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Oil and Gas Conservation Commission

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APPLICATION FOR PERMIT TO:

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

TYPE OF WELL OIL ☒ GAS ☐ COALBED ☐ OTHER _____

Refilling ☐

ZONE TYPE SINGLE ZONE ☒ MULTIPLE ZONES ☐ COMMINGLE ZONES ☐

Sidetrack ☐

Well Name: Minutemen Federal

Well Number: LC21-615

Name of Operator: NOBLE ENERGY INC

COGCC Operator Number: 100322

Address: 1625 BROADWAY STE 2200

City: DENVER State: CO Zip: 80202

Contact Name: Justin Garrett

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RECLAMATION FINANCIAL ASSURANCE

Plugging and Abandonment Bond Surety ID: 20030009

WELL LOCATION INFORMATION

QtrQtr: SWSW Sec: 22 Twp: 9N Rng: 59W Meridian: 6

Latitude: 40.731130

Longitude: -103.972040

Footage at Surface: 825 feet FNL/FSL FSL 400 feet FEL/FWL FWL

Field Name: WILDCAT

Field Number: 99999

Ground Elevation: 4877

County: WELD

GPS Data:

Date of Measurement: 04/22/2014 PDOP Reading: 1.7 Instrument Operator's Name: Todd Bakeberg

If well is ☐ Directional ☒ Horizontal (highly deviated) submit deviated drilling plan.

Footage at Top of Prod Zone: FNL/FSL FEL/FWL Bottom Hole: FNL/FSL FEL/FWL

330 FSL 327 FEL 330 FSL 330 FWL
Sec: 21 Twp: 9N Rng: 59W Sec: 21 Twp: 9N Rng: 59W

LOCATION SURFACE & MINERALS & RIGHT TO CONSTRUCT

Surface Ownership: ☒ Fee ☐ State ☐ Federal ☐ Indian

The 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: No

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 Sec 21: NW/4, W/2NE/4, W/2SW/4; Sec 30: E/2E/2

Total Acres in Described Lease: 480 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: 4464 Feet

Above Ground Utility: 402 Feet

Railroad: 5280 Feet

Property Line: 400 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 proposed wellbore to nearest completed portion of offset wellbore permitted or completed in the same formation: 440 Feet

Distance from Completed Portion of Wellbore to Nearest Unit Boundary 330 Feet (Enter 5280 for distance greater than 1 mile.)

Federal or State Unit Name (if appl): _____ Unit Number: _____

SPACING & FORMATIONS COMMENTS

Spacing Unit also contains Federal Minerals: COC75063

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 | 535-680 | 640 | Sec 21: All |

DRILLING PROGRAM

Proposed Total Measured Depth: 11001 Feet

Distance from proposed wellbore to nearest existing or permitted wellbore belonging to another operator:

1044 Feet (Including plugged wells)

Will a closed-loop drilling system be used? Yes

Is H₂S gas reasonably expected to be encountered during drilling operations at concentrations greater than or equal to 100 ppm? No (If Yes, attach an H₂S 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: Land application

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 | 26 | 16 | | 0 | 80 | 6 | 80 | 0 |
| SURF | 13+1/2 | 9+5/8 | 36 | 0 | 550 | 235 | 550 | 0 |
| 1ST | 8+3/4 | 7 | 26 | 0 | 6387 | 520 | 6387 | |
| S.C. 1.1 | | | | | 1560 | 85 | 1560 | 1060 |
| 1ST LINER | 6+1/8 | 4+1/2 | 11.6 | 6237 | 11001 | | | |

☐ 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 1st string top of cement is 200' above Niobrara. The production liner will be hung off inside 7" casing. This well is part of a three-well pad consisting of the Minutemen Federal LC21-615 (Doc #400857480), Minutemen Federal LC21-620 (Doc #400893760), & Minutemen Federal LC21-625 (Doc #400893761). The production facility will be permitted as part of the LC22-04 Multi disturbance (Doc #400924647). The nearest well is the proposed Minutemen Federal LC21-620. The nearest non-operated well is the SW IGO #1 (API: 123-11665), (Rock Oil Corp.). Noble Energy shall isolate the Upper Pierre Aquifer from the Fox Hills Aquifer with surface casing and cement and utilize intermediate casing and cement to ensure isolation from below.

