

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

IN THE MATTER OF PROMULGATION AND) CAUSE NO. 527
ESTABLISHMENT OF FIELD RULES TO)
GOVERN OPERATIONS IN THE SULFER) DOCKET NO. 0703-AW-07
CREEK, RIO BLANCO COUNTY, COLORADO)

NOTICE OF HEARING

TO ALL INTERESTED PARTIES AND TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

On March 20, 2006, the Commission issued Order No. 527-1, allowing among other things, the equivalent of one (1) well per 10 acres for certain lands including the NE¼ NE¼ of Section 27, Township 2 South, Range 98 West, 6th P.M., for the production of gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Williams Fork Formation, with the permitted well to be located no closer than one hundred (100) feet from the outside boundary of the application lands.

On January 19, 2007, Whiting Petroleum Corporation, by its attorney, filed with the Commission a verified application for an order to amend Order No. 527-1 to allow the equivalent of one (1) well per 10 acres to be drilled in the NE¼ NE¼ of Section 27, Township 2 South, Range 98 West, 6th P.M., with the permitted well to be located no closer than 100 feet from the unit boundary, for the production from the Williams Fork and Iles Formations.

All future Williams Fork Formation wells should be optionally drilled upon a ten (10) acre density basis with each such well to be located downhole anywhere upon such lands provided no such well shall be located downhole any closer than 100 feet from the outside boundary of the additional lands unless such boundary abuts or corners lands in respect of which the Commission has not at the time of the drilling permit application granted the right to drill 10 acre density Williams Fork wells, in which event the Williams Fork Formation wells to be drilled upon the additional lands shall be drilled downhole no closer than 200 feet from that portion of the boundary which so abuts or corners the additional lands in respect of which 10 acre density downhole drilling for Williams Fork Formation wells has not been ordered by the Commission.

All future Iles Formation (including the Sego member of the Iles Formation) wells should be optionally drilled on a ten (10) acre density basis with each such well to be located downhole anywhere upon the additional lands provided that no such well shall be located downhole any closer than 400 feet to the outside boundary of the lands, it being understood that Iles Formation and Sego Formation wells may be drilled only in conjunction with the drilling of Williams Fork Formation wells.

That, except as previously authorized by order of the Commission, wells to be drilled under this application will be drilled from the surface either vertically or directionally from the equivalent of no more than one pad located on a given quarter quarter section unless exception is granted by the Colorado Oil and Gas Conservation Commission pursuant to application made for such exception.

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, March 26, 2007
Tuesday, March 27, 2007

Time: 9:00 a.m.

Place: Suite 801, The Chancery Building
1120 Lincoln Street
Denver, Colorado 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 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 March 12, 2007, 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 March 12, 2007.** Pursuant to Rule 503.f., 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 **March 12, 2007, the Applicant may request that an administrative hearing be scheduled for the week of March 12, 2007.** In the alternative, pursuant to Rule 511.b., if the matter is uncontested, the applicant may request, and the Director may recommend approval on the basis of the merits of the verified application and the supporting exhibits.

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, CO 80203
February 14, 2007

Attorney for Applicant:
William A. Keefe
Poulson, Odell & Peterson, LLC
1775 Sherman Street, Suite 1400
Denver, CO 80203
(303) 861-4400