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## State of Colorado

## Oil and Gas Conservation Commission

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## APPLICATION FOR PERMIT TO:

☒ Drill
 ☐ Deepen
 ☐ Re-enter
 ☐ Recomplete and Operate

Date Received:

10/30/2013

TYPE OF WELL OIL ☒ GAS ☐ COALBED ☐ OTHER \_\_\_\_\_Refilling ☐ZONE TYPE SINGLE ZONE ☒ MULTIPLE ZONES ☐ COMMINGLE ZONES ☐Sidetrack ☐

Well Name: RICO

Well Number: LC29-74-1HNA

Name of Operator: NOBLE ENERGY INC

COGCC Operator Number: 100322

Address: 1625 BROADWAY STE 2200

City: DENVER State: CO Zip: 80202

Contact Name: Susan Miller

Phone: (303)228-4246

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## RECLAMATION FINANCIAL ASSURANCE

Plugging and Abandonment Bond Surety ID: 20030009

## WELL LOCATION INFORMATION

QtrQtr: SWSE Sec: 29 Twp: 9N Rng: 59W Meridian: 6

Latitude: 40.714940

Longitude: -103.999940

Footage at Surface: 340 feet FNL/FSL FSL 2092 feet FEL/FWL FEL

Field Name: WILDCAT

Field Number: 99999

Ground Elevation: 4871

County: WELD

GPS Data:

Date of Measurement: 07/30/2013 PDOP Reading: 1.9 Instrument Operator's Name: Bradley Laman

If well is ☐ Directional ☒ Horizontal (highly deviated) submit deviated drilling plan.
 Footage at Top of Prod Zone: FNL/FSL FSL 1647 FEL 675 FNL 1650 FEL  
 Sec: 29 Twp: 9N Rng: 59W Sec: 20 Twp: 9N Rng: 59W

## LOCATION SURFACE &amp; MINERALS &amp; RIGHT TO CONSTRUCT

Surface Ownership: ☒ Fee ☐ State ☐ Federal ☐ IndianThe Surface Owner is: ☐ is the mineral owner beneath the location.  
(check all that apply) ☐ is committed to an Oil and Gas Lease.☐ has signed the Oil and Gas Lease.☐ is the applicant.The Mineral Owner beneath this Oil and Gas Location is: ☒ Fee ☐ State ☐ Federal ☐ Indian

The Minerals beneath this Oil and Gas Location will be developed by this Well: Yes

The right to construct the Oil and Gas Location is granted by: Surface Use Agreement

Surface damage assurance if no agreement is in place: Surface Surety ID:

## LEASE INFORMATION

Using standard QtrQtr, Sec, Twp, Rng format, describe one entire mineral lease that will be produced by this well (Describe lease beneath surface location if produced. Attach separate description page or map if necessary.)

T9N-R59W: Section 19: E/2; Section 20: All; Section 21: NW/4, W/2SW/4, W/2NE/4; Section 29: W/2, SW/4NE/4, W/2SE/4; Section 30: E/2E/2; Section 33: E/2SE/4; Section 34: SW and other leases.

Total Acres in Described Lease: 2120 Described Mineral Lease is: ☒ Fee ☐ State ☐ Federal ☐ Indian

Federal or State Lease # \_\_\_\_\_

Distance from Completed Portion of Wellbore to Nearest Lease Line of described lease: 0 Feet

## CULTURAL DISTANCE INFORMATION

Distance to nearest:

Building: 5280 Feet  
Building Unit: 5280 Feet  
High Occupancy Building Unit: 5280 Feet  
Designated Outside Activity Area: 5280 Feet  
Public Road: 5280 Feet  
Above Ground Utility: 5280 Feet  
Railroad: 5280 Feet  
Property Line: 340 Feet

### INSTRUCTIONS:

- All measurements shall be provided from center of the Proposed Well to nearest of each cultural feature as described in Rule 303.a.(5).  
- Enter 5280 for distance greater than 1 mile.  
- Building - nearest building of any type. If nearest Building is a Building Unit, enter same distance for both.  
- Building Unit, High Occupancy Building Unit, and Designated Outside Activity Area - as defined in 100-Series Rules.

