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Colorado Oil and Gas Conservation Commission  
1120 Lincoln Street, Suite 801  
Denver, CO 80203  
Attn: Mr. Matt Lepore, Director

RE: Request to the Director for 318A.a Surface Location Exception (Outside 318A Drilling Window)  
Bernhardt #18-7H  
Niobrara New Drills  
Township 4 North, Range 66 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M.  
Section 18: SWSW 512' FSL & 158' FWL (Surface Location)  
Weld County, Colorado

Dear Mr. Kerr:

K.P. Kauffman Inc. (KPK) is planning to drill the above mentioned well to the Niobrara formation(s).

The surface location of KPK's proposed well has been staked outside of the 318A.a drilling window. The location is being permitting as an exception location. KPK has obtained written permission contained in a Surface Use Agreement from the surface owner.

Thank you for your attention to the enclosed. KPK respectfully requests that the COGCC review the enclosed information and approve the requested exception location waivers and Application for Permit to Drill the captioned well.

Respectfully,



Susana Lara-Mesa  
Project Engineering Manager