

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

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| IN THE MATTER OF THE PROMULGATION     | ) | CAUSE NO. 510         |
| AND ESTABLISHMENT OF FIELD RULES TO   | ) |                       |
| GOVERN OPERATIONS IN THE GRAND VALLEY | ) | DOCKET NO. 0809-AW-28 |
| FIELD, GARFIELD 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 for the Williams Fork Formation:

Township 5 South, Range 96 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M.  
Section 19: NE $\frac{1}{4}$  NE $\frac{1}{4}$ , S $\frac{1}{2}$  NE $\frac{1}{4}$

Township 7 South, Range 97 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M.  
Section 14: E $\frac{1}{2}$   
Section 21: Lot 1, 2, Tract 115B

On May 16, 1994, the Commission issued Order No. 510-1 which among other things, established setback rules for certain lands, including the E $\frac{1}{2}$  of Section 14, Township 7 South, Range 97 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M., wherein any permitted well shall be located no closer than 400 feet from the boundaries of any lease line and no closer than 800 feet from an existing Williams Fork Formation well.

On August 11, 2008, Marathon Oil Company, by its attorney, filed with the Commission a verified application for an order to allow the equivalent of one (1) well per 10 acres for the below-listed lands for production of gas and any associated hydrocarbons from the Williams Fork Formation:

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All future Williams Fork Formation wells to be drilled upon the application lands should be located downhole anywhere within the application lands but no closer than 100 feet from a lease line or the boundaries of the application lands without exception being granted by the Director of the Oil and Gas Conservation Commission. In cases where the application lands abut or corner lands in respect of which the Commission has not at the time of drilling permit application granted the right to drill 10-acre density Williams Fork Formation wells, the well should be located downhole no closer than 200 feet from the boundary or boundaries of the application lands so abutting or cornering such lands without exception being granted by the Director of the Oil and Gas Conservation Commission.

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 no more than one pad located on a given quarter quarter section (or lots or parcels approximately equivalent thereto) unless exception is granted by the Director of the 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, September 22, 2008  
Tuesday, September 23, 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 September 8, 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 September 8, 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 **September 8, 2008, the Applicant may request that an administrative hearing be scheduled during the week of September 8, 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  
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