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December 12 and 13, 2007

The Oil and Gas Conservation Commission met on December 12, 2007 at 9:00 a.m. in Suite 801, The Chancery Building, 1120 Lincoln Street, Denver Colorado, for a hearing in Cause Nos. 113, 166, 334, 407, 429, and 440, and on December 13 at 8:37 a.m. at the Renaissance Hotel, 3801 Quebec Street, Denver Colorado.

Those present were:

Harris Sherman	Chair
Joshua Epel	Vice Chair
Rich Alward	Commissioner
Tom Compton	Commissioner
Mark Cutright	Commissioner
Michael Dowling	Commissioner
Kim Gerhardt	Commissioner
Trési Houpt	Commissioner
Jim Martin	Commissioner
Kelly Rees	Assistant Attorney General
David Neslin	Acting Director
Tricia Beaver	Hearings Manager

Executive Director's Report: This report was combined with the Director's Report.

Director's Report: Acting Director Neslin stated that approximately 5,900 APDs have been processed as of December 3, 2007. He stated that it is estimated that 6,400 APDs will be approved for 2007, which represents an 8% increase over last year.

Northwest Colorado: The Northwest Colorado Oil and Gas Forum met on December 6, 2007, at the Garfield County Fairgrounds in Rifle, CO. Topics included updates from the state (including an update on the rulemaking process and initial pre-draft proposal), federal, county, and industry, along with a presentation from Williams Production on reducing impact on the community.

The next Northwest Colorado Oil and Gas Forum is scheduled for March 6, 2008, from 10:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. at the Garfield County Fairgrounds in Rifle.

The Garfield County Phase II Hydrogeologic Characterization Project is being conducted for Garfield County by S. S. Papadopoulos & Associates. Coordination is currently underway with oil and gas operators who own the gas wells that will be sampled for produced water and production gas during Task 2 sampling. It is anticipated that this sampling will be conducted with the assistance of area operators during the month of December.

In accordance with the COGCC requirement for periodic reporting (quarterly) on the ongoing remediation of shallow ground water contamination at the West Divide Creek Seep, EnCana recently submitted a remediation up-date (September 6, 2007), which summarizes actions and results through June 2007. The low-flow air sparge system designed to remediate the shallow ground water contamination from benzene, ethylbenzene, and total xylenes (BEX), continues to decrease the concentrations and the aerial extent of these compounds and the thermogenic methane at the seep. BEX compounds have not been detected in any West Divide Creek surface water samples.

Southwest Colorado: On behalf of the COGCC, LT Environmental (LTE) installed frost-proof hydrants on the nearby water wells in the Bryce I-X Well area. Ground water samples will be collected this month and analyzed to evaluate potential changes in methane concentrations in the ground water. Additional soil gas surveys will be conducted throughout the year to verify the lack of methane in the shallow soils.

Debbie Baldwin, Karen Spray, and Steve Lindblom continue to work with La Plata County Energy Council,

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La Plata and Archuleta County, and USFS/US BLM personnel to develop work plans for the gas seep monitoring and mitigation projects in La Plata and Archuleta Counties. Funding for these projects comes from the COGCC mill levy on production. Preliminary work to identify locations for monitoring wells is being conducted in both La Plata and Archuleta Counties. Mapping of the Fruitland–Pictured Cliffs contact has been conducted at several locations along the outcrop in Archuleta County and several proposed well locations were inspected by COGCC and USFS staff in September. Surface access agreements with federal agencies and private property owners are in the process of being negotiated and memorialized. The meeting with the Technical Working Group (TWG) was held on December 4, 2007. COGCC and USFS staffs prepared a draft mission statement for review by the Technical Working Group. In addition, COGCC staff is preparing Scopes of Work that will be reviewed by the Technical Working Group and then used in the COGCC Request(s) for Proposals (RFPs) to procure the services of third-party contractors.

