

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

IN THE MATTER OF THE PROMULGATION AND)	CAUSE NOS. 232, 407 & 499
ESTABLISHMENT OF FIELD RULES TO GOVERN)	
OPERATIONS IN THE WATTENBERG FIELD,)	DOCKET NO. 0502-SP-03
WELD COUNTY, COLORADO)	

NOTICE OF HEARING

TO ALL INTERESTED PARTIES AND TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

In Cause No. 232, the Commission established 320-acre drilling and spacing units for the production of gas from the “J” Sand Formation in the Wattenberg Field with one well allowed for each unit to be located in the NE¼ and the SW¼ and no closer than 990 feet to the boundaries of the quarter section. Subsequent orders allowed an additional well to be located on the 320-acre drilling and spacing unit, including Section 31, Township 5 North, Range 63 West, 6th P.M.

On July 30, 1985 the Commission issued Order No. 407-13, which extended the 80-acre drilling and spacing units established for the production of oil and/or gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Codell and Niobrara Formations to include, among other lands, Section 31, Township 5 North, Range 63 West, 6th P.M.

On December 4, 1992, the Commission issued Order No. 499-15 which, among other things, established 320-acre drilling and spacing units for the production of oil, gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Dakota Formation, including Section 31, Township 5 North, Range 63 West, 6th P.M.

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. Section 31, Township 5 North, Range 63 West, 6th P.M. was included in this Rule.

On December 27, 2004 Bonanza Creek Operating Company, by its attorney, filed with the Commission a verified application for an order to segregate the 320-acre drilling and spacing unit consisting of the S½ of Section 31, Township 5 North, Range 63 West, 6th P.M. into four 80-acre drilling and spacing units consisting of the N½ SW¼, S½ SW¼, E½ SE¼ and W½ SE¼ of said Section 31, for the production of oil and gas from the Dakota and “J” Sand Formations for any well drilled in the 400’ by 400’ drilling window as authorized by Rule 318A., and to segregate the S½ of Section 31 into two 160-acre drilling and spacing units consisting of the SW¼ and SE¼ of Section 31 for any well drilled in the center of each such quarter section, as authorized by Rule 318A., for the production of oil and gas from the Dakota, “J” Sand, Codell and Niobrara Formations.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the Oil and Gas Conservation Commission of the State of Colorado, pursuant to the above, has scheduled the above-entitled matter for hearing on:

Date:	Monday, February 14, 2005 Tuesday, February 15, 2005
Time:	9:00 a.m.
Place:	Suite 801, The Chancery Building 1120 Lincoln Street Denver, CO 80203

In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, if any party requires special accommodations as a result of a disability for this hearing, please contact Angie Gipson at (303) 894-2100 ext. 113, prior to the hearing and arrangements will be made.

Pursuant to said hearing in the above-entitled matter at the time and place aforesaid, or at any adjourned meeting, the Commission will enter such orders as it deems appropriate to protect the health, safety and welfare of the public and to prevent the waste of oil and gas, either or both, in the operations of said field, and to carry out the purposes of the statute.

In accordance with Rule 509., any interested party desiring to protest the granting of the application or to intervene on the application should file with the Commission a written protest or intervention no later than January 31, 2005, briefly stating the basis of the protest or intervention. Such interested party shall, at the same time, serve a copy of the protest or intervention to the person filing the application. An original and nine (9) copies shall be filed with the Commission (Rule 503.f.). **Anyone who files a protest or intervention must be available to participate in a prehearing conference during the week of January 31, 2005.** Pursuant to Rule 503.e., if a party who has received notice under Rule 503.b. wishes to receive further pleadings in the above-referenced matter, that party must file a protest or intervention in accordance with these rules. In accordance with the practices of the Commission, should no protests or interventions be filed in this matter by January 31, 2005, **the Applicant may request that an administrative hearing be scheduled for the week of January 31, 2005.**

IN THE NAME OF THE STATE OF COLORADO

OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF COLORADO

By _____
Patricia C. Beaver, Secretary

Dated at Suite 801
1120 Lincoln Street
Denver, Colorado 80203
January 14, 2005

Attorney for Applicant:
J. Michael Morgan
Lohf Shaiman Jacobs Hyman & Feiger, P.C.
950 South Cherry St., Suite 900
Denver, CO 80246
(303) 753-9000