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COGCC  
ATTN: Matt LePore, Director  
1120 Lincoln Street, Suite 810  
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RE: Request for Exception Location  
Elm Ridge Exploration, IGE 130 well  
NW/4SW/4 Sec. 9, T33N, R8W, N.M.P.M.  
La Plata County, Colorado

Dear Mr. LePore,

Elm Ridge Exploration Company, LLC proposes to drill the subject well under Spacing Order 112-195 on an existing well pad in order to minimize surface disturbance..

There is a building unit on the subject tract that is occupied by the surface owners. This Building Unit is located 334' from the surface location. There are also a buildings high lie 229' and 452' from the surface location. Additionally, there is a septic lagoon which lies 150' from the surface location. These structures and the lagoon lie within an Exception zone under Rule 604.a.(1)A.

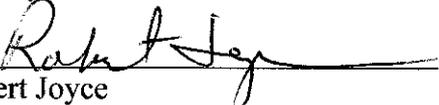
Under Waiver dated January 25, 2014, the surface owner has granted waivers of the following:

The five hundred (500) foot location setback requirement under COGCC Rule 604 a.(1)A.i.  
The one thousand (1000) foot location setback requirement under COGCC Rule 604 a.(1)B(2).

Elm Ridge Exploration Company, LLC respectfully requests that an exception to setback distance requirements be granted under Rule 604.b.(1)A and Rule 604.b.(2).

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

  
Robert Joyce  
Agent: Elm Ridge Exploration Company, LLC