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

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF NOBLE	)	CAUSE NO. 407
ENERGY, INC FOR AN ORDER TO AFFIRM	j	
POOLING ORDER NO. 407-734 AS TO PREVIOUSLY	í	DOCKET NO. 1312-UP-251
UNNOTICED PARTIES FOR SECTION 3, TOWNSHIP	ý	
6 NORTH, RANGE 65 WEST, 6TH P.M. FOR THE	í	
CODELL-NIOBRARA FORMATION, WATTENBERG	ý	
FIELD, WELD COUNTY, COLORADO	ý	

## **NOTICE OF HEARING**

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

On November 15, 2012, the Commission entered Order No. 407-734 which, among other things, pooled all interests in an approximate 160-acre designated wellbore spacing unit established for the development and operation of the Codell-Niobrara Formation, effective as the earlier date of the Application, or the date that the costs specified in C.R.S. § 34-60-116(7)(b)(II) were first incurred for the drilling of the Bickling PC E 03-21D Well. Section 3, Township 6 North, Range 65 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M. is subject to Order No. 407-734 for the Codell-Niobrara Formation.

Subsequent to the November 15, 2012 hearing, Noble Energy, Inc. ("Noble" or "Applicant"), learned of additional mineral interest owners within the approximate 160-acre designated wellbore spacing unit subject to Order No. 407-734, to whom Notice of the Pooling Application, as well as an AFE and offer to lease and/or participate, had not been provided. Applicant has sent an appropriate offer to lease or participate, and an AFE containing the required information under Rule 530.a., to the previously unnoticed interested parties.

On October 17, 2013, Noble, by its attorneys, filed with the Commission pursuant to §34-60-116, C.R.S., a verified application ("Application") for an order to affirm that all interests, including interests owned by previously unnoticed parties, were pooled, in an approximate 160-acre designated wellbore spacing unit established for the below-described lands ("Application Lands") pursuant to §34-60-116(6), C.R.S. by Order No. 407-734, for the development and operation of the Codell-Niobrara Formation, effective as of the date that any of the costs specified in §34-60-116(7)(b)(II), C.R.S. were first incurred for the drilling of the Bickling PC E 03-21D Well (API No. 05-123-34968) ("Well"), and to subject any nonconsenting interests to the cost recovery provisions of §34-60-116(7), C.R.S.:

Township 6 North, Range 65 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M.
Section 3: NE¼ SW¼, NW¼ SE¼, SW¼ NE¼, SE¼ NW¼

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 Procedures 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, December 16, 2013 Tuesday, December 17, 2013 Time: 9:00 a.m.

Place: Ralph L. Carr Colorado Judicial Center

1300 Broadway, 1st Floor, Room 1E

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 December 2, 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. One electronic (cogcc.hearings unit@state.co.us), one original and two 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 December 3, 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 December 2, 2013, the Applicant may request that an administrative hearing be scheduled beginning December 3, 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.

OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF COLORADO

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