## DESIGNATED SETBACK LOCATION INFORMATION

Check all that apply. This location is within a: ☐ Buffer Zone  
☐ Exception Zone  
☐ Urban Mitigation Area

- Buffer Zone – as described in Rule 604.a.(2), within 1,000' of a Building Unit  
- Exception Zone - as described in Rule 604.a.(1), within 500' of a Building Unit.  
- Urban Mitigation Area - as defined in 100-Series Rules.

Pre-application Notifications (required if location is within 1,000 feet of a building unit):

Date of Rule 305.a.(1) Urban Mitigation Area Notification to Local Government: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Rule 305.a.(2) Buffer Zone Notification to Building Unit Owners: \_\_\_\_\_

## SPACING and UNIT INFORMATION

Distance from Completed Portion of Wellbore to Nearest Wellbore Permitted or Completed in the same formation: 188 Feet

Distance from Completed Portion of Wellbore to Nearest Unit Boundary 675 Feet (Enter 5280 for distance greater than 1 mile.)

Federal or State Unit Name (if appl): \_\_\_\_\_ Unit Number: \_\_\_\_\_

## SPACING & FORMATIONS COMMENTS

Closest well measured = Trisha LC29-74HNB. Spacing Unit Configuration = T9N-R59W, Sec. 20: All, Sec. 28: All, Sec.29: All.

## OBJECTIVE FORMATIONS

Objective Formation(s)	Formation Code	Spacing Order Number(s)	Unit Acreage Assigned to Well	Unit Configuration (N/2, SE/4, etc.)
NIOBRARA	NBRR	535-376	1920	Sec. 20, 28, 29: All

## DRILLING PROGRAM

Proposed Total Measured Depth: 15482 Feet

Distance to nearest permitted or existing wellbore penetrating objective formation: 188 Feet (Including plugged wells)

Will a closed-loop drilling system be used? Yes

Is H<sub>2</sub>S gas reasonably expected to be encountered during drilling operations at concentrations greater than or equal to 100 ppm? No (If Yes, attach an H<sub>2</sub>S Drilling Operations Plan)

Will salt sections be encountered during drilling? No

Will salt based (>15,000 ppm Cl) drilling fluids be used? No

Will oil based drilling fluids be used? No

BOP Equipment Type: ☒ Annular Preventor ☒ Double Ram ☒ Rotating Head ☐ None

## GROUNDWATER BASELINE SAMPLING AND MONITORING AND WATER WELL SAMPLING

Water well sampling required per Rule 609

## DRILLING WASTE MANAGEMENT PROGRAM

Drilling Fluids Disposal: OFFSITE Drilling Fluids Disposal Methods: Recycle/reuse

Cuttings Disposal: OFFSITE Cuttings Disposal Method: Beneficial reuse

Other Disposal Description:

Beneficial reuse or land application plan submitted? Yes

Reuse Facility ID: \_\_\_\_\_ or Document Number: 2614238

## CASING PROGRAM

Casing Type	Size of Hole	Size of Casing	Wt/Ft	Csg/Liner Top	Setting Depth	Sacks Cmt	Cmt Btm	Cmt Top
CONDUCTOR	18+1/2	16	0	0	100	6	100	0
SURF	13+3/4	9+5/8	36	0	550	270	550	0
1ST	8+3/4	7	26	0	6436	440	6436	0
1ST LINER	6+1/8	4+1/2	11.6	6286	15482			

☐ Conductor Casing is NOT planned

## DESIGNATED SETBACK LOCATION EXCEPTIONS

Check all that apply:

- ☐ Rule 604.a.(1)A. Exception Zone (within 500' of Building Unit)
- ☐ Rule 604.b.(1)A. Exception Location (existing or approved Oil & Gas Location now within a Designated Setback as a result of Rule 604.a.)
- ☐ Rule 604.b.(1)B. Exception Location (existing or approved Oil & Gas Location is within a Designated Setback due to Building Unit construction after Location approval)
- ☐ Rule 604.b.(2) Exception Location (SUA or site-specific development plan executed on or before August 1, 2013)
- ☐ Rule 604.b.(3) Exception Location (Building Units constructed after August 1, 2013 within setback per an SUA or site-specific development plan)

## GREATER WATTENBERG AREA LOCATION EXCEPTIONS

Check all that apply:

- ☐ Rule 318A.a. Exception Location (GWA Windows).
- ☐ Rule 318A.c. Exception Location (GWA Twinning).

