

**HEARING AGENDA** 

Terrace Room, Sheraton Hotel 1550 Court Place Denver, Colorado 80202

## Tuesday, December 9, 2008

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- 8:35 a.m. <u>Approval of Proceedings</u>
- (1) 8:40 a.m. <u>Consent Agenda</u>

## **CONSENT AGENDA**

No valid protests/interventions were received or valid protests were resolved, or no interventions were made on the technical merits for the matters listed below. Based upon requests made by the applicants to approve the applications based on the merits of the verified applications and the supporting written testimony and exhibits, the Hearing Officers recommend approval. Draft proposed orders were provided. The applicants agreed to be bound by oral order of the Commission.

# RULE 511.b. RECOMMENDATIONS

Cause No. 191, Docket No. 0810-AW-31, Mamm Creek Field, Garfield CountyApplicant:Bill Barrett CorporationAttorney:William A. Keefe

- Subject: Request for an order to allow the equivalent of one well per 10 acres, with the permitted well to be located no closer than 100 feet from the unit boundary for the W<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> NW<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> of Section 21, Township 6 South, Range 91 West, 6th P.M., for production of gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Williams Fork and Iles Formations.
- Comments: Continued from the October hearing.

Cause No. 112, Docket No. 0810-AW-32, Ignacio-Blanco Field, La Plata CountyApplicant:BP America Production CompanyAttorneys:Michael J. Wozniak/Susan L. Aldridge

Subject: Request for an order to allow up to four optional wells in certain 320-acre drilling and spacing units, with the permitted well to be located no closer than 660 feet from the unit boundary and with no setback any interior quarter section line, for certain lands in Townships 34 and 35 North, Ranges 6 through 8 West, N.M.P.M., for

production of gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Fruitland coal seams.

- Intervenor: La Plata County Attorney: Jeffery P. Robbins
- Comments: Continued from the October hearing. Intervention conditionally withdrawn on entry of proposed order.

Cause No. 112, Docket No. 0810-AW-33, Ignacio-Blanco Field, La Plata County

- Applicants: BP America Production Company and Red Willow Production Company Attorneys: Michael J. Wozniak/Susan L. Aldridge
- Subject: Request for an order to allow up to four optional wells in certain 320-acre drilling and spacing units, with the permitted well to be located no closer than 660 feet from the unit boundary and with no setback to any interior quarter section line, for certain lands in Township 32 North, Ranges 5, 6 and 9 West, N.M.P.M. and Township 34 North, Ranges 6 and 7 West, N.M.P.M., for production of gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Fruitland coal seams.
- Intervenor: La Plata County Attorney: Jeffery P. Robbins
- Comments: Continued from the October hearing. Intervention conditionally withdrawn on entry of proposed order.
- Cause No. 139 & 440, Docket No. 0812-AW-35, Rulison & Parachute Fields, Garfield County

Applicant:	Laramie Energy II, LLC
Attorney:	William A. Keefe

Subject: Request for an order to allow the equivalent of one well per 10 acres, with the permitted well to be located no closer than 100 feet from the unit boundary for the SE<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> NW<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> of Section 22, Township 7 South, Range 95 West, 6th P.M., for production of gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Williams Fork and Iles Formations.

Cause No. 191, Docket No. 0812-SP-26, Mamm Creek Field, Garfield CountyApplicant:Antero Resources Piceance CorporationAttorney:William A. Keefe

Subject: Request for an order to vacate the approximate 186.3acre drilling and spacing unit and establish an approximate 154.36-acre and an approximate 36.845acre drilling and spacing unit, and allow one well per 10 acres, with the permitted well to be located no closer than 100 feet to the unit for certain lands in the N½ of Section 12, Township 6 South, Range 93 West, 6th P.M., for production of gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Williams Fork and Iles Formations.

- Protestants:James R. Carnahan and Colleen CarnahanAttorney:Nathan A. Keever
- Comments: Recommendation of dismissal of protest by Hearings Officers.

Cause No. 191, Docket No. 0812-UP-37, Mamm Creek Field, Garfield CountyApplicant:Antero Resources Piceance CorporationAttorney:William A. Keefe

- Subject: Request for an order to pool all nonconsenting interests in the approximate 154.36-acre drilling and spacing unit for certain lands in the N½ of Section 12, Township 6 South, Range 93 West, 6th P.M., for the development and operation of the Williams Fork and Iles Formations.
- Protestants:James R. Carnahan and Colleen CarnahanAttorney:Nathan A. Keever
- Comments: Recommendation of dismissal of protest by Hearings Officers.

### ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER BY CONSENT

Cause No. 1, Docket No. 0812-GA-04, Routt County Staff Recommendation

Subject: Request for approval of an Administrative Order by Consent to claim the bond of the Baierl #2 domestic gas well located in the NE¼ SE¼ of Section 25, Township 5 North, Range 88 West, 6th P.M.

Cause No. 1V, Docket No. 0812-OV-20, Routt County Staff Recommendation

Subject: Request for approval of an Administrative Order by Consent for failure by Stephens Energy Company LLC to comply with Rules 902.c., 902.d, 603.j, and 1003.b at the Breeze State #11-8 Well, located in the NE¼ SW¼ of Section 8, Township 6 North, Range 89 West, 6th P.M. Subject: Request for approval of an Administrative Order by Consent for failure by Pioneer Natural Resources USA, Inc. to comply with Rules 324A.a., 902.a., 902.g. and 907.a.(1), at the Muleherder #14-14 Well located in the SW1⁄4 SW1⁄4 of Section 14, Township 32 South, Range 68 West, 6th P.M.

