



MINERAL RESOURCES, INC.

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October 10, 2006

Noble Energy Production, Inc.
1625 Broadway
Suite 2000
Denver, CO 80202



Attention: P. David Padgett
Manager of Lands

RE: Request for Waiver of Rule 318A e.(6)B ✓
HWY 34-1 Well (boundary well)
Township 5 North, Range 65 West
Section 21: NW Corner
Weld County, Colorado

Dear David:

Mineral Resources, Inc. respectfully requests that Noble Energy Production, Inc., as an owner of leasehold interest in the NE/4NE/4 of Section 20, T5N-R65W, Weld County, Colorado, waive the 20 ✓ day notice required by Colorado Oil and Gas Conservation Commission ("COGCC") Rule 318Ae.(6)B to be given to all owners within the proposed wellbore spacing unit for the HWY 34-1 Well.

The HWY 34-1 Well will be a Greater Wattenberg Area infill "Boundary well" as defined in COGCC Rule 318Ae.(2). The HWY 34-1 will be directionally drilled to the Niobrara and Codell formations from a surface location 311' from the North line and 760' from the East line of Section 20, ✓ T5N-R65W, to a bottom hole location 50' from the North line and 50' from the West line of Section 21, T5N-R65W. The four governmental quarter-quarter sections which comprise the proposed wellbore spacing unit for this well are:

DPB
10.11.2006

HWY 34-1 Niobrara/Codell Wellbore Spacing Unit:

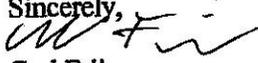
- SW/4 – Section 16 – Township 5 North, Range 65 West
- SE/4 – Section 17 – Township 5 North, Range 65 West
- NE/4 – Section 20 – Township 5 North, Range 65 West
- NW/4 – Section 21 – Township 5 North, Range 65 West ✓

Weld County, Colorado



For the purposes of the limitation of producing completions in the "J" Sand, Codell and Niobrara formations to no more than eight (8) per governmental quarter-quarter section set forth in COGCC Rule 318Af., the HWY 34-1 Well will be designated as a well located in the NW/4 of Section 21, T5N-R65W.

Please have this letter signed on behalf of Noble Energy Production, Inc. to show that Noble, as an Owner (as defined in the Rules and Regulations of the COGCC) within the wellbore spacing unit for the HWY 34-1 Well, waives the twenty day notice required under COGCC Rule 318Ae.(6)B.

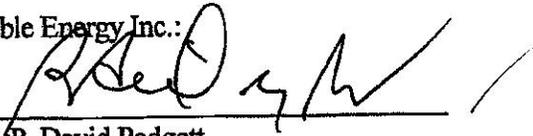
Sincerely,

Carl Friis
Consultant

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Noble Energy, Inc. hereby waives the twenty day notice required under COGCC Rule 318Ae.(6)B for the HWY 34-1 Well, as described above.

Noble Energy Inc.:

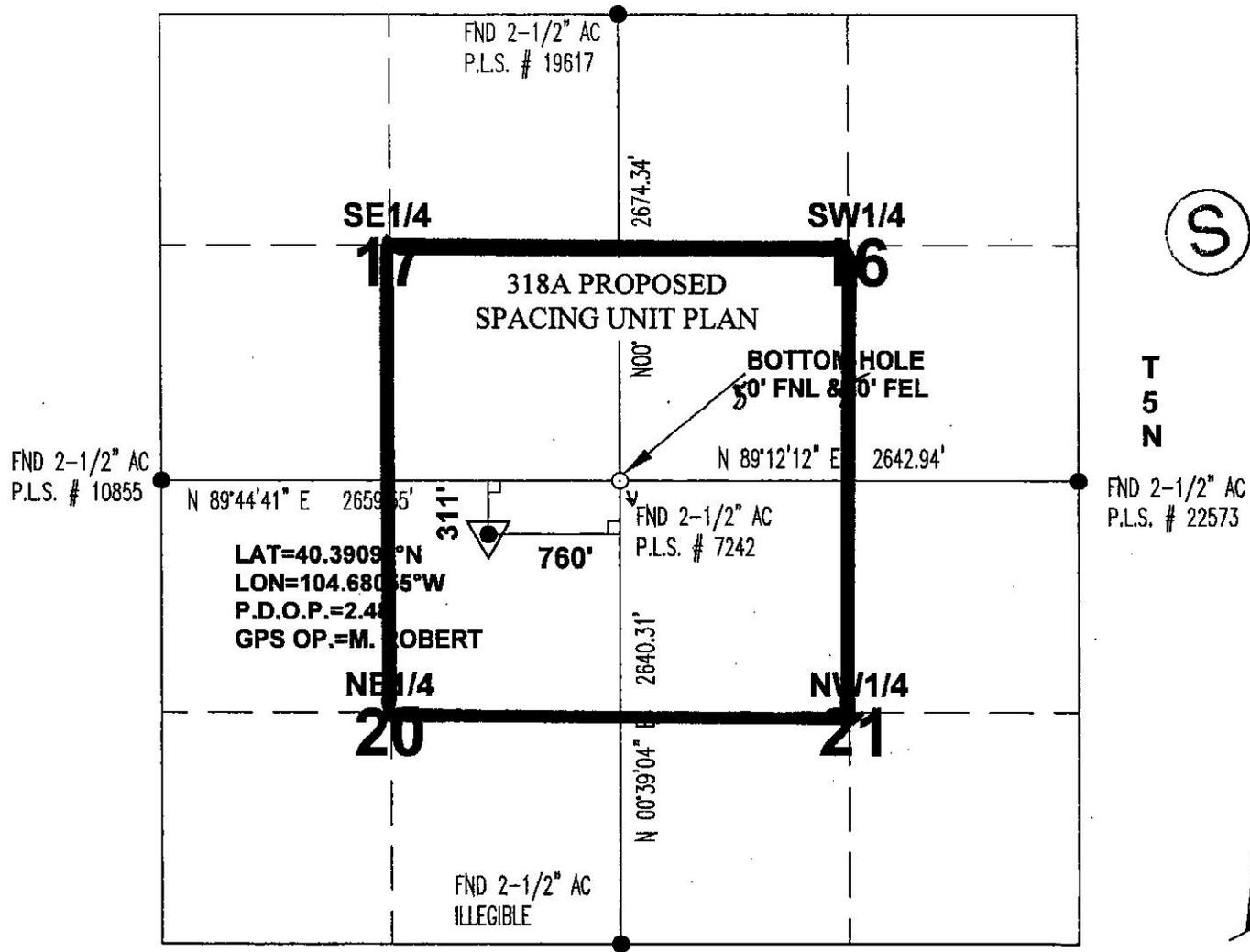
by


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Manager of Lands

date 10/11/06

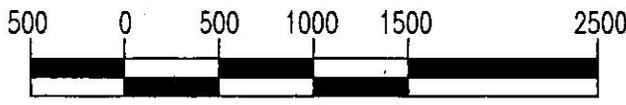
BASIS OF BEARINGS: THE EAST LINE OF THE NORTHEAST QUARTER OF SECTION 20, AS SHOWN HEREON.

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LAT=40.3909°N
LON=104.6805°W
P.D.O.P.=2.44
GPS OP.=M. ROBERT



SCALE 1"=1000'

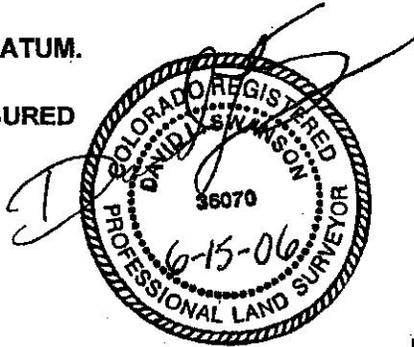
Powers Elevation Co., Inc. of Frederick, Colorado has in accordance with a request from Arlo Richardson for Mineral Resources, Inc. determined the location of A7 HWY 34-1 to be 311' FNL & 760' FEL Section 20, Township 5 NORTH Range 65 WEST of the Sixth Principal Meridian, WELD County, Colorado

LOCATION NOTES

LOCATION FALLS IN: NATURAL GROUND
 IMPROVEMENTS: SEE EXHIBIT A
 ELEVATION DETERMINED FROM NAVD 1988 DATUM.
 GROUND ELEVATION = 4671'
 DISTANCES AND BEARINGS ARE FIELD MEASURED
 UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED.