## RULE 502.b VARIANCE REQUEST

☐ Rule 502.b. Variance Request from COGCC Rule or Spacing Order Number \_\_\_\_\_

## OTHER LOCATION EXCEPTIONS

Check all that apply:

- ☐ Rule 318.c. Exception Location from Rule or Spacing Order Number \_\_\_\_\_
- ☐ Rule 603.a.(2) Exception Location (Property Line Setback).

ALL exceptions and variances require attached Request Letter(s). Refer to applicable rule for additional required attachments (e.g. waivers, certifications, SUAs).

## OPERATOR COMMENTS AND SUBMITTAL

Comments First string top of cement = 200' above the Niobrara formation. The production liner will be hung off inside of the 7" casing string.

This application is in a Comprehensive Drilling Plan \_\_\_\_\_ CDP #: \_\_\_\_\_

Location ID: \_\_\_\_\_

Is this application being submitted with an Oil and Gas Location Assessment application? Yes

I hereby certify all statements made in this form are, to the best of my knowledge, true, correct, and complete.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Print Name: Susan Miller

Title: Regulatory Analyst Date: 10/30/2013 Email: Regulatorynotification@noble

Operator must have a valid water right or permit allowing for industrial use or purchased water from a seller that has a valid water right or permit allowing for industrial use, otherwise an application for a change in type of use is required under Colorado law. Operator must also use the water in the location set forth in the water right decree or well permit, otherwise an application for a change in place of use is required under Colorado law. Section 37-92-103(5), C.R.S. (2011).

Based on the information provided herein, this Application for Permit-to-Drill complies with COGCC Rules and applicable orders and is hereby approved.

COGCC Approved:  Director of COGCC Date: 1/10/2014

Expiration Date: 01/09/2016

### API NUMBER

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## **Conditions Of Approval**

All representations, stipulations and conditions of approval stated in the Form 2A for this location shall constitute representations, stipulations and conditions of approval for this Form 2 Permit-to-Drill and are enforceable to the same extent as all other representations, stipulations and conditions of approval stated in this Permit-to-Drill.

### **COA Type**

### **Description**

	Operator acknowledges the proximity of the SW IGO #1 (123-11665) well. Operator agrees to: comply with the DJ Basin Horizontal Offset Policy to mitigate the situation, ensure all applicable documentation is submitted based on the selected mitigation option chosen, and submit a Form 42 ("OTHER – AS SPECIFIED BY PERMIT CONDITION") stating what appropriate mitigation occurred and that it has been completed, prior to the hydraulic stimulation of this well.
	Open hole resistivity and gamma logs shall be run to describe the stratigraphy of the entire well bore and to adequately verify the setting depth of surface casing and aquifer coverage. On a multi-well pad, these open hole logs are only required on one of the first wells drilled on the pad and the Form 5 for every well on the pad shall identify which well was logged.
	1) Provide 48 hour notice prior to spud via electronic Form 42. 2) Provide cement coverage to a minimum of 200' above Niobrara. Verify coverage with cement bond log. 3) Run and submit Directional Survey from TD to base of surface casing. Ensure that the wellbore complies with setback requirements in commission orders or rules prior to producing the well.

