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September 22, 2009

Colorado Oil and Gas Conservation Commission  
The Chancery Building  
1120 Lincoln Street, Suite 801  
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Attn: Mr. David Neslin, Director

RE: **Request to the Director for 318A.a Surface Location Exception (Outside 318A Drilling Window)**  
**Request to the Director for 318A.c Twinning Location Exception**  
**Request to the Director for 603a.2 Property Line Exception**  
SAUER F33-33  
Codell/Niobrara New Drill  
Township 5 North, Range 65 West, 6th P.M.  
Section 33: SW/4SW/4: 1,311' FSL & 195' FWL (Surface Location)  
Weld County, Colorado

Mr. Neslin:

Noble Energy Inc. (NEI) is planning to drill the above mentioned well to the Codell/Niobrara formations.

The surface location of NEI's proposed well has been staked outside of the 318Aa drilling window. The location is being permitted as an exception location. NEI has obtained written permission in a consent letter from the surface owner.

Under the Revised Rule 318A any new twinning well to be located within 50' of an existing well. The surface location of NEI's proposed well has been staked approximately 750' from the nearest oil and gas well. Noble has obtained permission, contained in a consent letter, from the surface owner.

The surface location of NEI's proposed well has been staked at a location approximately 15' from a surface property line. As prescribed by the Colorado Oil and Gas Conservation Commission ("COGCC") Rule 603.a.(2), Noble has obtained a waiver of said Rule 603.a.(2) from the affected surface owner. A copy of this waiver is attached for your consideration.

Thank you for your attention to the enclosed. Noble respectfully requests that the COGCC review the enclosed information and approve the requested exception location waivers and Application for Permit to Drill the captioned well.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'Kate Shirley'.

Kate Shirley  
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May 27, 2009

Raymond A. Sauer and Vera M. Sauer  
1042 22<sup>nd</sup> Avenue  
Greeley, Colorado 80634

RE: **Surface Exception Location Consent**  
**Directional Drilling Waiver**  
**Well Set-Back (Twinning) Exception Consent**  
SAUER F33-33  
Township 5 North, Range 65 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M.  
Section 33: SW/4SW/4  
Weld County, CO

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Sauer:

Noble Energy, Inc. ("Noble") plans to drill the SAUER F33-33 well (the "Well") at the referenced location which is more specifically described as 195 feet FWL, and 1,311 feet FSL which is outside the drilling window prescribed in Colorado Oil and Gas Conservation Commission ("COGCC") Rule 318A.a.(1).

By signing this letter you hereby grant your consent to Noble to locate the Well outside of a GWA window as defined in COGCC Rule 318A.a and waive the directional drilling requirement under Rule 318A.e. Additionally, the Well is being proposed at a surface location approximately 750 feet from an existing surface well location. By signing this letter you also grant your consent to Noble to locate the Well more than 50 feet from the existing well as provided for under COGCC Rule 318A.c.(2).

Noble hereby agrees that it will not drill the Well until you, as the Surface Owner, and Noble have entered into a Surface Use Agreement and the consideration therefore has been paid by Noble.

We would like to thank you for your assistance in this matter. If you have any questions do not hesitate to call me at (970) 785-5000.

NOBLE ENERGY, INC.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Bill Betson".

Bill Betson  
Senior Land Negotiator

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Raymond A. Sauer".  
By: Raymond A. SauerA handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Vera M. Sauer".  
By: Vera M. Sauer

Date: 6-10-09

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09/24/2008

G. A. Keiser and Phyllis M. Keiser  
24360 Weld County Road 41  
LaSalle, Colorado 80645

RE: **Property Line Waiver**  
SAUER F33-33  
Township 5 North, Range 65 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M.  
Section 33: SW/4SW/4  
Weld County, CO

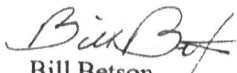
Dear Mr. and Mrs. Keiser:

Noble Energy, Inc. ("Noble") plans to drill the SAUER F33-33 well (the "Well") at the referenced location which is more specifically described as 195 feet FWL and 1,311 feet FSL. This location is approximately 15 feet from your property line. Noble respectfully requests that you, as the offset surface owner, waive Rule 603.a.(2) of the Colorado Oil and Gas Conservation Commission ("COGCC") Rules and Regulations requiring that the Well be located a minimum distance of 150 feet from a surface property line.

Please sign below to evidence your waiver and have your signature acknowledged by a Notary Public on the acknowledgement form attached. If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact me at (970) 785-5000.

Very truly yours,

NOBLE ENERGY, INC.

  
Bill Betson  
Senior Land Negotiator

The undersigned hereby waives COGCC Rule 603.a.(2).

G. A. Keiser and Phyllis M. Keiser

By: G. A. Keiser  
G.A. Keiser

By: Phyllis M. Keiser  
Phyllis M. Keiser

STATE OF COLORADO )  
 ) ss  
COUNTY OF WELD )

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this 24<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2008, by G. A. Keiser and Phyllis M. Keiser.

[SEAL]

My commission expires: \_\_\_\_\_

Gina R. Olivo  
Notary Public

