

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

IN THE MATTER OF THE PROMULGATION	)	CAUSE NO. 429
AND ESTABLISHMENT OF FIELD RULES TO	)	
GOVERN OPERATIONS IN THE BRUSH CREEK	)	DOCKET NO. 0711-AW-25
FIELD, MESA COUNTY, COLORADO	)	

NOTICE OF HEARING

TO ALL INTERESTED PARTIES AND TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

Rule 318.a. of the Rules and Regulations of the Oil and Gas Conservation Commission requires that wells drilled in excess of 2,500 feet in depth be located not less than 600 feet from any lease line, and located not less than 1,200 feet from any other producible or drilling oil or gas well when drilling to the same common source of supply. The below-listed lands are subject to this rule:

Township 9 South, Range 93 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M.

Section 18: Lot 3 (41.45), Lot 4 (41.39), SE $\frac{1}{4}$  SW $\frac{1}{4}$

Section 19: SE $\frac{1}{4}$ , Lot 4 (41.08), SE $\frac{1}{4}$  SW $\frac{1}{4}$ , NE $\frac{1}{4}$  SW $\frac{1}{4}$ , SE $\frac{1}{4}$  NW $\frac{1}{4}$ , NE $\frac{1}{4}$  NE $\frac{1}{4}$

Section 20: W $\frac{1}{2}$  NW $\frac{1}{4}$

Section 30: E $\frac{1}{2}$ , Lot 1 (41.14), Lot 2 (41.33), Lot 3 (41.61), E $\frac{1}{2}$  NW $\frac{1}{4}$ , NE $\frac{1}{4}$  SW $\frac{1}{4}$

Township 9 South, Range 94 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M.

Section 1: Lot 1 (40.15), Lot 2 (40.44), Lot 3 (40.74), Lot 4 (41.03), S $\frac{1}{2}$  N $\frac{1}{2}$ , S $\frac{1}{2}$

On June 5, 2006, the Commission issued Order No. 429-4, which among other things, allowed the equivalent of one well per 10 acres for the production of gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Mesaverde Formation, with the permitted well to be located no closer than 100 feet from the boundary of the unit or lease line (if unspaced), for certain lands in Township 9 South, Ranges 93 and 94 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M.

On November 27, 2007, the Commission issued Order No. 429-5, which among other things, allowed the equivalent of one well per 10 acres to be optionally drilled for the production of gas from the Mesaverde Formation (including the Cozzette-Corcoran Sandstones) for certain lands in Township 9 South, Ranges 93 and 94 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M.

On September 14, 2007, Plains Exploration & Production Company, by its attorney, filed with the Commission a verified application for an order to allow the equivalent of one well per 10 acres, for the below listed lands, for the production of gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Williams Fork, Rollins, Cozzette and Corcoran Formations:

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All future wells should be located downhole anywhere on the application lands, but no closer than one hundred (100) feet from the boundaries of any lease line, without exception granted by the Director. In cases where the application lands abut or corner lands where the Commission has not, at the time of the drilling permit application, granted the right to drill 10-acre density Mesaverde Formation wells, the well should be located downhole no closer than two hundred (200) feet from the lease line that so abuts or corners the lands where 10-acre density downhole drilling of Mesaverde Formation wells has not been ordered by the Commission.

That all Mesaverde Formation wells to be drilled on the application lands shall be drilled from the surface either vertically or directionally on no more than one (1) pad located on any quarter quarter section unless exception is granted by the Director.

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, November 5, 2007  
Tuesday, November 6, 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 October 22, 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 13 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 October 22, 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 **October 22, 2007, the Applicant may request that an administrative hearing be scheduled during the week of October 22, 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, Colorado 80203  
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