



December 13, 2012

Department of Natural Resources
Oil and Gas Conservation Commission
The Chancery Building
1120 Lincoln St., Suite 801
Denver, CO 80203

Re: Request for Exception to Rule 318A.a
RALPH 13C-19HZ, RALPH 13N-19HZ,
RALPH 34N-19HZ, RALPH 35C-19HZ
Township 1 North, Range 67 West
Section 19: NW/4NW/4
Weld County, Colorado

Ladies/Gentlemen:

Kerr-McGee Oil & Gas Onshore LP ("KMG") respectfully requests the Director approve an exception to Rule 318A.a to allow the above-referenced wells to be drilled at the above referenced location. Rule 318A.a of the Colorado Oil and Gas Commission's Rules and Regulations requires wells to be drilled/completed in a square with sides four hundred (400) feet in length, the center of which is the center of any quarter/quarter section or in the center of any quarter section with the four sides being (800) feet in length. The well being permitted is an exception location at the request of the surface owner.

KMG has obtained written permission from the surface owner. Should you have any questions, please contact our office. Thank you for your consideration.

Very truly yours,

Kerr-McGee Oil & Gas Onshore LP

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read 'Rebecca Heim', written over a horizontal line.

Rebecca Heim
Regulatory Analyst II