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Colorado State Land Board
Attn: Timothy Kelly
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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. Kelly:

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} within 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 1441' from each other. It is Marathon's intention to only drill one of these wells.

By signing this letter you hereby grant consent to Marathon for the requested exception to Rule 318A.c. Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Sincerely,

Anna Walls
Regulatory Compliance Representative

Surface Owner Signature

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