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

IN THE MATTER OF THE PROMULGATION AND	)	CAUSE NOS. 479 and 510
ESTABLISHMENT OF FIELD RULES TO GOVERN	)	
OPERATIONS IN THE GRAND VALLEY FIELD,	)	DOCKET NO. 0908-UP-20
GARFIELD COUNTY, COLORADO	)	

## **NOTICE OF HEARING**

## TO ALL INTERESTED PARTIES AND TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

On March 22, 2005, the Commission issued Order Nos. 479-15 and 510-113, which among other things, approved 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 Formation, with no more than four Williams Fork Formation wells per governmental quarter quarter section and, if topographically feasible, one well pad per quarter quarter section, and any permitted Williams Fork Formation well shall be located no closer than 100 feet from the boundaries of any drilling unit or lease line unless such drilling unit or lease line abuts or corners lands in respect of which the Commission has not at the time of drilling permit application granted the right to drill 10 acre density wells in which event the wells shall be drilled downhole no closer than 200 feet from the lease line which so abuts or corners the lands in respect of which 10 acre density downhole drilling for Williams Fork Formation wells has not been ordered by the Commission:

Township 5 South, Range 95 West, 6th P.M.

Section 15: S½ and S½ N½

Section 16: S½ and that portion of the SW¼ NW¼ and S½ NE¼ lying

South of the southernmost Mahogany Marker as it existed

on September 14, 1970

Section 17: S½ S½, that portion of the S½ NE¼ lying South of the

southernmost Mahogany Marker as it existed on

September 14, 1970

Section 19: Lots 1, 2, 5, 6, 7, and 12 and E½ (560 acres)

Sections 20 through 22: All Sections 27 through 29: All

Section 30: Lots 1 and 7, NE¼ and SE¼ SE¼ Section 31: Lots 1, 6, 7, 8, 11, and 12 and E½

Sections 32 through 34: All

Township 6 South, Range 96 West, 6th P.M.

Section 1: Lots 3 through 14

Section 2: Lots 1 through 12 and S½

Section 3: Lots 1 through 14, E½ SW¼ and SE¼

Section 4: Lots 1, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 13, and 14 and S½ NW¼

Section 9: Lots, 1 through 15

Section 10: Lots 1 through 4, E½ W½, NE¼, and SE¼

Section 15: E½ and E½ W½

Section 16: Lots 1 through 9 and SE1/4

Section 21: Lots 6 and 7, E½ NW¼, NE¼, and N½ SE¼

Section 22: Lots 1 and 2, N½, and N½ SW¼

On February 9, 2009, EnCana Oil & Gas (USA) Inc. ("EnCana"), by its attorney, filed with the Commission a verified application, pursuant to §34-60-118, C.R.S., for an order to establish the North Parachute Ranch Unit (the "Unit") for the below-described lands, for the purpose of developing and producing gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Williams Fork Formation:

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Section 15: E½ and E½ W½

Section 16: Lots 1 through 9 and SE¼

Section 21: Lots 6 and 7, E½ NW¼, NE¼, and N½ SE¼

Section 22: Lots 1 and 2, N½, and N½ SW¼

That EnCana further states and alleges in said application that the creation of the Unit would not alter previously established well density or setbacks to the outer boundary of the Unit. EnCana requests the option of locating bottomhole locations anywhere within the Unit, including the irregular lots and sections, while acting in conformance with the order approving the equivalent of one well per 10 acres well density. EnCana asserts that the establishment of the Unit will allow EnCana to maximize the recovery of production of gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Williams Fork Formation which would otherwise not be recovered from irregular lots or sections, and will minimize surface disturbances by allowing EnCana to utilize centralized locations where there is challenging topography.

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: Tuesday, August 18, 2009

Wednesday, August 19, 2009

Time: 9:00 a.m.

Place: Trinidad, CO Area

(Location to be determined and will be posted to the website)

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. 5139, 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 August 3, 2009, 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 August 3, 2009. 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 August 3, 2009, the Applicant may request that an administrative hearing be scheduled during the week of August 3, 2009. In the alternative, pursuant to Rule 511.c., 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

Robert A. Willis, Acting Secretary

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