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COGCC  
1120 Lincoln Street, Suite 801  
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Re: Operator Request Letter to Rule 318A.m.  
Gustafson EF 31-373HC  
Section 31, Township 7 North, Range 65 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M.  
Weld County, Colorado

Dear Director:

Great Western Operating Company is applying for a drilling permit for the above captioned well. As currently planned, the wellbore(s) of the following well(s) will lie within 150 feet of the horizontal lateral of the captioned well: **Gustafson 31-21 API# 05-123-25567**

Prior to drilling operations, the Operator will perform an anti-collision review of existing offset wells that have the potential of being within close proximity of the proposed well. This anti-collision review may include MWD or gyro surveys and surface locations 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 BHL. The proposed well will only be drilled if the anti-collision review results indicate that the risk of collision is sufficiently low as defined by the anti-collision plan, with separation factors greater than 1.5, or if the risk of collision has been mitigated through other means including shutting in wells, plugging wells, increased drilling fluid in the event of lost returns or as is appropriate for the specific situation. In the event of an increased risk of collision, that risk will be mitigated to prevent harm to people, the environment or property. For the proposed well, upon conclusion of drilling operations, an as-constructed directional survey will be submitted to COGCC with the Form 5.

Rule 318A.m of the Colorado Oil and Gas Commission's Rules and Regulations does not allow horizontal wells to be drilled within 150' of other wells unless this requirement is waived by the Operator of the encroached upon well(s). As operator of the above mentioned well, Great Western Operating Company respectfully requests the Director to accept this Operator Request Letter to allow the above referenced well to be drilled within 150' of the well(s) listed above.

Sincerely,

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