

**APPLICATION FOR PERMIT TO:**

1.  **Drill,**       Deepen,       Re-enter,       Recomplete and Operate

**2. TYPE OF WELL**

OIL       GAS       COALBED       OTHER \_\_\_\_\_  
 SINGLE ZONE       MULTIPLE       COMMINGLE

Refiling   
 Sidetrack

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400178074

Plugging Bond Surety

20030009

3. Name of Operator: NOBLE ENERGY INC      4. COGCC Operator Number: 100322

5. Address: 1625 BROADWAY STE 2200  
 City: DENVER      State: CO      Zip: 80202

6. Contact Name: SUSAN MILLER      Phone: (303)228-4246      Fax: (303)228-4286  
 Email: smiller@nobleenergyinc.com

7. Well Name: RITCHEY USX      Well Number: WW27-04

8. Unit Name (if appl): \_\_\_\_\_      Unit Number: \_\_\_\_\_

9. Proposed Total Measured Depth: 8500

**WELL LOCATION INFORMATION**

10. QtrQtr: NWNW    Sec: 27    Twp: 1N    Rng: 66W    Meridian: 6  
 Latitude: 40.027230      Longitude: -104.769860

Footage at Surface:      829      feet      FNL/FSL      FNL      805      feet      FEL/FWL      FWL

11. Field Name: Wattenberg      Field Number: 90750

12. Ground Elevation: 5090      13. County: WELD

**14. GPS Data:**

Date of Measurement: 05/25/2011    PDOP Reading: 1.4    Instrument Operator's Name: Robert Daley

15. If well is  Directional     Horizontal (highly deviated)    **submit deviated drilling plan.**

Footage at Top of Prod Zone:    FNL/FSL      FEL/FWL      Bottom Hole:    FNL/FSL      FEL/FWL  
 \_\_\_\_\_      \_\_\_\_\_      \_\_\_\_\_      \_\_\_\_\_      \_\_\_\_\_  
 Sec: \_\_\_\_\_    Twp: \_\_\_\_\_    Rng: \_\_\_\_\_      Sec: \_\_\_\_\_    Twp: \_\_\_\_\_    Rng: \_\_\_\_\_

16. Is location in a high density area? (Rule 603b)?     Yes     No

17. Distance to the nearest building, public road, above ground utility or railroad: 484 ft

18. Distance to nearest property line: 516 ft    19. Distance to nearest well permitted/completed in the same formation: 1214 ft

**20. LEASE, SPACING AND POOLING INFORMATION**

Objective Formation(s)	Formation Code	Spacing Order Number(s)	Unit Acreage Assigned to Well	Unit Configuration (N/2, SE/4, etc.)
Codell	CODL	407-87	80	W/2NW/4
J Sand	JSND	232-23	320	W/2
Niobrara	NBRR	407-87	80	W/2NW4

21. Mineral Ownership:     Fee     State     Federal     Indian      Lease #: \_\_\_\_\_

22. Surface Ownership:     Fee     State     Federal     Indian

23. Is the Surface Owner also the Mineral Owner?     Yes     No      Surface Surety ID#: 20030012

23a. If 23 is Yes: Is the Surface Owner(s) signature on the lease?     Yes     No

23b. If 23 is No:  Surface Owners Agreement Attached or  \$25,000 Blanket Surface Bond  \$2,000 Surface Bond  \$5,000 Surface Bond

24. Using standard QtrQtr, Sec, Twp, Rng format enter entire mineral lease description upon which this proposed wellsite is located (attach separate sheet/map if you prefer):

T1N R66W Sec 27: ALL

25. Distance to Nearest Mineral Lease Line: 805 ft 26. Total Acres in Lease: 320

### DRILLING PLANS AND PROCEDURES

27. Is H2S anticipated?  Yes  No If Yes, attach contingency plan.

28. Will salt sections be encountered during drilling?  Yes  No

29. Will salt (>15,000 ppm TDS CL) or oil based muds be used during drilling?  Yes  No

30. If questions 28 or 29 are yes, is this location in a sensitive area (Rule 901.e)?  Yes  No

31. Mud disposal:  Offsite  Onsite

If 28, 29, or 30 are "Yes" a pit permit may be required.

