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Exception Location Waiver - COGCC Wattenberg Window and Twinning Rules (318A.a, 318A.c.)

State North Platte F-26 Pad NWNW of Section 26, T5N, R63W, 6th PM, Weld County, Colorado

North Platte E-A-23HNC (681 FNL, 1121 FWL)	Document 401110470
North Platte J14-F11-23HC (721 FNL, 1121 FWL)	Document 401110471
North Platte J-F-23HNB (741 FNL, 1121 FWL)	Document 401110472
North Platte O24-K21-23HNB (781 FNL, 1121 FWL)	Document 401110473
State North Platte A11-E14-26HNC (761 FNL, 1241 FWL)	Document 401110475
State North Platte A-E-26HNB (741 FNL, 1241 FWL)	Document 401110476
State North Platte F21-J24-26HNC (781 FNL, 1241 FWL)	Document 401110477
North Platte 24-21-23HNC (761 FNL, 1121 FWL)	Document 401110478
North Platte E14-A11-23HNB (701 FNL, 1121 FWL)	Document 401110479

Director Lepore:

Bonanza Creek Energy Operating Company LLC (“Bonanza”) intends to drill the above referenced horizontal oil and gas wells to the Niobrara Formation from a well pad to be located as described above. The surface locations of the proposed wells have been staked outside of a 318A.a Greater Wattenberg Area (GWA) drilling window and are being permitted as exception locations, in an effort to optimize the lateral length of the associated horizontal wells. Bonanza has obtained written permission in a waiver from the owner.

Additionally, under Rule 318A.c, any new twinning well is to be located within 50 feet of an existing well. Bonanza has obtained permission, contained in a waiver from the surface owner, to locate the proposed wellhead greater than 50 feet from an existing well.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. Bonanza respectfully requests that the COGCC review the enclosed information and approve the Exception Location Variance and Application for Permit to Drill the captioned wells.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'Julie L. Vigil'.

Julie L. Vigil
Sr. Regulatory Specialist

BONANZA CREEK ENERGY OPERATING COMPANY LLC