



July 12, 2010

Department of Natural Resources  
Oil and Gas Conservation Commission  
The Chancery Building  
1120 Lincoln St., Suite 801  
Denver, CO 80203

Re: Request for Exception to Rule 318A.a  
Request for Exception to Rule 318A.c  
RIVERBEND 5-18; RIVERBEND 6-13; RIVERBEND 7-13  
RIVERBEND 8-13; RIVERBEND 21-13; RIVERBEND 24-13  
RIVERBEND 25-13  
Township 1 North, Range 67 West  
Section 13: SW/4NE/4  
Weld County, Colorado

Ladies/Gentlemen:

Kerr-McGee Oil & Gas Onshore LP ("KMG") respectfully requests the Director approve an exception to Rule 318A.a to allow the above-named wells to be drilled at the above referenced location. Rule 318A.a of the Colorado Oil and Gas Commission's Rules and Regulations requires wells to be drilled/completed in a square with sides four hundred (400) feet in length, the center of which is the center of any quarter/quarter section or in the center of any quarter section with the four sides being (800) feet in length. The wells being permitted are an exception location at the request of the surface owner.

Under the Revised Rule 318A.c of the Colorado Oil and Gas Commission's Rules and Regulations, it requires any new twinning well to be located within 50 feet of an exiting well. The above referenced wells are more than 50 feet from the nearest oil and gas well.

Per Surface Use Agreement dated April 27, 2007, surface owner consent is given by Article 3.d. Should you have any questions, please contact our office. Thank you for your consideration.

Very truly yours,

Kerr-McGee Oil & Gas Onshore LP

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Cheryl Light', written over a horizontal line.

Cheryl Light  
Senior Regulatory Analyst