

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

IN THE MATTER OF THE PROMULGATION AND	)	CAUSE NO. 407
ESTABLISHMENT OF FIELD RULES TO GOVERN	)	
OPERATIONS FOR THE CODELL AND NIOBRARA	)	DOCKET NO. 1406-UP-189
FORMATIONS, WATTENBERG FIELD, ADAMS	)	
COUNTY, COLORADO	)	

NOTICE OF HEARING

TO ALL INTERESTED PARTIES AND TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

APPLICATION LANDS

Township 1 South, Range 67 West, 6th P.M.
Section 15: All

APPLICATION

On April 17, 2014, Ward Petroleum Corporation ("Ward Petroleum Corporation" or "Applicant") filed a verified application pursuant to §34-60-116 C.R.S. for an order to:

- 1) Establish an approximate 640-acre drilling and spacing unit for horizontal well development to the Codell and Niobrara Formations.
- 2) Approve up to 12 horizontal wells within the unit.
- 3) Require the productive interval of the wellbore to be located no closer than 460 feet from the unit boundaries, and no closer than 150 feet from the productive interval of any other wellbore located in the unit.
- 4) Applicant requests to locate the surface facilities for the proposed wells on no more than two wellpads within the unit.
- 5) Pool all interests in an approximate 640-acre drilling and spacing unit for the Application Lands, for the development and operation of the Codell and Niobrara Formations; and
- 6) Subject any nonconsenting interests to the cost recovery provisions of C.R.S. §34-60-116(7), effective as of the earlier of the date of the Application, or the date that any of the costs specified in §34-60-116(7)(b), C.R.S. were first incurred for the drilling of the Todd Creek Farms #15-2-4HN well to the Niobrara Formation and the Todd Creek Farms #15-2-3HC well to the Codell Formation.

PRIOR RULES AND ORDERS

(available online at: <http://cogcc.state.co.us>, under "ORDERS")

- On April 27, 1998, the Commission adopted Rule 318A, the Greater Wattenberg Area Special Well Location, Spacing and Unit Designation Rule.

gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Codell Formation underlying certain lands with the unit to be designated by the operator drilling the first well in the quarter section.

- On February 19, 1992, Order No. 407-87 (amended August 20, 1993) established 80-acre drilling and spacing units for the production of oil and/or gas from the Codell and Niobrara Formations underlying certain lands, with the permitted well locations in accordance with the provisions of Order No. 407-1.

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, June 16, 2014
Tuesday, June 17, 2014

Time: 9:00 a.m.

Place: Rifle Branch Library
Garfield County Public Library District
207 East Avenue
Rifle, CO 81650

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.

At hearing, the Commission will consider the Application and enter an order pursuant to its authority under the statute. **Any interested party desiring to protest or intervene should file with the Commission a written protest or intervention in accordance with Rule 509., no later than June 2, 2014.** 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 June 2, 2014.** Pursuant to Rule 511., if the matter is uncontested, it may be approved without a hearing, based on review of the merits of the verified application and supporting exhibits.

OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION COMMISSION
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By 
Robert J. Frick, Secretary

Dated: May 11, 2014

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