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Colorado Oil and Gas Conservation Commission
1120 Lincoln St, Ste 801
Denver, CO 80203
Attn: David Neslin

Re: Request to the Director for 318A.c Twinning Location Exception

French Lake 3-62-6-1B
Lot 4 Section 6, Township 3 North, Range 62 West, 6th P.M.
699' FSL 460' FWL
Weld County, Colorado

Mr. Neslin:

Marathon Oil Company ("Marathon") is proposing to drill the French Lake 3-62-6-1B well which is located 699' FSL 460' FWL Section 6, Township 3 North, Range 62 West, 6th P.M. to bottom hole location ("BHL") 460' FNL 460' FEL Section 6, Township 3 North, Range 62 West, 6th P.M. Marathon intends to test the Niobrara Formation.

According to Rule 318A(c), any new twinning well to be located greater than 50' of an existing well requires consent to the exception signed by the surface owner. The surface locations of Marathon's proposed wells (French Lake 3-62-6-1A & French Lake 3-62-6-1B) have been staked approximately 4081' from each other. It is Marathon's intention to only drill one of these wells.

Marathon respectfully requests approval of the exception location. Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Anna Walls'.

Anna Walls
Regulatory Compliance Representative
Marathon Oil Company