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State of Colorado  
Oil and Gas Conservation Commission

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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 ☐

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: Justin Garrett Phone: (303)228-4449 Fax: (303)228-4286

Email: JDGarrett@nobleenergyinc.com

7. Well Name: Wells Ranch Well Number: AE08-68-1HN

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

9. Proposed Total Measured Depth: 11186

WELL LOCATION INFORMATION

10. QtrQtr: SWNW Sec: 8 Twp: 6N Rng: 62W Meridian: 6

Latitude: 40.504360 Longitude: -104.354950

Footage at Surface: 1485 feet FNL/FSL 273 feet FEL/FWL  
FNL FWL

11. Field Name: Wattenberg Field Number: 90750

12. Ground Elevation: 4987 13. County: WELD

14. GPS Data:

Date of Measurement: 02/08/2012 PDOP Reading: 1.3 Instrument Operator's Name: Wyatt Hall

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  
970 FNL 729 FWL 990 FNL 535 FEL  
Sec: 8 Twp: 6N Rng: 62W Sec: 8 Twp: 6N Rng: 62W

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: 5280 ft

18. Distance to nearest property line: 273 ft 19. Distance to nearest well permitted/completed in the same formation(BHL): 660 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.)
Niobrara	NBRR		320	GWA

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#:

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):

Noble Energy Inc. certifies that the lease(s) shall be committed to the unit. Please see attached.

25. Distance to Nearest Mineral Lease Line: 535 ft

26. Total Acres in Lease: 640

### 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
CONDUCTOR	18+1/2	16+0/0		0	100	6	100	0
SURF	13+3/4	9+5/8	36	0	720	360	720	0
1ST	8+3/4	7+0/0	26	0	7,179	502	7,179	
1ST LINER	6+1/8	4+1/2	11.6	6991	11,186			

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

33. Comments First String top of cement will be 200' above Niobrara formation. The production liner will be hung off inside 7" casing. Well is part of a four-well pad consisting of the proposed Wells Ranch AE08-66-1HN (Doc #400257777), Wells Ranch AE08-67-1HN (Doc #400257778), Wells Ranch AE08-68-1HN (Doc #400257779), & Wells Ranch AE08-69-1HN (Doc #400257780); multi-well plan attached. The production facilities for the proposed pad will be located 1155' S of the pad site and dedicated to both the Wells Ranch AE08-65-1HN Pad (Doc #400257781) & the Wells Ranch AE08-69-1HN Pad (Doc # 400257782). Unit Configuration = N/2.

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: Justin Garrett

Title: Regulatory Specialist

Date: 4/20/2012

Email: JDGarrett@nobleenergyinc.co

Operator must have a valid water right or permit allowing for industrial use or purchased water from a seller that has a valid water right or permit allowing for industrial use, otherwise an application for a change in type of use is required under Colorado law. Operator must also use the water in the location set forth in the water right decree or well permit, otherwise an application for a change in place of use is required under Colorado law. Section 37-92-103(5), C.R.S. (2011).

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: 5/25/2012

API NUMBER

05 123 35644 00

Permit Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Expiration Date: 5/24/2014

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.

Operator must meet water well sampling requirements as per Rule 318A.

- 1) Provide 48 hour notice of spud via electronic Form 42.
- 2) Set at least 720' of surface casing. Cement to surface.
- 3) Provide cement coverage from base of intermediate casing to a minimum of 200' above Niobrara. Verify coverage with cement bond log.
- 4) Run and submit Directional Survey from TD to base of surface casing. Ensure that the wellbore complies with setback requirements in commission orders or rules prior to producing the well.

### **Attachment Check List**

Att Doc Num	Name
400257779	FORM 2 SUBMITTED
400274775	DIRECTIONAL DATA
400274777	30 DAY NOTICE LETTER
400274780	DEVIATED DRILLING PLAN
400274782	PLAT
400274783	LEGAL/LEASE DESCRIPTION
400274784	MULTI-WELL PLAN
400274785	EXCEPTION LOC REQUEST
400274787	EXCEPTION LOC WAIVERS
400274788	PROPOSED SPACING UNIT

Total Attach: 10 Files

### **General Comments**

<b><u>User Group</u></b>	<b><u>Comment</u></b>	<b><u>Comment Date</u></b>
Permit	No LGD or public comment received; final review completed.	5/21/2012 12:52:49 PM
Permit	Changed distance to nearest well to 660 feet. This is the distance to proposed wellbores not yet approved.	4/20/2012 2:03:41 PM
Permit	Operator requests approval of Rule 318Aa exception location: Wellhead is to be located outside of a GWA drilling window. Waiver and exception request attached.	4/20/2012 1:40:37 PM

Total: 3 comment(s)

## **BMP**

<b><u>Type</u></b>	<b><u>Comment</u></b>
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.
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) 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	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 pickup trash, scrap debris, other discarded materials, and any contaminated soil. These materials will be disposed of properly.

Total: 3 comment(s)