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September 21, 2009

Colorado Oil and Gas Conservation Commission  
The Chancery Building  
1120 Lincoln Street, Suite 801  
Denver, CO 80203

Attn: Mr. David Neslin, Director

RE: **HORSE IRON P21-21D**  
Codell/Niobrara/JSand New Drill  
Township 3 North, Range 67 West, 6th P.M.  
Section 21: SENE: 2,470' FNL & 1,001' FEL (Surface Location)  
Weld County, Colorado

Mr. Neslin:

Noble Energy, Inc. ("NEI") is planning to drill the captioned boundary well in accordance with the provisions of COGCC Rule 318A(e).

NEI's proposed wellbore spacing unit consists of the SWNE, SENW, NESW, NWSE of Section 21, T3N, R67W, creating a 160-acre wellbore spacing unit. NEI is not the only owner within the proposed wellbore spacing unit and as such provided notice to the remaining owner(s) within said proposed spacing unit as required under COGCC Rule 318A(e)(6). Copies of the required notice letter(s) is/are attached. The required twenty (20) day notice period has elapsed absent the receipt by NEI of an objection to said proposal by the owner(s) within the proposed spacing unit for this well.

Also, enclosed are copies of the following documents to assist you in your review and approval of NEI's proposed APD for the captioned well:

- Plat illustrating the proposed wellbore spacing unit and number of Codell/Niobrara/J Sand wells located within the existing 160-acre governmental quarter section to be less than eight (8) in accordance with COGCC Rule 318A.f.
- Plat illustrating proposed wellbore spacing unit on existing location plat

Thank you for your attention to the enclosed. NEI respectfully requests that the COGCC review the enclosed information and approve the Application for Permit to Drill the captioned well.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads 'Kate Shirley'.

Kate Shirley  
Regulatory Specialist  
Noble Energy Inc.

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August 14, 2009

**CERTIFIED MAIL  
RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED**

**ARTICLE #7007 2560 0002 6539 6781**

Kerr-McGee Oil & Gas Onshore, LP  
Attn: Anna Cavaleri  
1099 18<sup>th</sup> Street, Suite 1800  
Denver, CO 80202

RE: Notice of 318A.e Well Proposal  
Codell/Niobrara/J Sand: New Well  
WELL NAME: **Horse Iron P21-21D**  
Township 3 North, Range 67 West  
Section 21: NW/4SE/4 (BHL)  
Weld County, Colorado

Dear Ms. Cavaleri:

Noble Energy, Inc. ("Noble") intends to propose, drill and operate the referenced well pursuant to paragraph 6 of Rule 318A.e., Order 1R-100 of the Colorado Oil and Gas Conservation Commission ("COGCC"). Attached for your information is a plat representing this proposal.

Additional information for this well:

(1) **Wellbore Spacing Unit**

The wellbore spacing unit will be comprised of the SW/4NE/4, SE/4NW/4, NE/4SW/4, NW/4SE/4 of Section 21, in T3N, R67W, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M. as depicted on the enclosed plat. The working interests attributable to the Codell/Niobrara/J Sand formations in the contributing 40 acre quarter-quarter sections will be utilized to determine the interests of the parties in the proposed 160 acre spacing unit for this well. It appears that you own a working interest in the proposed wellbore spacing unit for this well.

(2) **Target Formations**

This well will be drilled to a total depth to sufficiently test the Codell/Niobrara/J Sand formations.

(3) **Surface and Bottomhole Locations**

SHL: 2,470' FNL, 1,001' FEL, Section 21, T3N, R67W, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M.  
BHL: 2,454' FSL, 2,522' FEL, Section 21, T3N, R67W, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M.

(4) **Anticipated Spud Date**

4th Quarter, 2010

(5) **Request for Title Information**

In order to facilitate the rendering of a full title opinion, please provide copies of any title opinions, updates and JIB/Rev deck materials for the referenced spacing unit in your possession to Noble.

Pursuant to the aforementioned rule, you have twenty (20) days from your receipt of this notice to object to this proposal. In the event you do not respond to this notice or enter an objection within the established time period, the proposed 160 acre spacing unit set forth herein shall be established. **However, should you have no objection to this proposal, please so indicate by signing in the space provided below and returning to Noble as soon as possible.** Your cooperation in this matter is greatly appreciated so that Noble may timely continue the permitting process for this well.

A formal well proposal, including Noble's proposed AFE and JOA will be forthcoming under separate cover.

Thank you for your timely consideration and response to this proposal. Please call me at 303-228-4367 if you have any questions.

