



April 17, 2014

Colorado Oil and Gas Conservation Commission
Attn: Matthew Lepore – Director
1120 Lincoln St., Suite 801
Denver, CO 80203

RE: **Request for Exception to Rule 604.a Setback Requirements**
Existing GM 313-12 Oil and Gas Location
Township 7 South, Range 96 West, 6th P.M.
Section 12: NW¼SW¼
Garfield County, Colorado

Dear Mr. Lepore,

Colorado Oil and Gas Conservation Commission (“COGCC”) Rule 604.b.(1) states:

- (1) Existing Oil and Gas Locations. The Director may grant an exception to setback distance requirements set forth in rule 604 within a Designated Setback Location when a Well or Production Facility is proposed to be added to an existing or approved Oil and Gas Location if the Director determines alternative locations outside the applicable setback are technically or economically impracticable; mitigation measures imposed in the Form 2 or Form 2A will eliminate, minimize or mitigate noise, odors, light, dust, and similar nuisance conditions to the extent reasonably achievable; the proposed location complies with all other safety requirements of these Commission Rules; and:*
- A. An existing or approved Oil and Gas Location is within a Designated Setback Location solely as a result of the adoption of Rule 604.a., above, which established the Designated Setback Locations; or*
- B. The Oil and Gas Location is located within a Designated Setback Location solely as a result of Building Units constructed after the Oil and Gas Location was approved by the Director.*

Due to the GM 313-12 being an existing Oil and Gas Location that is now located within a Designated Setback Location solely as a result of the adoption of Rule 604.a., WPX Energy Rocky Mountain, LLC asks that the COGCC grant an exception to the setback requirements set forth in Rule 604.a.

Sincerely,

WPX Energy Rocky Mountain, LLC

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Bryan S. Hotard".

Bryan S. Hotard
Field Land Team Lead – Piceance Basin