



HEARING AGENDA

Devereux Room
The Hotel Colorado
526 Pine Street
Glenwood Springs, CO 81601

Tuesday, July 14, 2009 and Wednesday July 15, 2009

The times associated with each docketed item are subject to change. The Commission reserves the right to call any and all agenda items out of order.

Tuesday, July 14, 2009

- ⌚ 9:00 a.m. Roll Call of Commissioners

 Approval of Proceedings
- ⌚ 9:05 a.m. Report from the Executive Director's Office
- ⌚ 9:15 a.m. Report from the Director - Written report provided
- ⌚ 10:00 a.m. Report from the Assistant Attorney General
- ⌚ 10:15 a.m. Commissioner Comments
- ⌚ 10:30 a.m. Comments on Garfield County Oil and Gas Development – Tresi Houpt - Garfield County Commissioner
- ⌚ 10:35 a.m. Audience Comments
- ⌚ 11:05 a.m. Consent Agenda
 - 5 Hearing Officer recommendations under Rule 511
 - 1 Administrative Order by Consent
- ⌚ 12:00 p.m. Lunch Break
- ⌚ 1:00 p.m. Review of Report Prepared by Dr. Geoffrey Thyne on Hydrogeologic Study in Garfield County

COGCC

Industry – Bill Barrett Corp./ EnCana Oil & Gas/Williams Production

Public Comments

Garfield County

⌚ 3:00 p.m.

West Divide Creek Seep presentation

COGCC

Garfield County – Dr. Geoffrey Thyne

Industry – EnCana Oil & Gas

Public Comments

CONSENT AGENDA

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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 RECOMMENDATIONS

Cause No. 191, Docket No. 0903-UP-03, Mamm Creek Field, Garfield County

Applicant: Antero Resources Piceance Corporation

Attorney: William A. Keefe

Subject: Request for an order to pool all nonconsenting interests in the 80-acre drilling and spacing unit for the E½ NE¼ of Section 11, Township 6 South, Range 93 West, 6th P.M., for the development and operation of the Williams Fork, Iles and Mancos Formations.

Comments: Continued from the March hearing.

Cause No. 191, Docket No. 0907-UP-12, Mamm Creek Field, Garfield County

Applicant: Antero Resources Piceance Corporation

Attorney: William A. Keefe

Subject: Request for an order to pool all nonconsenting interests in the established approximate 223.578-acre drilling and spacing unit consisting of certain lands in the N½ of Section 18, Township 6 South, Range 92 West, 6th P.M., for the development and operation of the Mancos Formation.

Protestant: Grant Brothers Ranch, LLC

Attorney: Nathan A. Keever

Comments: Protest withdrawn following Prehearing Conference.

Cause No. 407, Docket No. 0907-UP-13, Wattenberg Field, Weld County

Applicant: Unioil

Attorneys: Kenneth A. Wonstolen

Subject: Request for an order to pool all nonconsenting interests in established 80-acre drilling and spacing units consisting of SE¼ of Section 21, Township 5 North, Range 67 West, 6th P.M., for the development and operation of the Codell and Niobrara Formations.

Cause No. 407, Docket No. 0907-UP-14, Wattenberg Field, Weld County

Applicant: Noble Energy, Inc
Attorneys: Susan L. Aldridge

Subject: Request for an order to establish a wellbore spacing unit consisting of the W½ NW¼ of Section 30, Township 5 North, Range 64 West, 6th P.M., and the E½ NE¼ of Section 25, Township 5 North, Range 65 West, 6th P.M., and to pool all nonconsenting interests in said unit, for the development and operation of the Codell and Niobrara Formations.

Cause No. 407, Docket No. 0907-UP-16, Wattenberg Field, Weld County

Applicant: Kerr-McGee Oil & Gas Onshore LP
Attorney: William A. Keefe

Subject: Request for an order to establish an approximate 156.31-acre wellbore spacing unit consisting of certain lands in Sections 3 and 4, Township 2 North, Range 68 West, 6th P.M., and Sections 33 and 34, Township 3 North, Range 68 West, 6th P.M., and to pool all nonconsenting interests in said unit, for the development and operation of the Codell and Niobrara Formations.