LEGEND

- SECTION CORNER (AS NOTED)
- ▼ PROPOSED WELL LOCATION
- PROPOSED BOTTOM HOLE LOCATION

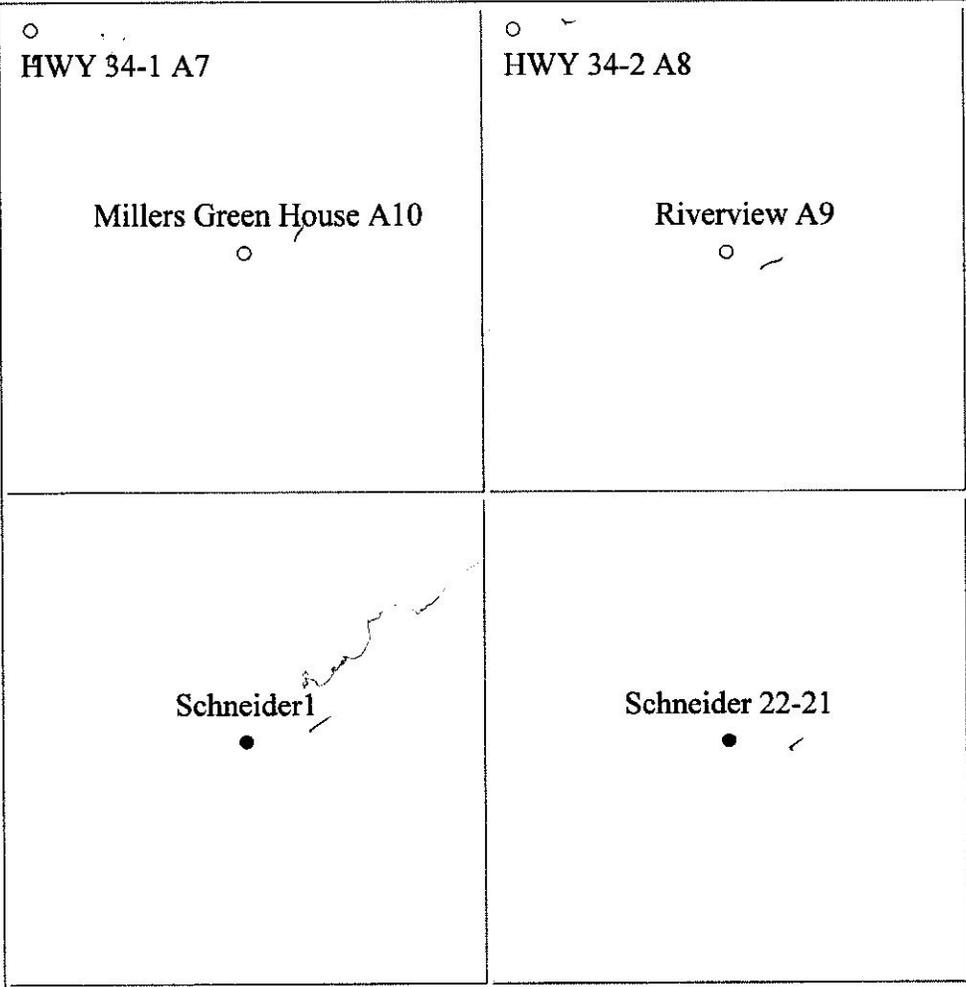


7800 MILLER DRIVE UNIT C
 FREDERICK, COLORADO 80504
 303-702-1617

David L. Swanson
 COLORADO P.L.S. #36070

FIELD DATE: 06-01-06 WO# 501-06-470
 DATE OF COMPLETION: 06-02-06

HWY 34-1 A7
Sec. NENE Sec. 20 T5N-R65W
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LEGEND

- Bottom-hole Locations for Drilled and Completed Wells
- Bottom-hole Locations for Proposed/Permitted Wells

HWY 34-1 Bottom-hole is in the NW/4 Sec. 21 T5N-R65W

The Northwest Quarter of Section 21, Township 5 North, Range 65 West, of the 6th P.M. has fewer than 8 bottom-holes producing from the Codell and Niobrara Formations.