# **CONTINUED AND WITHDRAWN MATTERS**

Cause No. 112, Docket No. 0812-AW-34, Ignacio-Blanco Field, La Plata County

- Applicants: Chevron Midcontinent, L.P. and Four Star Oil and Gas Company Attorney: William A. Keefe
- Subject: Request for an order to allow up to four optional wells in certain 320-acre drilling and spacing units, with the permitted well to be located no closer than 660 feet from the unit boundary and no closer than 130 feet to any interior quarter section line, for certain lands in Township 34 North, Ranges 8 and 9 West, N.M.P.M. and Township 34.5 North, Range 9 West, N.M.P.M., for production of gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Fruitland coal seams.
- Comments: Continued to the January hearing.

Cause No. 139, Docket No. 0812-SP-25, Rulison Field, Garfield CountyApplicant:Laramie Energy II, LLCAttorney:William A. Keefe

- Subject: Request for an order to vacate the 320-acre drilling and spacing unit consisting of the W½ of Section 21, Township 6 South, Range 93 West, 6th P.M., and establish an approximate 80-acre laydown drilling and spacing unit consisting of the N½ NW¼ of said Section 21, and allow one well per 10 acres, with the permitted well to be located no closer than 100 feet to the unit., for production of gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Williams Fork and Iles Formations.
- Protestant: Bureau of Land Management
- Comments: Continued to the January hearing

- Subject: Request for approval of an Administrative Order by Consent finding TOP Operating Company in continuing violation of Rule 906.d. for failing to perform timely remediation required by Remediation Work Plan #3743 at the Counter #2 Well located in the NE¼ NE¼ of Section 30, Township 2 North, Range 66 West, 6th P.M., the Counter #3 Well located in the SE¼ NE¼ of Section 30, Township 2 North, Range 66 West, 6th P.M., the Schneider #3 Well located in the NW¼ NW¼ of Section 30, Township 2 North, Range 66 West 6th P.M., the Schneider #3 Well located in the SW¼ NW¼ of Section 30, Township 2 North, Range 66 West 6th P.M., the Knox #1-23 Well located in the SW¼ NW¼ of Section 23, Township 2 North, Range 67 West, 6th P.M., and the Knox #22-23 Well located in the SE¼ NW¼ of Section 23, Township 2 North, Range 67 West, 6th P.M.
- Comments: Continued to the January hearing.

Cause No. 1, Docket No. 0809-GA-01, Adams County

Applicant:	Colorado Board of Parks and Outdoor Recreation
Attorney:	Timothy J. Monahan

- Subject: Request for an order to designate Barr Lake State Park as a Designated Outside Activity Area.
- Protestants: James Alexander, Alexander Energy Company, HRM Resources, Texas American Resources Company and Sovereign Energy LLC. Attorney: Stephen J. Sullivan
- Protestant: Noble Energy, Inc. Attorneys: Michael J. Wozniak/Andrew A. Bremner
- Protestant:Anadarko Petroleum CorporationAttorneys:John R. Jacus/Sam G. Niebrugge
- Comments: A prehearing conference was held on September 3, 2008. The matter has been continued to the January hearing to allow the parties to continue settlement discussions.

Cause No. 531, Docket No. 0809-UP-18, Jackson County

Applicant:	EOG Resources, Inc.
Attorneys:	Michael J. Wozniak/Susan Aldridge

Subject: Request for an order to pool all nonconsenting interests in the 629-acre drilling and spacing unit consisting of Section 30, Township 7 North, Range 80 West, 6th P.M., for the development and operation of the Niobrara Formation.

- Protestant:N.A.P.I. LLC and All States Trucking CorporationAttorneys:Jennie D. Behles/Michael P. Elliott
- Comments: Prehearing conferences were held September 19, 2008 and October 16, 2008. Motion for discovery filed October 20, 2008 by N.A.P.I. LLC and All States Trucking Corporation. Recommendation of dismissal of discovery motion by Hearings Officers. The matter has been continued to the January hearing.

Cause No. 510, Docket No. 0806-EX-04, Rulison Field, Garfield CountyApplicant:Noble Energy, Inc.Attorney:Michael J. Wozniak

- Subject: Request for an order allowing an exception to the permitted location for the Mancos Formation at a bottomhole location of 150 feet FSL and 440 feet FWL and the Iles Formation to be produced at a bottomhole location of 184 feet FSL and 440 feet FWL in the Cotner 35-14D Well located in the SW1/4 SW1/4 of Section 35, Township 7 South, Range 96 West, 6th P.M., for production of gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Mancos and Iles Formations.
- Protestant: EnCana Oil & Gas (USA) Attorneys: Stephen J. Sullivan/Blake Pickett
- Protestant: Bureau of Land Management Representative: Duane W. Spencer
- Comments: Application withdrawn; hearing cancelled.

Cause No. 407, Docket No. 0809-UP-20, Wattenberg Field, Weld CountyApplicant:Petroleum Development CorporationAttorneys:Scott Campbell/Nick Swartzendruber

- Subject: Request for an order to vacate 80-acre drilling and spacing units established in Order No. 407-87 and establish a 320-acre drilling and spacing unit consisting of the W<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> of Section 10, Township 5 North, Range 63 West, 6th P.M., and to pool all nonconsenting interests in the unit., for the development and operation of the Sussex, Shannon, Codell-Niobrara, "J" Sand, Dakota Formations.
- Comments: Application withdrawn; hearing cancelled.