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David Long
Weld County Commissioners
915 Tenth Street
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Re: Notice of Planned Drilling Operations
Noffsinger 7B
NE NE, Sec. 17, T6N-R65W
Surface Location: 831' FNL & 703' FEL
Weld County, Colorado

Dear Mr. Long:

The Colorado Oil & Gas Conservation Commission (COGCC) has specific guidelines and procedures regarding surface activities. These rules stipulate an operator must give an affected surface owner and governmental designee notice in writing thirty (30) days prior to drilling an oil and gas well.

It is Merit Energy Company's intentions to drill the referenced oil and gas well at the location described above.

If you have any questions regarding Merit's operation or should you require additional information please contact Joe Sevenski at 303.857.6766 or our Engineer, Nic McClymond at 972.628.1037.

Yours truly,

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