

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

IN THE MATTER OF THE PROMULGATION AND) CAUSE NO. 440
ESTABLISHMENT OF FIELD RULES TO GOVERN)
OPERATIONS IN THE GRAND VALLEY FIELD,) DOCKET NO. 0606-EX-06
GARFIELD COUNTY, COLORADO)

NOTICE OF HEARING

TO ALL INTERESTED PARTIES AND TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

On March 9, 1990, the Commission issued Order No. 479-1 which, among other things, established 320-acre drilling and spacing units for the production of gas from the Mesaverde Formation including the N½ and S½ of Section 1, Township 7 South, Range 96 West, 6th P. M.

On April 30, 2003, the Commission issued Order No. 440-23, which among other things, approved the S½ N½ and the N½ S½ of Section 1, Township 7 South, Range 96 West, 6th P.M. for the drilling of Williams Fork Formation wells on a ten (10) acre density basis with each permitted well to be located no closer downhole than 100 feet to the drilling and spacing unit boundary unless the exterior lands of the unit boundary have not also been granted ten (10) acre density drilling for the Williams Fork Formation, in which event the well may be located no closer downhole than 200 feet to the drilling and spacing unit boundary.

On February 26, 2000, Barrett Resources Corporation (now Williams Production RMT Company, “Williams”) commenced the drilling of the GM-243-1 Well from a surface location in the SW¼ NW¼ of Section 1, Township 7 South, Range 96 West, 6th P. M. and completed the well as a producer from the Williams Fork Formation. The well was not drilled directionally. Subsequently, due to the greater density of Williams Fork Formation wells being drilled in the area, Williams undertook to survey gyroscopically the entire length of each of its existing wells drilled in the general area of the drilling unit and discovered that the GM-243-1 Well had producing interval and bottom hole locations in the adjacent S½ 320-acre drilling and spacing unit. Following such discovery of this improper downhole location, Williams proposed a fair and reasonable formula to allocate production from the well to net revenue interest owners both within the N½ of said Section 1 and within the drilling and spacing unit which had been encroached upon, being the S½ of Section 1, Township 7 South, Range 96 West, 6th P.M.

On March 22, 2006, Williams, by its attorney, filed with the Commission a verified application for an order to allow an exception to the permitted location specified in Order No. 440-23 for the producing intervals and the bottomhole location of the GM-243-1 Well to be located in the N½ S½ of Section 1, Township 7 South, Range 96 West, 6th P.M., in the 320-acre drilling and spacing unit consisting of the S½ of Section 1.

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, June 5, 2006
Tuesday, June 6, 2006

Time: 10:00 a.m.

Place: Council Chamber
The Ambulance Building
304 W. 3rd Street
Wray, CO 80758

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 Margaret Humecki 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 May 22, 2006 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.). Anyone who files a protest or intervention must be able to participate in a prehearing conference during the week of May 22, 2006. 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 **May 22, 2006, the Applicant may request that an administrative hearing be scheduled for the week of May 22, 2006.**

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
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