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State of Colorado, Oil & Gas Conservation Commission  
Attn: Julie Murphy  
1120 Lincoln Street, Suite 801  
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Re: **Letter to the Director, Rule 317.p**

Paonia 4N65W32 1-12 Pad, SWSE Sec. 32, T4N-R65W, Weld County, Colorado  
Wells: Paonia 1N, 2N, 3N, 4N, 5N, 6N, 7N, 8N, 9N, 10N, 11N, 12N

Dear Director:

PDC Energy ("PDC") intends to drill and produce the above referenced horizontal oil and gas well(s), to be located as described above. PDC respectfully requests the Director to approve an exception to Rule 317.p for the referenced proposed wells, as adequate well log control exist in the records of offset wells drilled in the vicinity of the surface-hole location of the proposed new wells. In lieu of running an open hole log, one of the first wells drilled on the pad will be logged with Cased-hole Pulsed Neutron Log with Gamma Ray Log from kick-off point into the surface casing in addition to PDC's normal Gamma Ray/ Neutron (GR/N) log and CBL run on all wells on the pad.

The logs from the following prior-drilled well are proposed to provide adequate log coverage to characterize the geology of the area.

Well name(s) with Log	API #	Distance to well	Direction to well	Document Numbers	Type of Log
HSR-Nichols 15-32	05-123-16264	822'	NE	1061154	Dual Induction Focused Log/ Gamma Ray
Marshall 32-14G	05-123-16380	1106'	SW	977445	Dual Induction Focused Log/ Gamma Ray

The Cased-hole Pulsed Neutron Log with Gamma Ray Log will be run from kick-off point into the surface casing on one of the first wells drilled on the pad. The CBL and Gamma Ray/ Neutron (GR/N) logs will be run on the 5 1/2" first string, from the top of the curve to surface, on all the proposed new wells on the subject pad. The horizontal portion of each well on the pad will be logged with a measured-while-drilling Gamma Ray log and all logs will be submitted to COGCC. The Drilling Completion Report- Form 5 submitted for each well will list all logs run in that well and indicate that no open-hole logs were run. PDC hereby requests the Director to grant an exception to Rule 317.p.

If you should have any questions or concerns regarding this permit, please contact the undersigned at (303) 831-3931.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Ally Ota", written over a light blue horizontal line.

Ally Ota  
Regulatory Technician  
PDC Energy, Inc.