

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

IN THE MATTER OF THE PROMULGATION AND)	CAUSE NO. 440
ESTABLISHMENT OF FIELD RULES TO GOVERN)	
OPERATIONS IN THE PARACHUTE FIELD,)	DOCKET NO. 1009-SP-24
GARFIELD COUNTY, COLORADO)	

NOTICE OF HEARING

TO ALL INTERESTED PARTIES AND TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

On December 6, 2005, (Corrected December 10, 2007), the Commission issued Order No. 139-53 which, among other things, increased the number of wells that could be drilled into and produced from the Williams Fork Formation of the Mesaverde Group to one (1) well per ten (10) acres. The permitted downhole location for each Williams Fork Formation well on lands subject to Rule 318. (which included the application lands described below) is anywhere upon such lands but no closer than one hundred (100) feet from the lease boundary 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 wells, in which event the well shall be drilled downhole no closer than two hundred (200) feet from that portion of the lease 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. The application lands listed below are subject to this order.

On August 4, 2010, Noble Energy, Inc., by its attorney, filed with the Commission a verified application to establish two approximate drilling and spacing units for the below listed lands, for the production of gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Williams Fork Formation:

Township 8 South, Range 95 West, 6th P.M.

Section 4: Lots 6, 7, 8, 9, 10 (note: this is a truncated section consisting of approximately 70.88 acres)

Section 9: All

This drilling and spacing unit (DSU #1) consists of contiguous sections comprising approximately 710.88 acres.

Township 8 South, Range 95 West, 6th P.M.

Section 3: Lots 6, 7, 8, 10 (note: this is a truncated section consisting of approximately of 58.73 acres, excluding Lot 9, which is not part of the Application Lands)

Section 10: W½, W½ E½, W½ E½ E½

This drilling and spacing unit (DSU #2) consists of contiguous sections comprising approximately 618.73 acres. It excludes a strip of unleased, and unspaced, federal lands along, and inside, the eastern boundary of Sections 3 and 10.

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: Thursday, September 16, 2010
Friday, September 17, 2010

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.

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 1, 2010, 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 6, 2010.** Pursuant to Rule 503.g., 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 1, 2010, the Applicant may request that an administrative hearing be scheduled during the week of September 6, 2010.** 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 _____
Carol Harmon, Secretary

Dated at Suite 801
1120 Lincoln Street
Denver, Colorado 80203
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