A GORT meeting was held on December 5, 2007, in the Lightner Room at the La Plata County Fairgrounds. More than 40 people attended the meeting, including COGCC Commissioners Kim Gerhardt and Tom Compton, La Plata County Commissioners Wally White and Kellie Hotter, and Archuleta County Commissioners Robin Schiro and Bob Moomaw. Representatives from industry, the San Juan Citizens Alliance, the Oil and Gas Accountability Project, Southern Ute Indian Tribe, USFS, US BLM, and other interested citizens also attended. Topics presented at the meeting included a summary of oil and gas activity in Colorado; the continued progress on remediation and the results of the ongoing monitoring for methane at the Bryce 1-X orphaned well site; and an update on the Fruitland Formation Outcrop Mitigation and Monitoring projects in La Plata and Archuleta Counties. A brief summary of the Initial Pre-Draft Rulemaking Proposal was made. The USFS and US BLM also proposed a plan to expand the mission of GORT and develop it into a southwest Colorado oil and gas stakeholders working group with a broader focus, while maintaining GORT participants as the members of the “core group” and USFS and BLM personnel will be taking the lead in developing, organizing, and encouraging additional members of public to participate. The next GORT/Southwest Colorado Oil and Gas Stakeholders meeting will be on March 13, 2008, from 8:30 a.m. to noon in the La Plata Room at the La Plata County Fairgrounds.

Northeast Colorado: The Fort Morgan Gas Storage Field (Field) is located approximately 5 miles south of Fort Morgan, Colorado, in Morgan County and is operated by Colorado Interstate Gas (CIG), an El Paso Corporation. Remediation activities associated with the October 22, 2006, release of gas from this facility continue. A supplemental remediation work plan was received by the COGCC on October 15, 2007. COGCC staff has reviewed the plan and a conditional approval of it is pending. The supplemental remediation work plan included a shallow seismic program, which has been completed. Preliminary laboratory results from the November 2007 sampling event indicated a benzene concentration of 5.0 µg/l in a ground water sample collected from CPT #11S. No other BTEX constituents were detected.

Limited subsurface investigations were performed by the COGCC at orphaned O-Sand/heavy oil sites in Logan County in May 2007. The purpose of the investigations was to evaluate the extent of hydrocarbon-impacted soil associated with the historic use of earthen production pits at these sites. COGCC staff is reviewing the costs for, the acceptability of, and the effectiveness of the different remediation techniques, and will prioritize our efforts at the 10 different locations.

Southeast Colorado: LT Environmental, Inc. (LTE) submitted letters and maps of the soil gas surveys to the surface owners and tenants for lands where methane gas seeps were identified and mapped during Task 2 of Phase II Raton Basin Methane Seep Mapping Project. The final report will be completed by December 31, 2007.

Norwest Applied Hydrology, on behalf of Petroglyph, has taken over the responsibility for screening water wells in a 14 square-mile area centered on the area where water wells have been impacted by thermogenic methane. At the request of the landowner, the impacted water well located in Section 15 Township 29 South, Range 67 West is being screened and monitored by the COGCC and its contractor Whetstone Environmental. On November 14, 2007, COGCC issued a second Cease and Desist Order (1C-5) to Petroglyph requiring its wells to remain shut-in until such time as Petroglyph applied for and receives a public hearing before the Commission and demonstrates to the Commission’s satisfaction that

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it can return its wells to production in a manner that protects public health, safety and the environment. A prehearing conference was held on December 3, 2007, with COGCC staff, Petroglyph and Petroglyph contractors and this matter is scheduled to be heard at today's hearing.

A preliminary docket for the January 2008 hearing has been provided.

The Department of Natural Resources submitted its Fiscal Year 2008-09 budget request to the General Assembly on November 1, 2007. Included in the request is a decision item for 9 additional full-time employees (FTE) for the COGCC. Four of those FTE would be classified as Environmental Protection Specialists I's, stationed in the field to conduct environmental inspections; 4 would be Environmental Protection Specialists II's, focused on the environmental review of drilling permits; and 1 would be an environmental technician to assist with the data management and enforcement activities of a growing environmental staff. The total cost of this request, which includes 5 new vehicles, is \$778,768 cash funds from the Oil and Gas Conservation and Environmental Response Fund.

