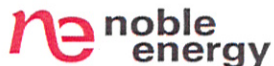


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January 5, 2011

Jerold J. Hoffman and Alice L. Hoffman
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RE: **Surface Exception Location Consent**
Directional Drilling Waiver
Well Set-Back (Twinning) Exception Consent
HOFFMAN C02-20D
Township 4 North, Range 64 West, 6th P.M.
Section 2: NE/4SW/4
Weld County, CO

Dear Jerold and Alice Hoffman:

Noble Energy, Inc. ("Noble") plans to drill the HOFFMAN C02-20D well (the "Well") at the referenced location which is more specifically described as 2,391 feet FSL, and 2,365 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 520 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 cursive script, reading 'Matthew Campbell'.

Matthew Campbell

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading 'Jerold Hoffman'.

Jerold Hoffman

Date: 1-15-11

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading 'Alice Hoffman'.

Alice Hoffman

Date: 1-15-11