Very truly yours,

**NOBLE ENERGY, INC.**

*Robert Bram*

Robert J. Bram  
Land Negotiator

RJB:mw

Enclosures

Pursuant to paragraph 6 of Rule 318A.e., Order 1R-100 of the Colorado Oil and Gas Conservation Commission, the undersigned has received notice from Noble Energy, Inc. ("Noble") of its intention to drill and operate the Horse Iron P21-21D well in Section 21, T3N, R67W, Weld County, Colorado and the undersigned hereby waives the twenty (20) day notice requirement as provided by said rule.

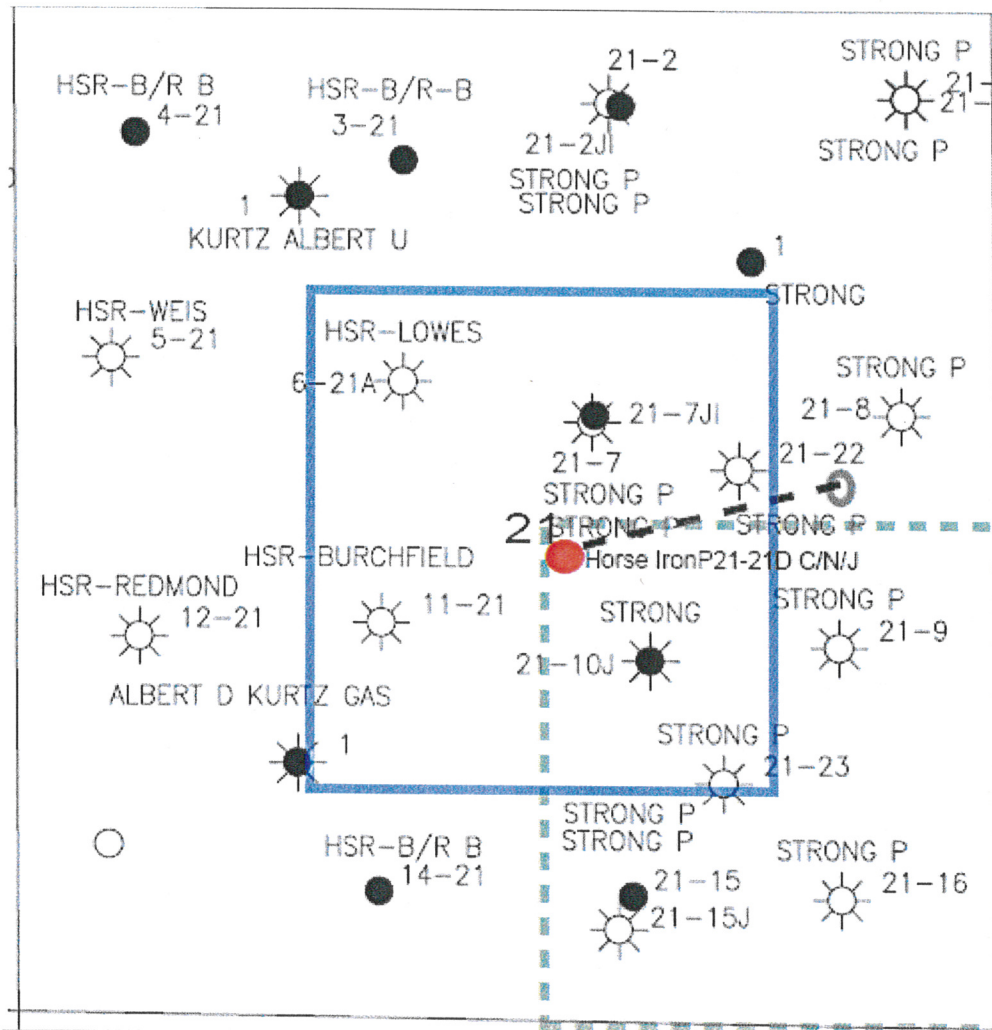
Kerr-McGee Oil & Gas Onshore LP

By: *Chad McAllaster*

Printed Name: Chad McAllaster, Subsurface Manager

Date: 8/26/09

**Horse Iron P 21-21D**  
**NW/4SE/4, Section 21, T3N, R67W**



**LEGEND**



Proposed 160 acre Spacing Unit



Bottomhole Located NWSE, Section 21, T3N, R67W

The governmental  $\frac{1}{4}$  Section has less than 8 bottomhole wells producing from the Codell, Niobrara, & J-Sand Formations.



# Proposed 318Ae Spacing Unit Map

