



**PATINA**  
OIL & GAS CORPORATION

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Mountain Shadows of Greeley, LLC  
c/o Willowbrook Development  
Attn: Larry S. Buckendorf, General Counsel  
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Re: Notice of Operations on Samuel J 7-9, 7-15, 7-16 & 7-23 Wells  
Township 5 North, Range 66 West, 6th P.M.  
Section 7: SE $\frac{1}{4}$   
Weld County, Colorado

Gentlemen:

Pursuant to Rule 305.b.(1) of the Rules and Regulations of the Oil and Gas Conservation Commission of the State of Colorado ("Commission"), and subject to the terms and conditions of the Surface Use Agreement dated September 20, 2002 ("Agreement"), Patina Oil & Gas Corporation ("Patina") hereby gives notice to you that it intends to commence operations for the drilling of a well(s) for oil and/or gas on the referenced lands no sooner than November 14, 2004.

The Agreement sets forth the agreed to surface location of the captioned wells, as well as the access road and production facilities. A copy of Exhibit "A-2" to the Agreement is attached for your reference. These wells have been staked pursuant to the Agreement and Patina is in the process of obtaining permits from the Commission and the City of Greeley.

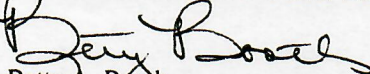
Please be advised that Roger Lowe in our Platteville office will be handling all field issues regarding these wells. He can be reached at 970-785-0352 or 303-939-8585 (Denver line).

In accordance with Rule 305 as surface owner you have the responsibility for notifying any tenant farmer, lessee or other party that may own or have an interest in any crops or surface improvements that could be affected by these proposed operations.

Pursuant to Rule 305.c.(6), enclosed please find a copy of the COGCC'S brochure describing surface owner rights and responsibilities.

Very truly yours,

**PATINA OIL & GAS CORPORATION**

  
Betty A. Booth  
Senior Landman

cc: Roger Lowe  
Clerk to Board of County Commissioners  
Bea Steele  
Jo Reavis  
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City of Greeley