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Colorado Oil and Gas Conservation
Commission
The Chancery Building
1120 Lincoln Street, Suite 801
Denver, CO 80203

Attn: Mr. Matt Lepore, Director

Re: Request for Variance to Spacing Order 407-538
Antelope 41-44-31HZ
SHL: NENE (776' FNL, 548' FEL) Sec 31-5N-62W, 6TH PM
Top of Production: NENE (460' FNL, 500' FEL) Sec 31-5N-62W, 6TH PM
Bottom of Production: SESE (460' FSL, 500' FEL) Sec 31-5N-62W, 6TH PM
Weld County, Colorado

Mr. Lepore:

Bonanza Creek Energy, Inc. (Bonanza) intends to permit, drill and operate the referenced Niobrara Horizontal Well. The proposed well will have a Surface Hole Location and Production Interval in Section 31-T5N-R62W, Weld County, CO. The referenced section is included in spacing order 407-538, which was obtained by Bonanza.

The proposed well will encroach upon the following wells by less than 150 feet: Antelope 41-31, Antelope 42-31, Antelope 43-31, and Antelope 44-31. These four wells are owned and operated entirely by Bonanza.

Bonanza respectfully requests that you grant Bonanza a variance to the 150 foot spacing clause in the referenced order.

Please do not hesitate to call or email me, directly, at (720) 440-6112 or kcaplan@bonanzacrck.com, should you have any questions pertaining to this matter.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely,
BONANZA CREEK ENERGY, INC.
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