Method:  Land Farming  Land Spreading  Disposal Facility Other: CLOSED LOOP

Note: The use of an earthen pit for Recompletion fluids requires a pit permit (Rule 905b). If air/gas drilling, notify local fire officials.

Casing Type	Size of Hole	Size of Casing	Wt/Ft	Csg/Liner Top	Setting Depth	Sacks Cmt	Cmt Btm	Cmt Top
SURF	12+1/4	8+5/8	24	0	1,400	569	1,400	0
1ST	7+7/8	4+1/2	11.6	0	8,500	842	8,500	

32. BOP Equipment Type:  Annular Preventer  Double Ram  Rotating Head  None

33. Comments Conductor casing will not be used. First string top of cement will be 200' above the Niobrara formation.

34. Location ID: \_\_\_\_\_

35. Is this application in a Comprehensive Drilling Plan ?  Yes  No

36. Is this application part of submitted Oil and Gas Location Assessment ?  Yes  No

I hereby certify all statements made in this form are, to the best of my knowledge, true, correct, and complete.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Print Name: SUSAN MILLER

Title: Regulatory Analyst II Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: smiller@nobleenergyinc.com

Based on the information provided herein, this Application for Permit-to-Drill complies with COGCC Rules and applicable orders and is hereby approved.

COGCC Approved: \_\_\_\_\_ Director of COGCC Date: \_\_\_\_\_

API NUMBER

05

Permit Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Expiration Date: \_\_\_\_\_

CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL, IF ANY: \_\_\_\_\_

All representations, stipulations and conditions of approval stated in the Form 2A for this location shall constitute representations, stipulations and conditions of approval for this Form 2 Permit-to-Drill and are enforceable to the same extent as all other representations, stipulations and conditions of approval stated in this Permit-to-Drill.

### Attachment Check List

Att Doc Num	Name
400178075	30 DAY NOTICE LETTER
400180245	WELL LOCATION PLAT

Total Attach: 2 Files

### General Comments

<u>User Group</u>	<u>Comment</u>	<u>Comment Date</u>

Total: 0 comment(s)

### BMP

<u>Type</u>	<u>Comment</u>
Storm Water/Erosion Control	Stormwater management plans (SWMP) are in place to address construction, drilling and operations associated with Oil & Gas development throughout the state of Colorado in accordance with Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment (CDPHE) and General Permit No. COR-038637. BMP's will be constructed around the perimeter of the site prior to, or at the beginning of construction. BMP's used will vary according to the location and will remain in place until the pad reaches final reclamation.
General Housekeeping	General housekeeping will consist of neat and orderly storage of materials and fluids. Wastes will be temporarily stored in sealed containers and regularly collected and disposed of at offsite, suitable facilities. If spills occur, prompt cleanup is required to minimize any commingling of waste materials with stormwater runoff. Routine maintenance will be limited to fueling and lubrication of equipment. Drip pans will be used during routine fueling and maintenance to contain spills or leaks. Any waste product from maintenance will be containerized and transported offsite for disposal or recycling. There will be no major equipment overhauls conducted onsite. Equipment will be transported offsite for major overhauls. Cleanup of trash and discarded materials will be conducted at the end of each work day. Cleanup will consist of patrolling the roadway, access areas, and other work areas to pick up trash, scrap debris, other discarded materials, and any contaminated soil. These materials will be disposed of properly.
Material Handling and Spill Prevention	Spill Prevention Control and Countermeasures (SPCC) plans are in place to address any possible spill associated with Oil & Gas operations throughout the state of Colorado in accordance with CFR 112.

Total: 3 comment(s)