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Colorado Oil and Gas Conservation Commission
The Chancery Building
1120 Lincoln Street, Suite 801
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Attn: Tom Kerr, Acting Director

RE: Request to the Director for 318A(I).a Surface Location Exception (Outside 318A Drilling Window)
Niobrara-Codell Well New Drill

Latham 21-1: NENW (1086' FNL, 2402' FWL) Sec 1-T4N-R63W, 6th PM, Weld County, CO

Mr. Kerr:

Bonanza Creek Energy, Inc. ("Bonanza") intends to drill the above referenced oil and gas well(s) to the Niobrara-Codell Formation from the well pad to be located as described above. The proposed locations is being permitted as an exception location due to the presence of existing surface features, including the Riverside Intake Canal and an irrigation canal, in the associated Wattenberg Window. Bonanza Creek has obtained written permission in a waiver from the surface owner.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. Bonanza respectfully requests that the COGCC review the enclosed information and approve the Exception Location Variance and Application for Permit to Drill the captioned well(s).

Sincerely,

BONANZA CREEK ENERGY, INC.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'Keith S. Caplan'.

Keith S. Caplan
Senior Operations Technician

enclosure