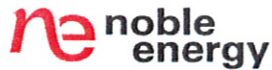


1625 Broadway
Suite 2000
Denver, CO 80202

Tel: 303.228.4000
Fax: 303.228.4280

www.nobleenergyinc.com



November 19, 2010

Colorado Oil and Gas Conservation Commission
The Chancery Building
1120 Lincoln Street, Suite 801
Denver, CO 80203

Attn: Mr. David Neslin, Director

RE: UPRC H17-99HZ
Niobrara New Drill
Township 3 North, Range 65 West, 6th P.M.
Section 16: SW/4SW/4: 1200' FSL & 155' FWL (Surface Location)
Section 17: SW/4SW/4: 1172' FSL & 543' FEL (Bottom Hole Location)
Weld County, Colorado

Mr. Neslin:

Noble Energy, Inc. ("NEI") is planning to drill the captioned boundary well in accordance with the provisions of COGCC Rule 318A.e.

NEI's proposed wellbore spacing unit consists of the S/2, T3N, R65W, creating a 320-acre wellbore spacing unit for the Niobrara formation. NEI is the only owner within the proposed wellbore spacing unit, therefore NEI hereby attests that no notice letters are required under COGCC Rule 318A.e.(6).

Enclosed are copies of the following documents to assist you in your review and approval of NEI's proposed APD for the captioned well:

- Plat illustrating the proposed wellbore spacing unit and number of Niobrara wells located within the existing 160-acre governmental quarter section(s) (SW/4) to be less than eight (8) in accordance with COGCC Rule 318A.f.
- Plat illustrating proposed wellbore spacing unit on existing location plat.

Thank you for your attention to the enclosed. NEI respectfully requests that the COGCC review the enclosed information and approve the Application for Permit to Drill the captioned well.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Susan Miller', written over a circular stamp.

Susan Miller
Regulatory Analyst II
Noble Energy Inc.