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Land Department

October 13, 2009

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RE: **Surface Exception Location Consent**  
**Directional Drilling Waiver**  
**Well Set-Back (Twinning) Exception Consent**  
SCHMIDT K23-24D  
Township 4 North, Range 66 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M.  
Section 23: NE/4SW/4  
Weld County, CO

Dear Mr. Mosier:

Noble Energy, Inc. ("Noble") plans to drill the SCHMIDT K23-24D well (the "Well") at the referenced location which is more specifically described as 2326 feet FSL, and 2551 feet FWL 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 712 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).

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.

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Joe Martin

Russell L. Mosier

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By: Russell L. Mosier

Date: Oct 20 2009