

# BONANZA CREEK ENERGY OPERATING CO., LLC

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Colorado Oil and Gas Conservation Commission  
The Chancery Building  
1120 Lincoln Street, Suite 801  
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Attn: Mr. David Neslin, Director

**RE: Rule 303.L Request for accelerated Director Approval of Form 2 APDs and Form 2A, Oil and Gas Location Assessment, due to exigent circumstances.**

Antelope 24-19 and Antelope 34-19, to be drilled from a location in the SE4 SW4 of Section 19, T-5N, R-62W, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M., Weld County, Colorado

Mr. Neslin:

Bonanza Creek Energy Operating, LLC ("Bonanza Creek") intends to drill the above referenced oil and gas wells, to the Codell-Niobrara Formations. The surfacehole location for these wells is located within the SE4 SW4 GWA Window. The Antelope 34-19 well will twin the 24-19 well, using directional drilling methods, thereby adhering to the twinning rule (318A.c(1)) and established GWA window (318A.a.). The surface owner requested that Bonanza Creek drill wells associated with center pivots directionally, from multi-well pads, in order to avoid disturbing certain areas which are undergoing reclamation due to surface owner use of the land. Please note that 30 day notice letters have been received by the landowner, and 306 consultations have taken place. In order for Bonanza Creek to maintain its drilling schedule and use of the drilling rig currently on this project, as well as avoid unnecessary standby charges or loss of the drilling rig, Bonanza Creek respectfully requests the COGCC accelerate the processing of the APDs and Form 2A for these wells due to exigent circumstances. Bonanza Creek has obtained written permission in a waiver from the surface owner, as well as the LGD.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. Bonanza Creek respectfully requests that the COGCC review the enclosed information and approve the corresponding permits in accordance with Rule 303.L, Special Circumstance for permit issuance due to exigent circumstances.

Sincerely,

**BONANZA CREEK ENERGY OPERATING COMPANY, LLC**

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