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

IN THE MATTER OF THE PROMULGATION AND)	CAUSE NO. 535
ESTABLISHMENT OF FIELD RULES TO GOVERN)	
OPERATIONS IN AN UNNAMED FIELD,)	DOCKET NO. 1208-UP-227
WELD COUNTY, COLORADO)	

NOTICE OF HEARING

TO ALL INTERESTED PARTIES AND TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

On September 19, 2011, the Commission issued Order No. 535-69 which, among other things, established forty approximate 640-acre drilling and spacing units, and approved up to two horizontal wells within each unit, for the production of oil, gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Niobrara Formation. Section 22, Township 8 North, Range 61 West, 6th P.M. is subject to this Order for the Niobrara Formation.

On June 20, 2012, Noble Energy, Inc. ("Noble" 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 pool all interests for the below-described lands ("Application Lands"), to accommodate the Washburn LE 22-78HN Well (API No. 05-123-35060) ("Well"), for the development and operation of the Niobrara Formation, effective as of the earlier of the date Application, or the date that any of the costs specified in C.R.S § 34-60-116(7)(b)(II) were first incurred for the drilling of each respective horizontal Well, and to subject any nonconsenting interests to the cost recovery provisions of C.R.S. § 34-60-116(7):

Township 8 North, Range 61 West, 6th P.M. Section 22

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:

COGCC Offices

1120 Lincoln Street, Suite 801 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 beginning 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

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Robert J. Frick, Secretary

Dated at Suite 801 1120 Lincoln Street Denver, Colorado 80203 July 16, 2012 Attorneys for Noble: Jamie L. Jost Matthew J. Lepore Beatty & Wozniak, P.C. 216 Sixteenth Street, Suite 1100 Denver, Colorado 80202 (303) 407-4499