On November 27, 2007, meetings were held with various stakeholder groups where an initial pre-draft rulemaking proposal was presented and described. A total of approximately 350 stakeholders attended the three separate meetings.

The Kerr-McGee/Parkland Estates matter has been continued to January 2008, as parties continue to negotiate.

The application for Permit-to-Drill (APD) a well in the Baca National Wildlife Refuge (BNWR) by Lexam Explorations was discussed. This is an APD to relocate a well previously approved. A draft Environmental Assessment (EA) is expected to be released soon. Judge Miller has issued an order not to allow any surface disturbance until the EA process is complete.

A variance was granted to Riviera Drilling and Exploration in accordance with Rule 502.b. on November 13, 2007. The variance is for the approval of the permit to deepen the Federal 11-90-3 Well in the SW¼ SW¼ of Section 3, Township 11 South, Range 90 West in Gunnison County. This well was originally drilled and temporarily abandoned without being perforated in 1977. Because the well is located less than 600 feet from the nearest lease lines, it is an exception to Rule 318.a. On July 19, 2007, Riviera sent notices to all mineral interest owners within 600 feet of the well requesting waivers of Rule 318.a. The results of these notices are signed waivers from two owners and no response from the remaining owners with no protests received.

There was no report from the Assistant Attorney General.

Acting Director David Neslin provided background on the Project Rulison matter from the 1969 blast through Presco's hearing application, including the 3 mile notification area that was established. He described how wells have been permitted with conditions of approval. Currently there are 13 producing wells within the 3 mile area, 19 APDs pending, and 40 APDs approved but not drilled. Former Director Macke worked with the 3 operators who have leases within the 3 mile notification area to ask for a plan to address concerns. Acting Director Neslin described COGCC and CDPHE staff who have participated in the review of the operator proposed plan, the components of the plan and those additional experts who have reviewed the plan. Companies have committed to not filing APDs until at least 2009 within a ½ mile of ground zero. COGCC staff, its contractors and CDPHE staff have indicated that if the issues they have with the plan are adequately addressed and if these conditions are applied to APDs, the plan would protect health and the environment. Garfield County defers to COGCC staff, and the DOE already has a "no drill" zone on the 40 acres where the blast site is located. Acting Director Neslin plans to approve APDs once the plan is final and believes the drilling of wells under this plan will provide additional helpful information.

Michael Wozniak, attorney for Noble described URS's background and experience in developing the plan and operators agreeing to voluntarily applying the plan to previously drilled wells and to existing APDs not

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drilled, in addition to pending and future APDs. The plan is indefinite with no end time proposed. In December 2009, there will be a formal review of how the plan is working.

Luke Danielson, attorney for Weldon, Kent and Warren families indicated that he could not open a 40 page document he received via email last night, and thus has not had a chance to review the plan. The work for gaining citizen acceptance has just begun and he suggested an advisory committee to review these issues. He will be present at any meeting, and will work in a constructive manner but wants this matter to come back to the Commission in January and not be decided on today.

Daniel Savage, royalty owner, applauds the COGCC and staff for the work that has been done and agrees with Acting Director Neslin on his decision to approve the pending APDs in accordance with the plan.

Kristi Hayward Koneke, land and royalty owner, stated that the blast happened on her family's property and that it has been 38 years with no problems. She would like to move on and encourages no more delays or roadblocks. She respects all of the time that so many people have devoted to this issue.

Commissioner Houpt believes there should be more opportunity for folks living in the area to review plans and applauds all the time folks have spent on this. She asked if there is a process in place for how many wells will need to be monitored and stated that the process is critical.

Commissioner Alward stated that developing the environmental monitoring program is an area he is concerned about.

Commissioner Compton asked about the number of wells being sampled for numerous years by EPA.

Steve Tarleton with CDPHE spoke on sampling of water and any possibility of radionuclides migrating.

