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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 Unplanned Refilling ☐  
ZONE TYPE SINGLE ZONE ☒ MULTIPLE ZONES ☐ COMMINGLE ZONES ☐ Sidetrack ☒

Date Received:

Well Name: Wilmoth E Well Number: 5J-232  
Name of Operator: PDC ENERGY INC COGCC Operator Number: 69175  
Address: 1775 SHERMAN STREET - STE 3000  
City: DENVER State: CO Zip: 80203  
Contact Name: Ally Ota Phone: (303)860-5800 Fax: ( )  
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RECLAMATION FINANCIAL ASSURANCE

Plugging and Abandonment Bond Surety ID: 20160047

WELL LOCATION INFORMATION

QtrQtr: NWNW Sec: 5 Twp: 4N Rng: 64W Meridian: 6  
Latitude: 40.345760 Longitude: -104.579520  
Footage at Surface: 994 Feet FNL/FSL 1100 Feet FEL/FWL FWL  
Field Name: WATTENBERG Field Number: 90750  
Ground Elevation: 4738 County: WELD  
GPS Data:  
Date of Measurement: 11/03/2016 PDOP Reading: 1.2 Instrument Operator's Name: Brian Rottingaus  
If well is ☐ Directional ☒ Horizontal (highly deviated) **submit deviated drilling plan.**  
Footage at Top of Prod Zone: FNL/FSL 329 FNL 1165 FWL 356 FEL/FWL 225 FEL FWL  
Sec: 5 Twp: 4N Rng: 64W Sec: 4 Twp: 4N Rng: 64W

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: Yes  
The right to construct the Oil and Gas Location is granted by: oil and gas lease  
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.)

See lease map attached to original APD

Total Acres in Described Lease: 310 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: 1195 Feet  
Building Unit: 1196 Feet  
High Occupancy Building Unit: 5280 Feet  
Designated Outside Activity Area: 5280 Feet  
Public Road: 981 Feet  
Above Ground Utility: 1019 Feet  
Railroad: 5280 Feet  
Property Line: 994 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: 132 Feet

Distance from Completed Portion of Wellbore to Nearest Unit Boundary 922 Feet (Enter 5280 for distance greater than 1 mile.)

Federal or State Unit Name (if appl): \_\_\_\_\_ Unit Number: \_\_\_\_\_

## SPACING & FORMATIONS COMMENTS

Spacing Unit: T4N-R64W Section 3: NWNW, Section 4: N2N2, Section 5: N2N2; T5N-R64W Section 32: S2S2; Section 33: S2S2

## 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		680	GWA

## DRILLING PROGRAM

Proposed Total Measured Depth: 16147 Feet

Distance from the proposed wellbore to nearest existing or proposed wellbore belonging to another operator, including plugged wells:

Enter distance if less than or equal to 1,500 feet: 81 Feet ☐ No well belonging to another operator within 1,500 feet

Will a closed-loop drilling system be used? Yes

Is H<sub>2</sub>S gas reasonably expected to be encountered during drilling operations at concentrations greater than or equal to 100 ppm? No (If Yes, attach an H<sub>2</sub>S 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 318A

## 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:

Drill Cuttings will be land applied at PDC spread fields with COGCC Facility ID 444255 or 159534.

Beneficial reuse or land application plan submitted? Yes

Reuse Facility ID: 444255 or Document Number:

## CASING PROGRAM

Casing Type	Size of Hole	Size of Casing	Wt/Ft	Csg/Liner Top	Setting Depth	Sacks Cmt	Cmt Btm	Cmt Top
SURF	12+1/4	9+5/8	36	0	1635	760	1635	0
1ST	8+1/2	5+1/2	20	0	16417	2035	16417	0

☒ 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 Unplanned Sidetrack. While Drilling the curve we encountered a fault which shifted us into crossing the Sharon Springs at a very shallow angle. Once through that the hole became unstable and started to fall in. We tripped above it and increased mud weight and properties. We made multiple attempts to get back through the collapsed hole with no luck.

- Well name and API - Wilmoth E 5J-232 API 05-123-45487-0000
- Explanation of situation and why you need to sidetrack – Faulted into the Sharon Springs, Hole collapsed
- Total measured depth reached (also have TVD) 7270' MD/ 6791' TVD'
- Casing sizes set and measured depth 9-5/8" @ 1635' MD/ 1635' TVD
- Description of fish-including top and bottom. None
- Type of cement you will be using including weight, yield, and sacks. Class G with 3% Cal, 15.8 PPG, 1.15 ft3/sk, 240 sks
- Measured depth and TVD of sidetrack point 4700' MD/ 4630' TVD
- Proposed target formation of sidetrack hole if different than permitted. Same as permit.
- BHL of sidetrack hole. Same as original plan.
- Wellbore diagram: Attached

This application is in a Comprehensive Drilling Plan \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_ CDP #: \_\_\_\_\_

Location ID: 452251

Is this application being submitted with an Oil and Gas Location Assessment application? \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

I hereby certify all statements made in this form are, to the best of my knowledge, true, correct, and complete.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Print Name: Ally Ota

Title: Regulatory Tech Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: alexandria.ota@pdce.com

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: \_\_\_\_\_ Director of COGCC Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Expiration Date: \_\_\_\_\_

API NUMBER

05 123 45487 01

## 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

## Best Management Practices

<u>No</u>	<u>BMP/COA Type</u>	<u>Description</u>
1	Drilling/Completion Operations	Prior to drilling operations, Operator will perform an anti-collision scan of existing offset wells that have the potential of being within close proximity of the proposed well. This anti-collision scan will include definitive MWD or gyro surveys of the offset wells with included error of uncertainty per survey instrument, and compared against the proposed wellpath with its respective error of uncertainty. If current surveys do not exist for the offset wells, Operator may have gyro surveys conducted to verify bottomhole location. The proposed well will only be drilled if the anti-collision scan results indicate that there is not a risk for collision, or harm to people or the environment. For the proposed well, upon conclusion of drilling operations, an as-constructed gyro survey will be submitted to COGCC with the Form 5.
2	Drilling/Completion Operations	Operator will comply with COGCC Policy for Bradenhead Monitoring During Hydraulic Fracturing Treatments in the Greater Wattenberg Area dated May 29, 2012. The Colorado Oil and Gas Conservation Commission (COGCC) has established this Policy Regarding Bradenhead Monitoring During Hydraulic Fracturing Treatments ("Treatment") in the Greater Wattenberg Area ("GWA") pursuant to COGCC 207.a. ("Policy"). This Policy applies to oil and gas operations in the GWA as defined by the COGCC Rules of Practice and Procedure.
3	Drilling/Completion Operations	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. 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 in that well and have those logs attached. The Form 5 for each well shall clearly state "No openhole logs were run" and shall reference the Rule 317.p Exception granted for the well.

Total: 3 comment(s)

## Attachment Check List

<u>Att Doc Num</u>	<u>Name</u>
401848062	OffsetWellEvaluations Data
401848080	CORRESPONDENCE
401848161	WELLBORE DIAGRAM

Total Attach: 3 Files

## General Comments

<u>User Group</u>	<u>Comment</u>	<u>Comment Date</u>
		Stamp Upon Approval

Total: 0 comment(s)

### **Public Comments**

No public comments were received on this application during the comment period.