

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

IN THE MATTER OF THE PROMULGATION AND)	CAUSE NO. 7
ESTABLISHMENT OF FIELD RULES TO GOVERN)	
OPERATIONS IN THE WEST PADRONI FIELD,)	DOCKET NO. 0507-SP-10
LOGAN COUNTY, COLORADO)	

NOTICE OF HEARING

TO ALL INTERESTED PARTIES AND TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

On April 15, 1952, the Commission issued Order No. 7-1 which, among other things, established 20-acre drilling and spacing units for the production of oil and gas from the Muddy Sand, sometimes referred to as the “J” Sand Formation, for certain lands in Townships 9 and 10 North, Range 52 and 53 West, 6th P.M in the Padroni-West Field. On September 20, 1960, the Commission vacated Order No. 7-1 and placed the lands under the provision of the Rules and Regulations of the Commission.

Rule 318.a. of the Rules and Regulations of the Commission requires that wells drilled in excess of two thousand five hundred (2,500) feet in depth be located not less than six hundred (600) feet from any lease line, and located not less than one thousand two hundred (1,200) feet from any other producible or drilling oil or gas well when drilling to the same common source of supply, unless authorized by order of the Commission upon hearing. The below-listed lands are subject to this Rule:

Township 9 North, Range 52 West, 6th P.M.
Section 6: All
Section 7: N½ N½, S½ NE¼

Township 9 North, Range 53 West, 6th P.M.
Section 1: E½ E½

Township 10 North, Range 52 West, 6th P.M.
Section 31: W½, SE¼

On May 26, 2005, Meritage Energy Partners, LLC, by its attorney, filed with the Commission a verified application for an order to establish 20-acre drilling and spacing units for the above-listed lands, with the permitted well to be located in the NW¼ and SE¼ of each quarter quarter section no closer than 200 feet from the boundary of the quarter quarter section where the well is located for production of oil, gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Dakota O-Sand Formation.

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, July 11, 2005
Time:	10:00 a.m.
Place:	Garfield County Fairgrounds New Indoor Arena Meeting Facility 1001 Railroad Avenue Rifle, CO 81650

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 Matt Walker at (303) 894-2100 ext. 139, 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 June 27, 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 June 27, 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 June 27, 2005, **the Applicant may request that an administrative hearing be scheduled for the week of June 27, 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
June 10, 2005

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