Commissioner Cutright asked about the number of wells that will be drilled once APDs are approved, in addition to making several technical comments.

Commissioner Dowling asked Mr. Danielson if he could envision a world where there could be an effective plan that his clients could accept.

Vice Chair Epel asked Mr. Danielson how much time he needs to provide input and if his experts have additional standards that might be needed beyond what has been identified by all of the experts who have reviewed the plan.

Chair Sherman would like to see the process go forward with the meetings as described and only have the plan brought back to the Commission if the COGCC and CDPHE think it is necessary.

A motion was made by Chair Sherman to proceed with the discussion, with the plan to be brought back to the Commission if necessary. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Martin who would also like to have the plan sent to the CDPHE Radiation Group for review, upon which discussion was opened.

Commissioner Houpt thinks the plan will have a greater success if there is consensus.

Commissioner Dowling proposed an amendment that regardless of how the process goes that at the January 2008 hearing, Mr. Danielson can present any objections he may have in a 30 minute time period and the COGCC or CDPHE staff would have the same period of time to make a presentation if desired.

The motion passed unanimously after the amendment was accepted by Chair Sherman and Commissioner Martin.

Commissioner Comments: Commissioner Cutright complimented Acting Director Neslin on his presentation on Project Rulison. Commissioner Compton and all the other Commissioners agreed.

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Audience Comments: There were none.

Consent Agenda: After questions were responded to in Cause No. 407, Docket No. 0708-UP-24, a motion was made by Commissioner Compton to approve the consent agenda, seconded by Commissioner Gerhardt. Commissioner Cutright disclosed that his company has offsetting acreage in relation to Cause No. 334, Docket No. 0712-AW-26. The motion to approve the consent agenda was approved unanimously for the adjudicatory items as follows:

Cause No. 407, Docket No. 0708-UP-24, request for an order to establish a 160-acre drilling and spacing unit in the NE¼ of Section 26, Township 6 North, Range 67 West, 6th P.M., and to pool all nonconsenting interests in said unit for the drilling of the Great Western 26-51 Well, and to pool all nonconsenting interests in the 80-acre drilling and spacing unit consisting of the W½ NE¼ of said Section 26, for the drilling of the Great Western 26-31 and Great Western 26-32 Wells for the development and operation of the Codell and Niobrara Formations.

Cause No. 166, Docket No. 0711-AW-23, request for an order to allow the equivalent of one (1) well per 10 acres, with the permitted well to be located no closer than 100 feet from the lease line for certain lands in Sections 3, 10, 11, 14, and 15 of Township 10 South, Range 94 West, 6th P.M., for the production of gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Mesaverde Formation, including the Williams Fork, Rollins, Cozzette and Corcoran Formations.

Cause No. 429, Docket No. 0711-AW-25, request for an order to allow the equivalent of one (1) well per 10 acres, with the permitted well to be located no closer than 100 feet from the lease line for certain lands in Township 9 South, Range 93 West, 6th P.M., for the production of gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Mesaverde Formation, including the Williams Fork, Rollins, Cozzette and Corcoran Formations.

Cause No. 113, Docket No. 0711-AW-24, request for an order to allow up to two wells in the 320-acre drilling and spacing units in Section 25 and in the N½ of Section 35, Township 8 North, Range 91 West, 6th P.M., with the permitted well to be located no closer than 660 feet from the outside boundary, for the production of gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Lewis Formation.

Cause No. 334, Docket No. 0711-AW-26, request for an order to allow up to four wells in the 320-acre drilling and spacing unit consisting of the S½ of Section 33, Township 10 North, Range 93 West, 6th P.M., with the permitted well to be located no closer than 600 feet from the outside boundary, for the production of gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Middle Lewis Formation.

