

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

IN THE MATTER OF THE PROMULGATION	)	CAUSE NO. 112
AND ESTABLISHMENT OF FIELD RULES TO	)	
GOVERN OPERATIONS IN THE IGNACIO-BLANCO	)	DOCKET NO. 0802-AW-06
FIELD, LA PLATA COUNTY, COLORADO	)	

NOTICE OF HEARING

TO ALL INTERESTED PARTIES AND TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

On June 17, 1988, the Commission issued Order No. 112-60, which among other things, established 320-acre drilling and spacing units for certain lands including the E½ of Section 17, Township 32 North, Range 6 West, N.M.P.M. and the E½ of Section 18, Township 33 North, Range 8 West, N.M.P.M., for production of gas from the Fruitland coal seams, with the permitted well to be located no closer than 990 feet to any outer boundary of the unit, nor closer than 130 feet to any interior quarter section line.

On July 11, 2000, the Commission issued Order No. 112-157, which among other things, allowed an optional second Fruitland coal seam well to be drilled in each 320-acre drilling and spacing unit for certain lands including the E½ of Section 17, Township 32 North, Range 6 West, N.M.P.M. and the E½ of Section 18, Township 33 North, Range 8 West N.M.P.M., with such additional well being located no closer than 990 feet to any outer boundary of the unit, nor closer than 130 feet to any interior quarter section line.

Subsequent orders in Cause No. 112 have been issued by the Commission allowing 80-acre well density on existing 320-acre drilling and spacing units for certain lands in Township 33 North, Range 8 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M., for production from the Fruitland coal seams.

On January 7, 2008, McElvain Oil & Gas Properties, Inc., by its attorney, filed with the Commission a verified application for an order to allow the option of 2 additional wells, for a total of 4, to be drilled in the 320-acre drilling and spacing units consisting of the E½ of Section 17, Township 32 North, Range 6 West, N.M.P.M. and the E½ of Section 18, Township 33 North, Range 8 West, N.M.P.M., for the production of gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Fruitland coal seam, with the permitted well to be located no closer than 660 feet from the outer unit boundary, with no interior quarter section setback. Said wells may be drilled as vertical, directional or horizontal wells, and the surface location of each of the optional wells shall be located on a common or expanded pad with any existing wells such that a total of two Fruitland coal surface well pads shall be authorized in each 320-acre drilling and spacing unit.

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 25, 2008  
Tuesday, February 26, 2008

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 February 11, 2008, 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. **Anyone who files a protest or intervention must be able to participate in a prehearing conference during the week of February 11, 2008.** 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 **February 11, 2008, the Applicant may request that an administrative hearing be scheduled during the week of February 11, 2008.** 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  
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