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September 29, 2009

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

Attn: Mr. David Neslin, Director

RE: **Romero G 03-29D**
Codell/Niobrara: New Drill
Township 4 North, Range 65 West, 6th P.M.
Section 3: NWNW: 573' FNL & 556' FWL (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 S/2SW/4 of Section 34, T5N, R65W and the N/2NW/4, of Section 3, T4N, R65W, 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 blue ink that reads 'Mari Clark'.

Mari Clark
Regulatory Specialist
Noble Energy Inc.

July 1, 2009

**Certified Mail
Return Receipt Requested**

7008 1830 0003 4248 0349

Merit Energy Company
Attn: Laura Doerty
13727 Noel Road, Ste. 2000
Dallas, TX 75240

RE: Notice of 318A.e. Well Proposal
Codell/Niobrara (New) Well
WELL NAME: **ROMERO G03-29D**
Section 3, T4N, R65W
Weld County, Colorado

Dear Ms. Doerty:

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").

Additional information for this well:

- (1) **Wellbore Spacing Unit**
The wellbore spacing unit will be comprised of T4N, R65W Sec 3: N/2NW/4 and T5N-65W Sec 34: S/2SW/4 as depicted on the enclosed plat. The working interests attributable to the Codell/Niobrara 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. Recent title information indicates that you own approximately 40/160 net acres for a 0.25 interest in the proposed well.
- (2) **Target Formations**
This well will be drilled to a total depth to sufficiently test the Codell/Niobrara formations.
- (3) **Surface and Bottom Hole Locations**
Surface Location: 573' FNL, 556' FWL
Bottomhole Location: 75' FSL, 1305' FWL
- (4) **Anticipated Spud Date**
September 1, 2009

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 return a copy of this letter 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. Please provide any title information you have on your interest and if possible JIB and revenue decks.

Thank you in advance for your timely consideration and response to this proposal. Please feel free to contact me @ (303) 228-4073 should you have any questions.

Yours truly,

NOBLE ENERGY, INC.



Matthew E. Johnson
Senior Landman

MEJ:jkb

Enclosures

Pursuant to paragraph 6 of Rule 318 A.e., Order 1R-100 of the Colorado Oil and Gas Conservation Commission ("COGCC"), the undersigned has received notice from Noble Energy, Inc. ("NOBLE") of its intention to drill and operate the ROMERO G03-29D well in Section 3, T4N, R65W, Weld County, Colorado and the undersigned hereby waives the twenty (20) day notice requirement as provided by said rule.

Merit Energy Company

By: _____

Printed Name: _____

Date: _____

July 1, 2009

Certified Mail
Return Receipt Requested

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Colorado Energy Minerals
P.O. Box 899
Denver, CO 80201



RE: Notice of 318A.e. Well Proposal
Codell/Niobrara Formations (New) Well
WELL NAME: **ROMERO G03-29D**
Section 3, T4N, R65W
Weld County, Colorado

Dear Working Interest Owner(s):

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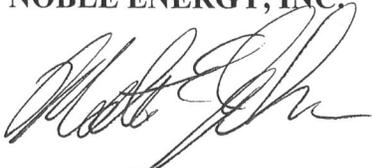
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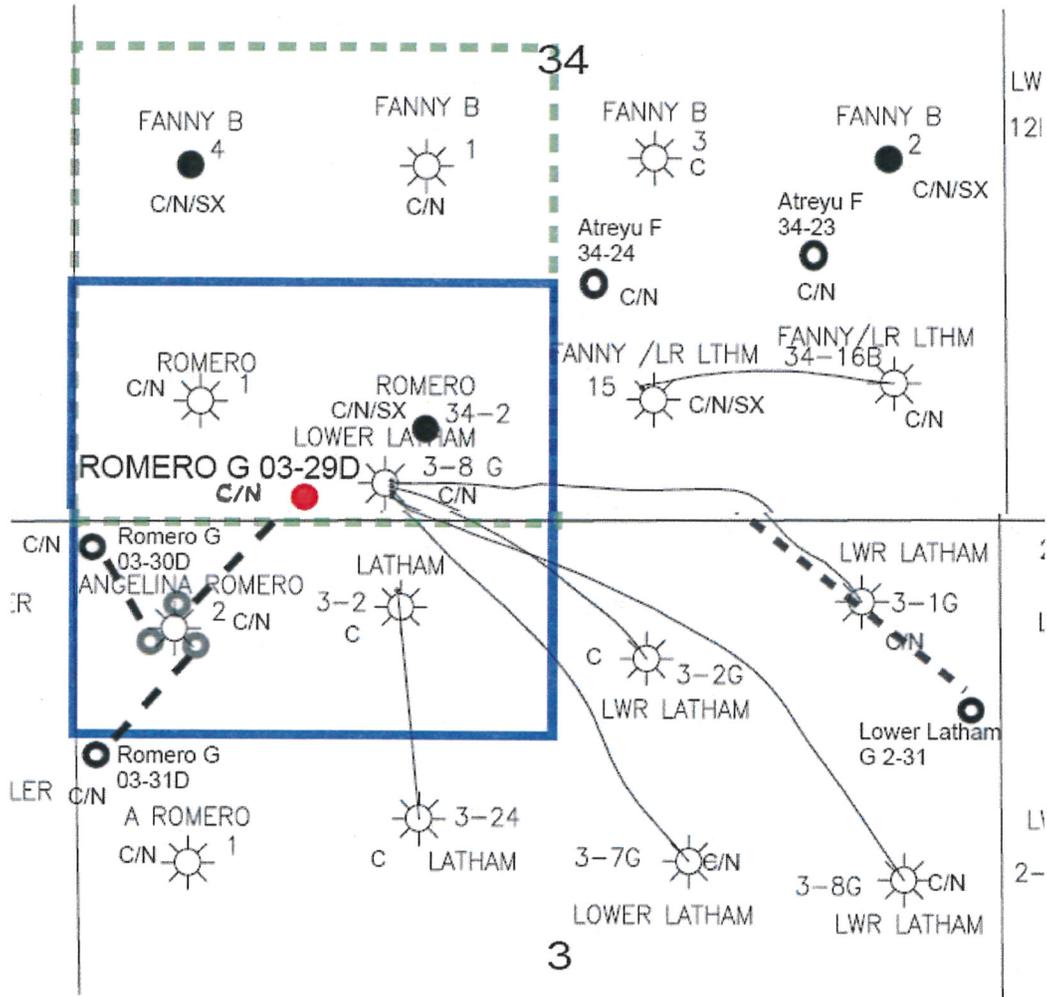
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Colorado Energy Minerals

By: 
Printed Name: James P. Murphy
Date: 7/8/09

Romero G 03-29D
NWNW, Sec 3, T4N, R65W



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Proposed 160 acre Spacing Unit



Bottom Hole Located SE-SW, Sec 34, T5N, R65W

The governmental 1/4 Section has less than 8 bottom hole wells producing from the Codell, Niobrara, & J-Sand Formations.

Proposed 318Ae Spacing Unit Map