Cause No. 440, Docket No. 0711-SP-34, amended request for an order to vacate a 320-acre drilling and spacing unit and establish a 160-acre drilling and spacing unit consisting of the SE¼, an 80-acre drilling and spacing unit consisting of the S½ SW¼, and a 40-acre drilling and spacing unit consisting of the NE¼ SW¼ of Section 25, Township 6 South, Range 95 West, 6th P.M., and allow the equivalent of one (1) well per 10 acres, with the permitted well to be located no closer than 100 feet from the outside boundary, for the production of gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Williams Fork Formation.

The following matter has been continued as indicated:

Cause No. 1, Docket No. 0705-AW-11, request for an order to vacate Order No. 1-41, which established a high density area for the N½ of Section 8, Township 1 North, Range 68 West, 6th P.M. and place the lands under the provisions of the Rules & Regulations of the Commission and applicable orders in Cause Nos. 232, 407, 493, 496 and 499, for the production of gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Cretaceous Age Formations. In the alternative, the applicant is seeking an exception to the location requirements set out in Order No. 1-41, as provided in Rule 603.e.(6), or as requested in the amended application, a variance under Rule 502.b. to the permitted location set out in Order No. 1-41, was continued to the January 2008.

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A motion was made by Commissioner Martin to approve the November minutes, seconded by Commissioner Dowling, and the minutes were approved unanimously.

A hearing was held in Cause No.1, Docket No. 0711-GA-02, Petroglyph's request for a hearing in response to Cease and Desist Order No. 1C-5.

Dave Dillon, COGCC Engineering Manager provided a PowerPoint presentation from which he spoke and described coal production, including gas from the coal seams, and potential for migration paths. Peter Gintautas, COGCC Environmental Protection Specialist, presented a chronology of events to describe the discovery of methane in a water well and stated that no conduit has been identified at this point. Margaret Ash, COGCC Environmental Supervisor, presented a PowerPoint presentation and described the Raton Basin Baseline Study Phase I and Phase II.

Bill Glynn, President and Director of Petroglyph described his background and provided information on the company. Konrad Quast, Hydrogeologist with Norwest Corporation consulting for Petroglyph provided background information on the work Petroglyph has performed and briefly described the three phases of the plan. Ann Baldrige, Norwest Corporation consulting for Petroglyph described the status of permitting for 13 wells in with the State Engineer's office. John Campenella, Senior Reservoir Engineer with Norwest Corporation consulting for Petroglyph presented Petroglyph's plan.

Statements were made in accordance with Rule 510. as follows:

Todd Barrett asked if the presentations would be available on the COGCC website.

Ben and Melanie Bounds stated that it was their well house that blew up and they described the effect this has had on their lives. Commissioner Houpt asked what they would like to see as an outcome.

Richard Goodwin, resident and Homeowner Association President of River Ridge Ranch read from a statement representing 150 lots in the subdivision. He described his concerns about Petroglyph's plan, including numerous items not addressed by the plan. He stated that a schedule is needed with involvement of and communication with lot owners. Mr. Goodin suggested that a hearing be held in Huerfano County. Petroglyph has supplied 2 homes with drinking water, and he is not sure how many residents have been provided methane detectors. Chair Sherman and Commissioner Alward asked that the statement he read from be provided to the Commission.

Brent Corsintino, a fourth generation dairy farmer believes there are problems with the water in the area and its quality.

COGCC Enforcement Officer Carol Harmon, presented a consensus recommended order to the Commission. The COGCC staff believe that this proposed order will be protective of public health, safety and welfare.

Commissioner Alward asked if Phase I will help rather than hurt the situation and asked about the timeline. Commissioner Martin made a motion to have this matter continued until the next afternoon on December 13. Commissioner Compton is ready to approve the order as he has had his confidence level raised after hearing the specifics of the order. Commissioner Alward could become comfortable with the order. Vice Chair Epel would like to hear what types of protections are in homes. Commissioner Houpt is not convinced that the county fire department has the resources to address emergency situations.

