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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: **WELLS RANCH USX AA23-65-HN**  
Niobrara New Drill  
Township 6 North, Range 63 West, 6th P.M.  
Section 24: SW/4NW/4: 2186' FNL & 74' FWL (Surface Location)  
Section 23: SE/4NE/4: 2640' FNL & 726' FEL (Beginning of Lateral)  
Section 23: SW/4NW/4: 2640' FNL & 535' FWL (Bottom Hole Location)  
Weld County, Colorado

Dear Director:

Noble Energy, Inc. ("NEI") is planning to drill the captioned boundary well in accordance with the provisions of COGCC Rule 318A.e.

NEI's proposed wellbore spacing unit consists of the N/2S/2, S/2N/2 of Section 23, T6N, R63W, creating a 320-acre wellbore spacing unit for the Niobrara formation. NEI is the only owner within the proposed wellbore spacing unit, therefore NEI hereby attests that no notice letters are required under COGCC Rule 318A(l).e.(6).

Enclosed are copies of the following documents to assist you in your review and approval of NEI's proposed APD for the captioned well:

- Map & plat illustrating proposed wellbore spacing unit.

Thank you for your attention to the enclosed. NEI respectfully requests that the COGCC review the enclosed information and approve the Application for Permit to Drill the captioned well.

Sincerely,

Susan Miller  
Regulatory Analyst III  
Noble Energy Inc.