires: June 24, 2018
RACHEL FLEMING NOTARY PUBLIC STATE OF COLORADO NOTARY ID 20144025048  Notary Public

# Supplemental Interested Parties SP – Lone Tree 4-65 16-15 3AH

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