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

| IN THE MATTER OF THE PROMULGATION       | ) | CAUSE NO. 112         |
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| AND ESTABLISHMENT OF FIELD RULES TO     | ) |                       |
| GOVERN OPERATIONS IN THE IGNACIO-BLANCO | ) | DOCKET NO. 0910-UP-26 |
| FIFLD. LA PLATA COUNTY, COLORADO        | j |                       |

## NOTICE OF HEARING

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

On July 16, 1979, the Commission issued Order No. 112-46, which among other things, established 320-acre drilling and spacing units for certain lands, including Section 14U, Township 34 North, Range 9 West, N.M.P.M. (S.U.L.), and allowed a second well in each unit, for the production of gas from the Fruitland-Pictured Cliffs Formation, with the permitted well to be located no closer than 990 feet to any outer boundary of the unit nor closer than 990 feet from another well producing from the same formation.

On July 11, 2000, the Commission issued Order No. 112-157, which among other things, allowed an optional second well to be drilled in each 320-acre drilling and spacing unit for certain lands, including the E½ of Section 14U, Township 34 North, Range 9 West, N.M.P.M. (S.U.L.), for the production of gas from the Fruitland coal seams, with the additional permitted 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.

On September 26, 2005, the Commission issued Order No. 112-180, which among other things, amended Order No. 112-157 to allow a total of four wells to be optionally drilled in each 320-acre drilling and spacing unit for certain lands, including the E½ of Section 14U, Township 34 North, Range 9 West, N.M.P.M. (S.U.L.), for the production of gas from the Fruitland coal seams, with the permitted well to be located no closer than 660 feet to any outer boundary of the unit with no interior section line setback and utilizing a common or expanded pad with an existing well.

On September 4, 2009, BP America Production Company ("BP"), by its attorneys, filed with the Commission a verified application for an order to pool all nonconsenting interests in the established approximate 320-acre drilling and spacing unit consisting of the E½ of Section 14U, Township 34 North, Range 9 West, N.M.P.M. (S.U.L.), for the development and operation of the Fruitland coal seams. Records indicate that, on March 5, 2009, BP spud the Johnson VK GU A #3 Well on said 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, October 26, 2009

Tuesday, October 27, 2009

Time: 9:00 a.m.

Place: Greeley, CO

(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 October 13, 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 October 12, 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 October 13, 2009, the Applicant may request that an administrative hearing be scheduled during the week of October 12, 2009. In the alternative, pursuant to Rule 511., 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 |                                    |  |
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| -  | Robert A. Willis, Acting Secretary |  |

Dated at Suite 801 1120 Lincoln Street Denver, CO 80203 September 29, 2009 Attorneys for Applicant: Michael J. Wozniak Susan L. Aldridge 216 Sixteenth Street, Suite 1100 Denver, CO 80202-5115 (303) 407-4499