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State of Colorado
Oil and Gas Conservation Commission

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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: MARI CLARK Phone: (303)228-4413 Fax: (303)228-4286

Email: mclark@nobleenergyinc.com

7. Well Name: THISTLE DOWN B Well Number: 31-31D

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

9. Proposed Total Measured Depth: 7295

WELL LOCATION INFORMATION

10. QtrQtr: NWNW Sec: 31 Twp: 5N Rng: 64W Meridian: 6

Latitude: 40.361330 Longitude: -104.601210

Footage at Surface: 555 FNL/FSL FNL 233 FEL/FWL FWL

11. Field Name: WATTENBERG Field Number: 90750

12. Ground Elevation: 4763 13. County: WELD

14. GPS Data:

Date of Measurement: 05/14/2009 PDOP Reading: 2.9 Instrument Operator's Name: DAVID C HOLMES

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

Footage at Top of Prod Zone: FNL/FSL 1320 FNL 75 FWL FWL Bottom Hole: FNL/FSL 1320 FNL 75 FWL FWL
Sec: 31 Twp: 5N Rng: 64W Sec: 31 Twp: 5N Rng: 64W

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: 190 ft

18. Distance to nearest property line: 233 ft 19. Distance to nearest well permitted/completed in the same formation: 881 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	407-87	160	GWA
NIOBRARA	NBRR	407-87	160	GWA

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):
SEE ATTACHED

25. Distance to Nearest Mineral Lease Line: 75 ft 26. Total Acres in Lease: 5660

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	212	500	0
1ST	7+7/8	4+1/2	11.6	7,295	655	7,295	4,600

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

33. Comments NO CONDUCTOR CASING WILL BE USED. WELL WILL BE TWINNED WITH EXISTING THISTLE DOWN B31-21D. FORM 4 AS DRILLED SUNDRY HAS BEEN SUBMITTED. UNIT CONFIGURATION: W/2NW/4, SEC. 31 & E/2NE/4 SEC. 36, T5N, T65W. CEMENT TOP FOR 1ST STRING = 200' ABOVE NIOBRARA.

34. Location ID: 302546

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: MARI CLARK

Title: REGULATORY ANALYST II Date: 9/16/2009 Email: mclark@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: 11/24/2009

API NUMBER

05 123 30795 00

Permit Number: _____ Expiration Date: 11/23/2011

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.

1) Provide 24 hour notice of MIRU to Ed Binkley at 970-506-9834 or e-mail at ed.binkley@state.co.us. 2) Comply with Rule 317.i and provide cement coverage from TD to a minimum of 200' above Niobrara and from 200' below to 200' above Sussex. Verify coverage with cement bond log. 4) Comply with Rule 321. Run and submit Directional Survey from TD to base of surface casing. Ensure that the wellbore complies with setback requirements in commission orders or rules prior to producing the well.

MAST MUST NOT EXCEED 126' DUE TO CLOSE PROXIMITY TO PUBLIC ROAD OR ABOVE GROUND UTILITY/

Attachment Check List

Att Doc Num	Name	Doc Description
1691895	WELL LOCATION PLAT	LF@2150694 1691895
2097559	SURFACE CASING CHECK	LF@2158782 2097559
400005525	SURFACE AGRMT/SURETY	LF@2150549 400005525
400005526	30 DAY NOTICE LETTER	LF@2150550 400005526
400005527	DEVIATED DRILLING PLAN	LF@2150551 400005527
400005529	PROPOSED SPACING UNIT	LF@2150552 400005529
400005530	EXCEPTION LOC REQUEST	LF@2150553 400005530
400006753	PLAT	LF@2150554 400006753
400006754	LEGAL/LEASE DESCRIPTION	LF@2150555 400006754

Total Attach: 9 Files