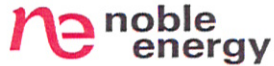


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Land Department

December 17, 2010

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RE: **Surface Exception Location Consent**
Directional Drilling Waiver
Well Set-Back (Twinning) Exception Consent
THOMPSON C33-69HN
Township 4 North, Range 64 West, 6th P.M.
Section 28: SW/4SW/4
Weld County, CO

Dear Mr. Guttersen:

Noble Energy, Inc. ("Noble") plans to drill the THOMPSON C33-69HN well (the "Well") at the referenced location which is more specifically described as 295 feet FSL, and 370 feet FWL which is outside the drilling window prescribed in Colorado Oil and Gas Conservation Commission ("COGCC") Rule 318A.a.(1).

By signing this letter you hereby grant your consent to Noble to locate the Well outside of a GWA window as defined in COGCC Rule 318A.a and waive the directional drilling requirement under Rule 318A.e. Additionally, the Well is being proposed at a surface location approximately 447 feet from an existing surface well location. By signing this letter you also grant your consent to Noble to locate the Well more than 50 feet from the existing well as provided for under COGCC Rule 318A.c.(2).

We would like to thank you for your assistance in this matter. If you have any questions do not hesitate to call me at (970) 785-5000.

NOBLE ENERGY, INC.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'B. DeRose'.

Brian DeRose

Box M Ranch, LLC

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'Art Guttersen'.

Art Guttersen

Date: 12-20-10