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: Justin Garrett

Title: Regulatory Analyst Date: 10/27/2015 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: Matthew Lee Director of COGCC Date: 2/17/2016

Expiration Date: 02/16/2018

API NUMBER

05 123 42787 00

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

- 1) Provide 48 hour notice of MIRU via electronic Form 42.
- 2) Provide stage cement on 1st string from 1560' to 1060' (U.Prre. WW Receipt #3662426 within 2 miles). Verify with cement bond log. Otherwise set 1560' of surface casing.
- 3) Provide cement coverage to a minimum of 200' above Niobrara. Verify with cement bond log.

Best Management Practices

| No | BMP/COA Type | Description |
|-----------|--|---|
| 1 | General Housekeeping | 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 pickup 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) 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 and maintained 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 | If a skid is performed for the subject well, then the only required BOPE tests are for the BOPE connection bonnet seal breaks, as long as a full BOPE test was performed at the beginning of the pad, and as long as all necessary BOPE tests are completed at least every 30 days during the pad operations. If a skid is performed for the subject well, then the only required BOPE tests are for the BOPE connection bonnet seal breaks, as long as a full BOPE test was performed at the beginning of the pad, and as long as all necessary BOPE tests are completed at least every 30 days during the pad operations. |
| 5 | Drilling/Completion Operations | When Running an Open Hole Log on the Pad: One of the first wells drilled on the pad will be logged with open hole Resistivity Log and Gamma Ray Log from the kick-off point into the surface casing. All wells on the pad will have a cement bond log with gamma-ray run on production casing (or on intermediate casing if production liner is run) into the surface casing. The horizontal portion of every well will be logged with a measured-while-drilling gamma-ray log. The Form 5, Completion Report, for each well on the pad will list all logs run and have those logs attached. The Form 5 for a well without open-hole logs shall clearly state "No open-hole logs were run" and shall clearly identify (by API#, well name & number) the well in which open hole logs were run. |

Total: 5 comment(s)

Attachment Check List

| Att Doc Num | Name |
|--------------------|----------------------------|
| 400851480 | FORM 2 SUBMITTED |
| 400894301 | OffsetWellEvaluations Data |
| 400925617 | SURFACE AGRMT/SURETY |
| 400925624 | DIRECTIONAL DATA |
| 400925625 | WELL LOCATION PLAT |
| 400925626 | DEVIATED DRILLING PLAN |

Total Attach: 6 Files

General Comments

| <u>User Group</u> | <u>Comment</u> | <u>Comment Date</u> |
|-------------------|---|--------------------------|
| Permit | Final review complete. | 2/16/2016 9:41:04 AM |
| Permit | Related multi pad facility 2A was referenced by an incorrect name and document number in the operator comments. Corrections were verified with operator and the comment updated. | 1/20/2016 8:12:36 AM |
| Permit | Surface owner (SO) check boxes and distance to nearest unit boundary have been corrected. Permitting task complete. Waiting on related multi-well production facility which is ON HOLD until 1/29/16. | 1/12/2016 3:12:39 PM |
| Permit | Waiting on operator to approve the following corrections: -Surface owner (SO) is mineral owner (MO), has signed a lease, and is committed should be checked. -Distance of completed wellbore to nearest unit boundary is suspect, should be 330'. | 1/12/2016 2:42:21 PM |
| Engineer | Added stage cement on 1st string from 1560' to 1060', 85 sx (30% excess with 1.15 cf/sk yield). Evaluated existing wells within 1500' of proposed directional. | 11/16/2015 3:49:03 PM |
| Permit | Passed completeness. | 10/29/2015 9:58:08 AM |

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