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State of Colorado, Oil & Gas Conservation Commission
Attn: Director
1120 Lincoln Street, Suite 801
Denver, CO 80203

Re: Rules 318A.a. and 318A.c. Exception Location Request

Steamboat 4N66W34 1-16 Pad, Part of the Southeast Quarter Sec. 34, T4N-R66W,
Weld County, Colorado

Wells: Steamboat 1N (Doc #402458123), 2N (Doc #402458134), 3N (Doc #402458138), 4N (Doc #402458140), 5N (Doc #402458141), 6N (Doc #402458172), 7N (Doc #402458183), 8N (Doc #402458192), 9N (Doc #402458197), 10N (Doc #402458204), 11N (Doc #402458208), 12N (Doc #402458214), 13N (Doc #402458216), 14N (Doc #402458219), 15N (Doc #402458224), 16N (Doc #402458228)

Dear Director:

PDC Energy, Inc. ("PDC") is requesting an exception to Rule 318A.a. and Rule 318A.c. for the above-captioned well(s).

The location(s) are planned outside of a GWA window and are not within 50' of an existing well. This location favorable in order to drill horizontal wells with sufficient lateral length in the producible zone and build sufficient production facilities on location.

We respectfully request the approval of this exception to reduce the impact on the surface owner and surface operations. Attached is the Exception Location Waiver signed by the surface owners, Jimmy D. Shutt & Gayla M. Shutt.

If you have any questions, please contact the undersigned at (303) 831-3931.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Ally Ota".

Ally Ota
Regulatory Analyst
PDC Energy, Inc