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State of Colorado
Oil and Gas Conservation Commission

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Plugging Bond Surety

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APPLICATION FOR PERMIT TO:

1. ☒ Drill, ☐ Deepen, ☐ Re-enter, ☐ Recomplete and Operate

2. TYPE OF WELL

OIL ☐ GAS ☒ COALBED ☐ OTHER _____
SINGLE ZONE ☐ MULTIPLE ZONE ☒ COMMINGLE ZONE ☐

Refiling ☐

Sidetrack ☐

3. Name of Operator: NOBLE ENERGY INC

4. COGCC Operator Number: 100322

5. Address: 1625 BROADWAY STE 2200

City: DENVER State: CO Zip: 80202

6. Contact Name: KATE SHIRLEY Phone: (303)228-4449 Fax: (303)228-4286

Email: kshirley@nobleenergyinc.com

7. Well Name: WELLS RANCH USX AE Well Number: 31-10P

8. Unit Name (if appl): _____ Unit Number: _____

9. Proposed Total Measured Depth: 6800

WELL LOCATION INFORMATION

10. QtrQtr: NWSE Sec: 31 Twp: 6N Rng: 62W Meridian: 6

Latitude: 40.441250 Longitude: -104.363350

Footage at Surface: 1983 FNL/FSL FSL 1839 FEL/FWL FEL

11. Field Name: WATTENBERG Field Number: 90750

12. Ground Elevation: 4697 13. County: WELD

14. GPS Data:

Date of Measurement: 09/30/2009 PDOP Reading: 2.3 Instrument Operator's Name: John C. Barickman

15. If well is ☐ Directional ☐ Horizontal (highly deviated) **submit deviated drilling plan.**

Footage at Top of Prod Zone: FNL/FSL _____ FEL/FWL _____ Bottom Hole: FNL/FSL _____ FEL/FWL _____

Sec: _____ Twp: _____ Rng: _____ Sec: _____ Twp: _____ Rng: _____

16. Is location in a high density area? (Rule 603b)? ☐ Yes ☒ No

17. Distance to the nearest building, public road, above ground utility or railroad: 5280

18. Distance to nearest property line: 1839 ft 19. Distance to nearest well permitted/completed in the same formation: 1084 ft

20. LEASE, SPACING AND POOLING INFORMATION

Objective Formation(s)	Formation Code	Spacing Order Number(s)	Unit Acreage Assigned to Well	Unit Configuration (N/2, SE/4, etc.)
Codell	CODL		80	N2/SE4
Niobrara	NBRR		80	N/2SE4

21. Mineral Ownership: ☒ Fee ☐ State ☐ Federal ☐ Indian Lease #: _____

22. Surface Ownership: ☒ Fee ☐ State ☐ Federal ☐ Indian

23. Is the Surface Owner also the Mineral Owner? ☐ Yes ☒ No Surface Surety ID#: _____

23a. If 23 is Yes: Is the Surface Owner(s) signature on the lease? ☐ Yes ☐ No

23b. If 23 is No ☒ Surface Owners Agreement Attached or ☐ \$25,000 Blanket Surface Bond ☐ \$2,000 Surface Bond ☐ \$5,000 Surface Bond

24. Using standard QtrQtr, Sec, Twp, Rng format enter entire mineral lease description upon which this proposed wellsite is located (attach separate sheet/map if you prefer):
T6N-R62W-Section 31: ALL

25. Distance to Nearest Mineral Lease Line: 1839 ft 26. Total Acres in Lease: 640

DRILLING PLANS AND PROCEDURES

27. Is H2S anticipated? ☐ Yes ☒ No If Yes, attach contingency plan.

28. Will salt sections be encountered during drilling? ☐ Yes ☒ No

29. Will salt (>15,000 ppm TDS CL) or oil based muds be used during drilling? ☐ Yes ☒ No

30. If questions 27 or 28 are yes, is this location in a sensitive area (Rule 903)? ☐ Yes ☐ No If 28, 29, or 30 are "Yes" a pit permit may be required.

31. Mud disposal: ☒ Offsite ☐ Onsite

Method: ☒ Land Farming ☐ Land Spreading ☐ Disposal Facility Other: _____

Note: The use of an earthen pit for Recompletion fluids requires a pit permit (Rule 905b). If air/gas drilling, notify local fire officials.

Casing Type	Size of Hole	Size of Casing	Weight Per Foot	Setting Depth	Sacks Cement	Cement Bottom	Cement Top
SURF	12+1/4	8+5/8	24	500	210	500	0
1ST	7+7/8	4+1/2	11.6	6,800	600	6,800	

32. BOP Equipment Type: ☒ Annular Preventer ☐ Double Ram ☐ Rotating Head ☐ None

33. Comments No conductor casing will be used. The cement top for the first string will be 200' above Niobrara. The nearest building, public road, above ground utility or railroad is greater than 5,280 feet.

34. Location ID: _____

35. Is this application in a Comprehensive Drilling Plan ? ☐ Yes ☐ No

36. Is this application part of submitted Oil and Gas Location Assessment ? ☒ Yes ☐ No

I hereby certify all statements made in this form are, to the best of my knowledge, true, correct, and complete.

Signed: _____ Print Name: KATE SHIRLEY

Title: REGULATORY SPECIALIST Date: 12/4/2009 Email: kshirley@nobleenergyinc.com

Based on the information provided herein, this Application for Permit-to-Drill complies with COGCC Rules and applicable orders and is hereby approved.

COGCC Approved: David S. Neslin Director of COGCC Date: 1/14/2010

API NUMBER

05 123 31034 00

Permit Number: _____ Expiration Date: 1/13/2012

CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL, IF ANY:

All representations, stipulations and conditions of approval stated in the Form 2A for this location shall constitute representations, stipulations and conditions of approval for this Form 2 Permit-to-Drill and are enforceable to the same extent as all other representations, stipulations and conditions of approval stated in this Permit-to-Drill.

COGCC ENG COA 1) Provide 24 hr notice of spud to Colby Horton at 970-467-2517 or e-mail at colby.horton@state.co.us. 2) Set surface casing per Rule 317d, cement to surface. Setting surface casing less than the approved depth is a permit violation unless prior written approval is obtained from the COGCC. 3) If completed, provide cement coverage from TD to a minimum of 200' above Niobrara. Verify coverage with cement bond log. 4) If dry hole, 40 sks cement 50' above Niobrara top, 50 sks cement ½ out, ½ in surface casing, 10 sks cement top of surface casing, cut 4' below GL, weld on plate, 5 sks cement in rat hole & 5 sks cement in mouse hole. Restore surface location.

Attachment Check List

Att Doc Num	Name	Doc Description
1725442	SURFACE CASING CHECK	LF@2208693 1725442.00000
400020168	WELL LOCATION PLAT	LF@2197191 400020168
400020169	SURFACE AGRMT/SURETY	LF@2197193 400020169
400020170	30 DAY NOTICE LETTER	LF@2197195 400020170
400020177	FORM 2 SUBMITTED	LF@2197197 400020177

Total Attach: 5 Files