## Best Management Practices

<b>No</b>	<b>BMP/COA Type</b>	<b>Description</b>
1	General Housekeeping	General housekeeping will consist of neat and orderly storage of materials and fluids. Wastes will be temporarily stored in sealed containers and regularly collected and disposed of at offsite, suitable facilities. If spills occur, prompt cleanup is required to minimize any commingling of waste materials with stormwater runoff. Routine maintenance will be limited to fueling and lubrication of equipment. Drip pans will be used during routine fueling and maintenance to contain spills or leaks. Any waste product from maintenance will be containerized and transported offsite for disposal or recycling. There will be no major equipment overhauls conducted onsite. Equipment will be transported offsite for major overhauls. Cleanup of trash and discarded materials will be conducted at the end of each work day. Cleanup will consist of patrolling the roadway, access areas, and other work areas to pick up trash, scrap debris, other discarded materials, and any contaminated soil. These materials will be disposed of properly.
2	Storm Water/Erosion Control	Stormwater management plans (SWMP) are in place to address construction, drilling and operations associated with Oil & Gas development throughout the state of Colorado in accordance with Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment (CDPHE) and General Permit No. COR-038637. BMP's will be constructed around the perimeter of the site prior to, or at the beginning of construction. BMP's used will vary according to the location and will remain in place until the pad reaches final reclamation.
3	Material Handling and Spill Prevention	Spill Prevention Control and Countermeasures (SPCC) plans are in place to address any possible spill associated with Oil & Gas operations throughout the state of Colorado in accordance with CFR 112.
4	Drilling/Completion Operations	Anti-collision: Prior to drilling operations, Operator will perform an anti-collision scan of existing offset wells that have the potential of being within close proximity of the proposed well. This anti-collision scan will include definitive MWD or gyro surveys of the offset wells with included error of uncertainty per survey instrument, and compared against the proposed well path with its respective error of uncertainty. If current surveys do not exist for the offset wells, Operator may have gyro surveys conducted to verify bottomhole location. The proposed well will only be drilled if the anti-collision scan results indicate that there is not a risk for collision, or harm to people or the environment. For the proposed well, upon conclusion of drilling operations, an as-constructed gyro survey will be submitted to COGCC with the Form 5.

Total: 4 comment(s)

## Applicable Policies and Notices to Operators

Notice Concerning Operating Requirements for Wildlife Protection.

## Attachment Check List

<b>Att Doc Num</b>	<b>Name</b>
2157390	SURFACE AGRMT/SURETY
400500631	FORM 2 SUBMITTED
400500695	WELL LOCATION PLAT
400500696	DEVIATED DRILLING PLAN
400500697	DIRECTIONAL DATA
400503623	OFFSET WELL EVALUATION
400505782	DIRECTIONAL DATA

Total Attach: 7 Files

## General Comments

<u>User Group</u>	<u>Comment</u>	<u>Comment Date</u>
Permit	No LGD or public comments. Final Review--passed.	1/9/2014 8:33:15 AM
Permit	Oper. submitted SUA and corrected dist. to nearest well.	12/18/2013 7:39:44 AM
Permit	Oper. submitting SUA: correct right to construct. Need corrected dist. to permitted well.	12/16/2013 8:43:44 AM
Engineer	On December 4, 2013 operator representative (SMiller@nobleenergyinc.com) revised mitigation to OPTION 3: RE-ENTER & RE-PLUG for the SW IGO #1 (123-11665) well.	12/5/2013 6:11:30 PM
Permit	Per oper. unchecked boxes indicating surface owner signed and is committed to lease. Per oper. corrected dist. to unit boundary. Corrected distances to DOAA & HOBUE.	12/2/2013 10:24:57 AM
Engineer	On Hold - Wells within 1500' of the proposed directional plan lack adequate formation isolation: SW IGO #1 (123-11665): (lacks aquifer and Nbr isolation) Emailed operator rep: (smiller@nobleenergyinc.com), (11/25/13)	11/25/2013 11:37:49 AM
Permit	This form has passed completeness.	10/31/2013 3:00:51 PM
Permit	Returned to draft: If the surface owner is not the mineral owner then the right to constrict cannot be the O&G lease. Please change to bond and provide the bond #. Remove the extra verbiage pertaining to the lease. needs Directional Drilling data uploaded.	10/31/2013 1:15:02 PM

Total: 8 comment(s)