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

| IN THE MATTER OF THE PROMULGATION AND  | ) | CAUSE NO. 535         |
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| ESTABLISHMENT OF FIELD RULES TO GOVERN | ) |                       |
| OPERATIONS IN AN UNNAMED FIELD, WELD   | ) | DOCKET NO. 1104-SP-17 |
| 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. Sections 3 and 10 of Township 9 North, Range 61 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M. are subject to this Rule for the Niobrara Formation.

On February 2, 2011, Continental Resources, Inc., by its attorney, filed with the Commission a verified application for an order to establish an approximate 1,280-acre drilling and spacing unit for the below-listed lands, and approve of one horizontal well within each unit, for the production of oil, gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Niobrara Formation, with the initial perforation, lateral and terminus of the permitted well to be located no closer than 600 feet from the boundary of the unit and the lateral to be located no closer than 300 feet from any wellbore which has perforated the Niobrara Formation without exception being granted by the Director of the Oil and Gas Conservation Commission:

Township 9 North, Range 61 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M. Sections 3 and 10: All

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

| Ву |                             |  |
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|    | Robert A. Willis, Secretary |  |

Dated at Suite 801 1120 Lincoln Street Denver, Colorado 80203 February 14, 2011 Attorney for Applicant: William A. Keefe Beatty & Wozniak, P.C. 216 Sixteenth Street, Suite 1100 Denver, Colorado 80202 (303) 407-4499