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NOTICE OF ALLEGED VIOLATION - ISSUED

Per Rule 522, the Director has reasonable cause to believe that a violation of the Act, or of any Commission rule, order, or permit has occurred, the Director will require the operator to remedy the violation and may commence an enforcement action seeking penalties by issuing a Notice of Alleged Violation (NOAV). Per Rule 523, an operator who violates the Act, or a Commission rule, order, or permit may be subject to a penalty imposed by Commission order.

OPERATOR INFORMATION

OGCC Operator Number: 100322
Name of Operator: NOBLE ENERGY INC
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City: DENVER State: CO Zip: 80202
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Name: Scott Park
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Well Location, or Facility Information (if applicable):

API Number: 05-123-11886-00 Facility or Location ID:
Name: DOLL Number: 23-1
QtrQtr: SENW Sec: 23 Twp: 5N Range: 65W Meridian: 6
County: WELD

ALLEGED VIOLATION

Rule: 308B
Rule Description: Completed Interval Report
Initial Discovery Date: Was this violation self-reported by the operator? No
Date of Violation: Approximate Time of Violation:
Was this a discrete violation of obvious duration? No

Description of Alleged Violation:

Pursuant to Rule 308B, Noble Energy Inc (Operator) is required to submit a Completed Interval Report, Form 5A, within 30 days after a formation is temporarily abandoned (TA). Operator set a bridge plug and temporarily abandoned the Doll #23-1 well, API 123-11886, on May 2, 2014 and should have submitted a Form 5A by June 2, 2014. Operator failed to submit a Form 5A until August 28, 2015, Document #400884429, which was unapprovable and returned to draft by COGCC staff. On February 1, 2016, Operator resubmitted Document #400884429 which also requires a wireline ticket for the bridge plug or an operations summary to be approvable. To date an approvable Form 5A has not been submitted, violating Rule 308B.

Abatement or Corrective Action Required to be Performed by Operator: Corrective Action Due Date: 10/24/2016

Proper and timely abatement does not preclude the assessment of penalties and an Order Finding Violation.

Operator shall submit a Sundry Notice, Form 4, detailing how it will implement internal procedures to insure approvable Form 5A submissions are timely submitted in the future. Operator shall also resubmit the Form 5A, Document #400884429, with either a wireline ticket for the bridge plug or an operations summary attached. These submissions shall be made as soon as possible, but no later than October 24, 2016.

Rule: 319.b
Rule Description: Temporary Abandonment
Initial Discovery Date: Was this violation self-reported by the operator? No
Date of Violation: Approximate Time of Violation:
Was this a discrete violation of obvious duration? No

Description of Alleged Violation:

Pursuant to Rule 319.b., if a well is TA for more than six (6) months, Operator is required to make a request to COGCC stating the reason for the request for continued temporary abandonment (TA) status and the plans for future operation. A Sundry Notice, Form 4, is required annually to request continued TA status and state the last successful MIT date, a brief statement of future plans for the well and a declaration of how the well is closed to the atmosphere. Operator temporarily abandoned the Doll #23-1 well, API 123-11886, on May 2, 2014 and should have requested continued TA status by November 2, 2014 and again in November 2015. Operator failed to submit a Sundry Notice, Form 4, requesting continued TA status until February 15, 2016 (Document #400967583), violating Rule 319.b.

Abatement or Corrective Action Required to be Performed by Operator: _____ Corrective Action Due Date: 10/24/2016

Proper and timely abatement does not preclude the assessment of penalties and an Order Finding Violation.

Operator shall submit a Sundry Notice, Form 4, detailing how it will implement internal procedures to insure requests for continued TA status are timely submitted in the future.

PENALTY

Penalties for violations alleged in this NOAV will be calculated pursuant to Rule 523, with daily penalties accruing pursuant to Section 34-60-121(1), C.R.S.

ANSWER

Pursuant to Rule 522.d.(2), the operator must file an Answer to this NOAV within 28 days of its receipt, or a default judgement may be entered. Hard copy answers are filed with the Commission Secretary at the Commission's Denver office and should also be emailed to dnr_cogccenforcement@state.co.us.

NOAV ISSUED

NOAV Issue Date: 09/22/2016
COGCC Representative Signature: _____
COGCC Representative: Barbara Westerdale Title: Permit/Completion Supervi
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CORRECTIVE ACTION COMPLETED

Rule: 308B
Rule Description: Completed Interval Report
Corrective Action Start Date: _____ Corrective Action Complete Date: _____
Has corrective action for this violation been performed as required? _____
Description of Actual Corrective Action Performed by Operator

Rule: 319.b
Rule Description: Temporary Abandonment
Corrective Action Start Date: _____ Corrective Action Complete Date: _____
Has corrective action for this violation been performed as required? _____
Description of Actual Corrective Action Performed by Operator

FINAL RESOLUTION

Cause #: _____ Order #: _____ Docket #: _____
Enforcement Action: _____ Final Resolution Date: _____
Final Resolution Comments:

ATTACHMENT LIST

View Attachments in Imaged Documents on COGCC website (<http://ogccweblink.state.co.us/>) - Search by Document Number.

<u>Document Number</u>	<u>Description</u>
401117156	NOAV COVER LETTER
401117164	NOAV CERTIFIED MAIL RECEIPT
401117227	NOAV ISSUED

Total Attach: 3 Files