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

IN THE MATTER OF THE PROMULGATION AND	)	CAUSE NO. 191
ESTABLISHMENT OF FIELD RULES TO GOVERN	)	
OPERATIONS IN AN MAMM CREEK FIELD,	)	<b>DOCKET NO. 1010-SP-37</b>
GARFIELD COUNTY, COLORADO	)	

## AMENDED 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 and lles Formations:

Township 5 South, Range 91 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M. Section 31: All

On August 30, 2010, Antero Resources Piceance Corporation ("Antero"), by its attorney, filed with the Commission a verified application to establish an approximate 640-acre drilling and spacing unit for the below-listed lands, for the production of gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Williams Fork Formation and Iles Formations:

Township 5 South, Range 91 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M. Section 31: All

All future Williams Fork Formation and Iles Formation wells to be optionally drilled upon a ten (10) acre density basis with each such well to be located downhole anywhere upon a given spacing unit provided no such wells shall be located downhole any closer than 100 feet from the boundary of the unit unless such boundary abuts or corners lands in respect of which the Commission has not at the time of the drilling permit application granted the right to drill ten (10) acre density Williams Fork wells in which event Williams Fork Formation and Iles Formation wells to be drilled upon the given drilling and spacing unit shall be drilled downhole no closer than 200 feet from that portion of the unit boundary which so abuts or corners the lands in respect of which ten (10) acre density downhole drilling for Williams Fork Formation wells has not been ordered by the Commission.

Applicant asserts that except as previously authorized by order of the Commission, wells drilled or 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 Commission pursuant to application made for such exception.

The drilling of wells to the lles Formation shall be undertaken only in conjunction with the drilling of wells to the Williams Fork Formation.

On December 22, 2010, Garfield County, by its attorney, filed with the Commission an intervention.

On January 5, 2011, a prehearing conference was held in the matter, and in conjunction with this prehearing conference, a prehearing conference was held on Docket No. 1102-SP-02.

On January 26, 2011, Antero, by its attorney, filed with the Commission a request to continue this matter to the April hearing, and the matter was continued.

On February 16, 2011, Antero, by its attorney, filed with the Commission a verified amended application, for an order to establish an approximate 640-acre drilling and spacing unit for the below-listed lands, for the production of gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Williams Fork Formation and Iles Formations:

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That as to such described drilling and spacing unit constituting the application lands, the Commission should permit no more than four (4) well pads, and, at the operators option, up to sixteen (16) wells, with no more than one downhole well location in any quarter-quarter section of said unit. In addition, no such wells shall be located downhole any closer than 100 feet from the boundary of the unit unless such boundary abuts or corners lands in respect of which the Commission has not at the time of the drilling permit application granted the right to drill ten (10) acre density Williams Fork wells in which event Williams

Fork Formation and Iles Formation wells to be drilled upon the unit shall be drilled downhole no closer than 200 feet from that portion of the unit boundary which so abuts or corners the lands in respect of which ten (10) acre density downhole drilling for Williams Fork Formation wells has not been ordered by the Commission.

Further, each Oil and Gas Location Assessment (Form 2A) submitted for a well pad on the application lands shall incorporate, as may be appropriate, conditions of approval similar to those appended to the approved Form 2A for the Fenno Ranch "A" well pad located within the unit, and no well shall be drilled any closer than 500 feet to an occupied residential structure.

That the drilling of wells to the lles Formation shall be undertaken only in conjunction with the drilling of wells to the Williams Fork Formation.

On February 16, 2011, Garfield County, by its attorney, filed with the Commission a withdrawal of intervention.

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, April 4, 2011

Tuesday, April 5, 2011

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. 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.

Any interested party desiring to protest the granting of the application or to intervene on the application must file a written protest or intervention with the Commission, 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. To allow full consideration of contested matters, including scheduling a prehearing conference, protests or interventions must be received by March 21, 2011. 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 March 21, 2011, the applicant may request that an administrative hearing be scheduled during the week of March 21, 2011. 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

Robert A. Willis, Acting Secretary

Dated at Suite 801 1120 Lincoln Street Denver, Colorado 80203 February 23, 2011 Attorney for Applicant: William A. Keefe Kenneth A. Wonstolen Beatty & Wozniak, P.C. 216 Sixteenth Street, Suite 1100 Denver, Colorado 80202 (303) 407-4475