Ken Wonstolen, attorney for Petroglyph, stated that the existing monitoring and data gathering, along with the drilling of a monitoring well, will continue. He asked the Commission to direct the COGCC staff to assist with obtaining permit approvals. Petroglyph will continue to address the Apogee Seep and will agree to continue to January. At that time, Petroglyph will want to see a systematic plan approved so that they can proceed with the plan. Mr. Wonstolen commits personally to meet with the State Engineer on this matter. Petroglyph does not have access to the Bounds property and may have other limitations if a lawsuit is filed in this matter.

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Chair Sherman encouraged the homeowners to discuss their concerns with the COGCC staff and with Petroglyph.

The hearing adjourned at 6:03 p.m. and resumed at 8:37 a.m. December 13, 2007, at the Renaissance Hotel, Denver Colorado as a joint meeting with the Colorado Wildlife Commission where a status report was presented to both Commissions regarding the rulemaking process to implement HB07-1298 and HB07-1341.

John Bredehoft, DOW Assistant Director, described the process of working with the COGCC staff to implement HB07-1298 and provided handouts of the Wildlife Commission Resolution and Wildlife Commission Policy related to oil and gas development.

Acting Director Dave Neslin provided detailed background on the process and described the 3 components of the initial pre-draft rulemaking proposal that would apply to federal lands as well as private lands. He described the proposed Form 34 and the process related to this new form. Acting Director Neslin described the type of situations that would require consultation, such as exemptions, high density, and wildlife areas of concern. He described the Comprehensive Development Plan which was contemplated by HB07-1298, a voluntary program for which COGCC and DOW would like to have a pilot program(s). Delta, EnCana and Williams have asked to participate in such a program. Acting Director Neslin mentioned the concept of Geographic Area Plans which would be initiated by the COGCC for a period of time to cover an approximately 10 year period. He discussed the second component of the proposal, the collection of data and initiation of Health and Air Quality Studies through Memoranda of Understanding. The third and final component of the proposal is additional regulatory changes which have been identified by COGCC staff. The proposal and all comments on the proposal from the stakeholder work groups will be posted. Acting Director Neslin is committed to holding public meetings in oil and gas producing portions of the state in January 2008. He described the website opportunity to participate by filing comments electronically and reviewing all documents and comments.

Commissioner Houpt asked how mandatory versus voluntary wildlife measures will be determined. Commissioner Martin commented on the effort to not provide the actual draft rules so that consensus might be more possible. Commissioner Cutright asked how the DOW measures affects to wildlife from oil and gas operators. Commissioner Alward asked about how expert information can be brought to the Commission. Vice Chair Epel stated his concern about the timing to accomplish adoption of these numerous rule proposals. Commissioner Compton asked whether there are opportunities through these processes to enhance wildlife.

Public Comments:

Suzanne O'Neil, Executive Director of Colorado Wildlife Federation, stated the she was encouraged by the process and has already begun working with Williams on a pilot development plan.

Paul Navar, Colorado Bow Hunters Association stated he was encouraged by both Commissions getting together on oil and gas issues, and that he does not want to see hunter participation decreased by oil and gas activity.

Jep Seeman, legal council for the Colorado Petroleum Association (CPA), stated the need for predictability and certainty for the oil and gas industry to conduct business. He expressed the following concerns: 1) the extent which the proposed rules may allow delays, 2) the extent which the Form 34 process is redundant or duplicative with the federal lands processes, 3) standing being expanded to adjacent landowners, 4) staffing and budget requirements, and 5) the importance of a scientific basis for the rules. CPA is looking forward to working with the agencies.

Ken Wonstolen, attorney representing the Colorado Oil and Gas Association, worked hard with the wildlife community on HB07-1298. He agrees with Mr. Seeman and Vice Chair Epel that the industry is not convinced that the Form 34 process is best way to go and his members will bring several other ideas forward.

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Tom Burke would like both Commissions to meet before the draft rules are finalized and published.

The joint meeting adjourned at 11:22 a.m. at which time the Oil and Gas Conservation Commission reconvened separately to discuss questions and concerns Commissioners have regarding the Petroglyph matter that was presented at the previous days’ hearing.

