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

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF	)	CAUSE NO. 535
CARRIZO OIL AND GAS, INC., FOR AN ORDER	)	
TO APPROVE UP TO SIX HORIZONTAL WELLS	)	DOCKET NO. 1303-AW-13
IN AN APPROXIMATE 640-ACRE DRILLING AND	)	
SPACING UNIT ESTABLISHED FOR SECTION	)	
36, TOWNSHIP 9 NORTH, RANGE 59 WEST, 6 <sup>TH</sup>	)	
P.M., FOR THE NIOBRARA FORMATION,	)	
UNNAMED FIELD, WELD COUNTY, COLORADO	)	

## NOTICE OF HEARING

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

On October 31, 2011, the Commission entered Order No. 535-102 which, among other things, established three 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 36, Township 9 North, Range 59 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M. is subject to this Order for the Niobrara Formation.

On November 15, 2012, the Commission entered Order No. 535-217 which, among other things, approved up to four horizontal wells within the approximate 640-acre drilling and spacing unit, for the production of oil, gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Niobrara Formation, with the treated interval of the horizontal wellbore to be no closer than 600 feet from the unit boundaries, and no closer than 600 feet from the treated interval of any other wellbore located in the unit, without exception being granted by the Director. Section 36, Township 9 North, Range 59 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M. is subject to this Order for the Niobrara Formation.

On January 24, 2013, Carrizo Oil & Gas, Inc. ("Carrizo" 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 approve up to a total of six horizontal wells within an approximate 640-acre drilling and spacing unit established for the below-described lands ("Application Lands"), for the production of oil, gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Niobrara Formation, with the treated interval of the horizontal wellbore to be no closer than 600 feet from the unit boundaries, and no closer than 600 feet from the treated interval of any other wellbore located in the unit, without exception being granted by the Director:

Township 9 North, Range 59 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M. Section 36: All

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

Date:

Monday, March 25, 2013 Tuesday, March 26, 2013 Time:

9:00 a.m.

Place:

Colorado Oil and Gas Conservation Commission

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 March 11, 2013, 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 March 11, 2013. 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 March 11, 2013, the Applicant may request that an administrative hearing be scheduled beginning March 11, 2013. 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.

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OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION COMMISSION

OF THE STATE OF COLORADO

Robert J. Frick, Secretary

Dated: February 21, 2013

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