## 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 THE MAMM CREEK FIELD,	)	DOCKET NO. 1208-SP-94
GARFIELD COUNTY, COLORADO	)	

## **NOTICE OF HEARING**

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

On January 10, 2005, the Commission issued Order No. 191-8 which, among other things, established 320-acre drilling and spacing units for the production of gas and associated hydrocarbons, and allow the number of wells drilled into and produced from the Williams Fork Formation to the equivalent of one well per 10 acres and drilled from one pad per quarter quarter section, with the permitted well to be located downhole no closer than 100 feet from the unit boundaries, unless such lands abut or corner lands in respect of which the Commission has not at the time of drilling permit application granted the right to drill 10-acre density Williams Fork Formation wells, the well shall be located downhole no closer than 200 feet from the unit boundaries of the drilling unit so abutting or cornering such lands, without exception being granted by the Director. Section 1, Township 7 South, Range 91 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M. is subject to Order No. 191-8 for the Williams Fork Formation of the Mesaverde Group.

On April 25, 2005, the Commission issued Oder No. 191-10 which, among other things, established 320-acre drilling and spacing units for the production of gas and associated hydrocarbons, and allow the number of wells drilled into and produced from the lles Formation to the equivalent of one well per 10 acres and drilled from one pad per quarter quarter section, with the permitted well to be located downhole no closer than 100 feet from the unit boundaries, unless such lands abut or corner lands in respect of which the Commission has not at the time of drilling permit application granted the right to drill 10-acre density lles Formation wells, the well shall be located downhole no closer than 400 feet from the unit boundaries of the drilling unit so abutting or cornering such lands, without exception being granted by the Director. Section 1, Township 7 South, Range 91 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M. is subject to Order No. 191-10 for the lles Formation of the Mesaverde Group.

On June 21, 2012, WPX Energy Rocky Mountain, LLC ("WPX" or "Applicant"), by its attorneys, filed with the Commission pursuant to § 34-60-116 C.R.S., a verified application ("Application") for an order to: 1) vacate Order Nos. 191-8 and 191-10; 2) establish an approximate 292.20-acre drilling and spacing unit for the below-described lands ("Application Lands"), for the production of oil, gas and associated hydrocarbons from the lles and Williams Fork Formations of the Mesaverde Group; and 3) revert the remaining approximate 40-acre portion of the established drilling and spacing unit to unspaced lands governed by Rule 318.a.:

Township 7 South, Range 91 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M.
Section 1: Lot 1, Lot 2, Lot 3 and Lot 4;
SW<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> SW<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>, SE<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> SE<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> SE<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> (292.20-acre DSU)

Township 7 South, Range 91 West, 6th P.M.

Section 1: SW¼ SE¼ (Rule 318.a. 40-acre portion)

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, pursuant to: 1) the general jurisdiction granted to the Oil and Gas Conservation Commission of the State of Colorado (Commission) under § 34-60-105 C.R.S.; 2) specific powers granted pursuant to § 34-60-106 C.R.S.; 3) the Colorado Administrative Procedures Act at § 24-4-105 C.R.S.; and 4) the Commission's Series 500 Rules at 2CCR 404-1, that the Commission has scheduled the above-entitled matter for hearing on:

Date: Monday, August 20, 2012

Tuesday, August 21, 2012

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 August 6, 2012, 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 6, 2012. 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 August 6, 2012, the Applicant may request that an administrative hearing be scheduled during the week of August 6, 2012. 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\_

Robert J. Frick, Secretary

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