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER BY CONSENT

Cause No. 1V, Docket No. 0906-OV-08, Cheyenne County

Staff Recommendation

Subject: AOC - Failure by Samotlor Petroleum Investments, LLC to comply with Rule 319.b.(1), Rule 319.b.(4), and Rule 326.a.(4), for the Golden Hammer Lowe "H" #2 Well located in the SE¼ NW¼ of Section 18, Township 16 South, Range 44 West, 6th P.M.

Comments: Commission verbally indicated approval of the terms of the AOC as described by Enforcement Officer, Carol Harmon, at the June 11, 2009 hearing.

CONTINUED MATTERS

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 Corporation

Attorneys: John R. Jacus/Sam G. Niebrugge

Comments: A prehearing conference was held on September 3, 2008. The matter has been continued to the September hearing to allow the parties to continue settlement discussions.

Cause No. 407, Docket No. 0906-UP-05, Wattenberg Field, Weld County

Applicant: Noble Energy, Inc.

Attorney: Susan L. Aldridge

Subject: Request for an order to establish two approximate 160-acre wellbore spacing units for certain lands located in Section 30, Township 5 North, Range 64 West, 6th P.M., and Section 25, Township 5 North, Range 65 West, 6th P.M., for production of oil from the Codell and Niobrara Formations, and to pool all nonconsenting interests in said units, for the development and operation of the Codell and Niobrara Formations.

Protestant: Merit Energy Company

Attorney: Christopher G. Hayes

Comments: Continued to the August hearing.

Cause No. 407, Docket No. 0906-UP-06, Wattenberg Field, Weld County

Applicant: Noble Energy, Inc.

Attorney: Susan L. Aldridge

Subject: Request for an order to establish two approximate 160-acre wellbore spacing units for certain lands located in Section 14, Township 5 North, Range 67 West, 6th P.M., for production of oil from the Codell and Niobrara Formations, and to pool all nonconsenting interests in said units, for the development and operation of the Codell and Niobrara Formations.

Protestant: Merit Energy Company
Attorney: Christopher G. Hayes

Comments: Continued to the August hearing.

Cause No.232 & 407, Docket No. 0907-UP-15, Wattenberg Field, Weld County

Applicant: INB Land & Cattle, LLC.

Representative: Robert L. McPeck

Subject: Request for an order to establish two 160-acre drilling and spacing units consisting of the SW¼ of Section 10 and the NW¼ of Section 30, Township 2 North, Range 66 West, 6th P.M., and to pool all nonconsenting interests in said units, for the development and operation of the Codell, Niobrara and "J" Sand Formations.

Protestant: Anadarko Petroleum Corporation
Attorneys: Michael J. Gallagher/Gregory R. Danielson/Erin McAlpin Eiselein

Comments: A prehearing conference was held on June 30, 2009. The matter has been continued until the November 30, 2009 hearing.

Wednesday July 15, 2009

Informational Session on Project Rulison

- ⌚ **9:00 a.m.** COGCC/CDPHE Staff - 60 minutes
- ⌚ **10:00 a.m.** Department of Energy Representatives – 60 minutes
- ⌚ **11:00 a.m.** Garfield County – 15 minutes
- ⌚ **11:15 a.m.** Public Interest Groups – 60 minutes
- ⌚ **12:15 p.m.** Lunch Break

Informational Session on Project Rulison continued

- ⌚ **1:15 p.m.** Public Comments – 60 minutes
- ⌚ **2:15 p.m.** Oil and Gas Industry Presentation - 60 minutes
Noble Energy/Williams Production/EnCana Oil & Gas/Laramie Energy
- ⌚ **3:15 p.m.** Commission Comments – 60 minutes