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Land Department

March 31, 2011

Donaldson Investments LLC  
3384 East Mulberry Street  
Fort Collins, Colorado 80524

RE: **Surface Exception Location Consent**  
**Directional Drilling Waiver**  
**Well Set-Back (Twinning) Exception Consent**  
DONALDSON USX EE29-12D  
Township 7 North, Range 65 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M.  
Section 29: SW/4NW/4  
Weld County, CO

Dear Mr. Donaldson:

Noble Energy, Inc. ("Noble") plans to drill the DONALDSON USX EE29-12D well (the "Well") at the referenced location which is more specifically described as 1,343 feet FNL, and 347 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 888 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.

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Mike Rodine

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Mike Donaldson, President

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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