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

| IN THE MATTER OF THE PROMULGATION AND   | ) CAUSE NO. 535        |
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| ESTABLISHMENT OF FIELD RULES TO GOVERN  | )                      |
| OPERATIONS FOR THE NIOBRARA AND CODELL  | ) DOCKET NO. 150700434 |
| FORMATIONS, UNKNOWN FIELD, WELD COUNTY, | )                      |
| COLORADO                                | ) TYPE: SPACING        |

## NOTICE OF HEARING

TO ALL INTERESTED PARTIES AND TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

## APPLICATION LANDS

Township 7 North, Range 60 West, 6th P.M.

Section 14: All Section 15: All

## **APPLICATION**

On May 21, 2015, Caerus WashCo LLC (Operator No. 86610) ("Caerus" or "Applicant") filed a verified application pursuant to § 34-60-116 C.R.S. for an order to:

- 1) Vacate Order No. 535-333 which pooled all interested in an approximate 640-acre drilling and spacing unit established for Section 15, Township 7 North, Range 60 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M.:
- 2) Vacate an approximate 640-acre drilling and spacing unit established by Order 535-324 for Section 15, Township 7 North, Range 60 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M., for the production of oil, gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Niobrara Formation;
- 3) Establish an approximate 1280-acre drilling and spacing unit for the Application Lands, for the production of oil, gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Niobrara and Codell Formations
- 4) Approve up to 28 horizontal wells within the unit, with 24 horizontal wells to be drilled to the Niobrara Formation and four horizontal wells to be drilled to the Codell Formation, with the productive interval of each wellbore located no closer than 600 feet from the unit boundaries, and no closer than 100 feet from the productive interval of any other wellbore located within the unit, without exception being granted by the Director
- 5) Applicant states that the proposed wells will be located on no more than four wellpads within the unit or on adjacent lands, without exception granted by the Director.

#### PRIOR RULES AND ORDERS

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

 Rule 318.a. of the Rules and Regulations of the Commission requires that, on unspaced lands, wells drilled in excess of 2,500 feet in depth be located not less than 600 feet from any lease line, and located not less than 1,200 feet from any other producible or drilling oil or gas well when drilling to the same common source of supply. Section 14, Township 7 North, Range 60 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M. is subject to this Rule for the Niobrara and Codell Formations. Section 15, Township 7 North, Range 60 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M. is subject to this Rule for the Codell Formation.

- On May 6, 2013, the Commission entered Order 535-324 which, among other things, established an approximate 640-acre drilling and spacing unit for Section 15, Township 7 North, Range 60 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M, and approved up to four horizontal wells within the unit, Section 15, Township 7 North, Range 60 West, 6th P.M. is subject to this Order for the Niobrara Formation.
- On May 6, 2013, the Commission entered Order 535-333 which, among other things, pooled all interests in the approximate 640-acre drilling and spacing unit established for Section 15, Township 7 North, Range 60 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M.

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, July 20, 2015

Tuesday, July 21, 2015

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.

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 July 6, 2015. Such interested party shall, at the same time, serve a copy of the electronic person filing application. One the the intervention to protest or (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 July 6, 2015. 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 OF THE STATE OF COLORADO

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Dated: June 9, 2015

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