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State of Colorado, Oil & Gas Conservation Commission
Attn: Matt Lepore
1120 Lincoln Street, Suite 801
Denver, CO 80203

Re: **Letter to the Director, Rule 318A.m.**
Becker Ranch 5U-203
NENE, Section 5, T3N, R64W
Weld County, Colorado

Dear Director:

Per rule 318A.m., PDC Energy, Inc. ("PDC") is requesting an exception to the rule for the above-captioned well. The proposed well will be less than 150' to Guttersen D04-31D (API # 123-33987, NWNE) which are located in Section 4 T3N R64W and operated by PDC. Waiver from the operator of the offset well(s) is attached.

Proposed Anti-Collision Mitigation BMP:

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 wellpath 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.

Due to the reasons above, PDC respectfully requests that you approve this request. If you have any questions, please contact the undersigned at 303-860-5800 or at julie.webb@pdce.com.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Julie Webb".

Julie Webb
Regulatory Analyst
PDC Energy, Inc.

318A.m. Minimum Intrawell Distance Waiver

PDC Energy, as Operator of the following well:

Becker Ranch 5U-203

Section 5 T3N R64W 6th PM

Weld County, Colorado

Hereby requests a 318A.m. Minimum Intrawell Distance Waiver from NOBLE ENERGY, INC.

RULE 318(l)A.m. states: No horizontal wellbore lateral shall be located less than one hundred fifty (150) feet from any existing or permitted oil or gas wellbore as illustrated in the directional survey for drilled wellbores or as illustrated in the deviated drilling plan for permitted wellbores or as otherwise reflected in the COGCC well records. This requirement may be waived in writing by the operator of the encroached upon well.

The Becker Ranch 5U-203 will come within 150' of Guttersen D04-31D (API # 123-33987, NWNE) which is located in Section 4 T3N R64W and operated by Noble Energy, Inc. ("Noble"). Noble hereby waives any requirements to comply with COGCC Rule 318A.m. for the subject well.


Signature _____ CS NSC

Name Gerald T. Sullivan Sr. Land Negotiator Advisor

Title

2/21/2014

Date