Chair Sherman asked that questions and concerns be emailed to Hearings Manager Beaver by December 17, 2007. Ms. Beaver will compile them right away and send them back to the Commissioners and then out to COGCC staff and Petroglyph for responses. Chair Sherman asked AAG Rees for her opinion on Paragraph 12 of the proposed order and stated his desire to involve the staff from the State Engineer’s Office. He also suggested asking those opposed to Petroglyph’s activities for their comments, and to make our Commissioners’ questions and concerns available to those opponents, and ask for their comments by December 21, 2007.

Commissioner Compton asked if the Commission could hear from the State Engineer’s Office about water issues and other concerns under the State Engineer’s Office jurisdiction at future hearings.

Chair Sherman would like a briefing on the Vance case from the Attorney General’s Office.

Vice Chair Epel would like Hearings Manager Beaver to let Petroglyph’s attorney and the interested citizens know about today’s discussion on the process to handle Commissioners’ questions and concerns on the Petroglyph matter.

In response to Hearings Manager Beaver’s question on where the Commission would like to hold out of town hearings, Chair Sherman stated he would like to hold hearings in Denver during the legislative session rather than traveling out of town.

Commissioner Houpt is concerned about how counties are going to participate in the stakeholder process.

Adjourned at 12:03 p.m.

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The Secretary was therefore authorized to issue the following orders:

Order No. 407-308, Wattenberg Field, Weld County: Approves the request for an order to establish a 160-acre drilling and spacing unit in the NE¼ of Section 26, Township 6 North, Range 67 West, 6th P.M., and to pool all nonconsenting interests in said unit for the drilling of the Great Western 26-51 Well, and to pool all nonconsenting interests in the 80-acre drilling and spacing unit consisting of the W½ NE¼ of said Section 26, for the drilling of the Great Western 26-31 and Great Western 26-32 Wells for the development and operation of the Codell and Niobrara Formations.

Order No. 166-25, East Plateau Field, Mesa County: Approves the request for an order to allow the equivalent of one (1) well per 10 acres, with the permitted well to be located no closer than 100 feet from the lease line for certain lands in Sections 3, 10, 11, 14, and 15 of Township 10 South, Range 94 West, 6th P.M., for the production of gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Mesaverde Formation, including the Williams Fork, Rollins, Cozzette and Corcoran Formations.

Order No. 429-6, Brush Creek Field, Mesa County: Approves the request for an order to allow the equivalent of one (1) well per 10 acres, with the permitted well to be located no closer than 100 feet from the lease line for certain lands in Township 9 South, Range 93 West, 6th P.M., for the production of gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Mesaverde Formation, including the Williams Fork, Rollins, Cozzette and Corcoran Formations.

Order No. 113-8, Craig-North Field, Moffat County: Approves the request for an order to allow up to two wells in the 320-acre drilling and spacing units in Section 25 and in the N½ of Section 35, Township 8 North, Range 91 West, 6th P.M., with the permitted well to be located no closer than 660 feet

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from the outside boundary, for the production of gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Lewis Formation.

Order No. 334-5, Great Divide Field, Moffat County: Approves the request for an order to allow up to four wells in the 320-acre drilling and spacing unit consisting of the S½ of Section 33, Township 10 North, Range 93 West, 6th P.M., with the permitted well to be located no closer than 600 feet from the outside boundary, for the production of gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Middle Lewis Formation.

Order No. 440-51, Parachute Field, Moffat County: Approves the request to amended request for an order to vacate a 320-acre drilling and spacing unit and establish a 160-acre drilling and spacing unit consisting of the SE¼, an 80-acre drilling and spacing unit consisting of the S½ SW¼, and a 40-acre drilling and spacing unit consisting of the NE¼ SW¼ of Section 25, Township 6 South, Range 95 West, 6th P.M., and allow the equivalent of one (1) well per 10 acres, with the permitted well to be located no closer than 100 feet from the outside boundary, for the production of gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Williams Fork Formation.

Approved:

Patricia C. Beaver, Secretary

Harris Sherman, Chair