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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT

APPLICATION FOR PERMIT TO DRILL OR REENTER

1a. Type of work: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> DRILL <input type="checkbox"/> REENTER		5. Lease Serial No. C - 23443
1b. Type of Well: <input type="checkbox"/> Oil Well <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Gas Well <input type="checkbox"/> Other <input type="checkbox"/> Single Zone <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Multiple Zone		6. If Indian, Allottee or Tribe Name N/A
2. Name of Operator Noble Energy, Inc.		7. If Unit or CA Agreement, Name and No. N/A
3a. Address 1625 Broadway #2000 Denver, CO 80202	3b. Phone No. (include area code) 303-228-4064	8. Lease Name and Well No. Federal 7-23A (7K Pad)
4. Location of Well (Report location clearly and in accordance with any State requirements.) At surface NE SW 1980' FSL & 3049' FWL At proposed prod. zone NE SW 2444' FSL & 2271' FWL		9. API Well No. 05-045-
14. Distance in miles and direction from nearest town or post office* 5 air miles South of Parachute		10. Field and Pool, or Exploratory Rulison/WMSFK/ILES
15. Distance from proposed* location to nearest property or lease line, ft. (Also to nearest drig. unit line, if any) 422'	16. No. of acres in lease 1248.62	11. Sec., T. R. M. or Blk. and Survey or Area Sec. 7-T8S-R95W
18. Distance from proposed location* to nearest well, drilling, completed, applied for, on this lease, ft. 320'	17. Spacing Unit dedicated to this well 139-59 -40 acre SWNE	12. County or Parish Garfield
21. Elevations (Show whether DF, KDB, RT, GL, etc.) 6517.3' GL	19. Proposed Depth 7351'	13. State CO
22. Approximate date work will start* 05/01/2007	20. BLM/BIA Bond No. on file NM0484	23. Estimated duration 2 weeks

24. Attachments

The following, completed in accordance with the requirements of Onshore Oil and Gas Order No.1, shall be attached to this form:

1. Well plat certified by a registered surveyor.
2. A Drilling Plan.
3. A Surface Use Plan (if the location is on National Forest System Lands, the SUPO shall be filed with the appropriate Forest Service Office).
4. Bond to cover the operations unless covered by an existing bond on file (see Item 20 above).
5. Operator certification
6. Such other site specific information and/or plans as may be required by the authorized officer.

25. Signature <i>DeAnne Spector</i>	Name (Printed/Typed) DeAnne Spector	Date 04/20/2007
Title Regulatory Specialist		

Approved by (Signature) <i>Allen B. Crockett</i>	Name (Printed/Typed) Allen B. Crockett, Ph.D.	Date AUG 23 2007
Title Supervisory Natural Resource Specialist		
Office Glenwood Springs Energy Office		

Application approval does not warrant or certify that the applicant holds legal or equitable title to those rights in the subject lease which would entitle the applicant to conduct operations thereon.

Conditions of approval, if any, are attached.

"Conditions of Approval Attached"

Title 18 U.S.C. Section 1001 and Title 43 U.S.C. Section 1212, make it a crime for any person knowingly and willfully to make to any department or agency of the United States any false, fictitious or fraudulent statements or representations as to any matter within its jurisdiction.

*(Instructions on page 2)

**"APPROVAL TO FLARE GRANTED
WHILE DRILLING AND TESTING"**

**APD approved not
to exceed 2 years**

This Federal APD falls within the Pete and Bill Creek GAP. This document is currently being prepared for the Glenwood Springs BLM Office's review. The Surface Use Plan for this well will be the same as the SUP in the GAP document. The Drilling Plan for this well is attached which includes specific depths, casing and cementing, and the specific geology for each individual well.