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Colorado Oil and Gas Conservation Commission
The Chancery Building
1120 Lincoln Street, Suite 801
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Attn: Mr. David Neslin, Director

RE: **Guttersen State D16-18**
Codell/Niobrara/J Sand New Drill (Vertical)
Township 3 North, Range 64 West, 6th P.M.
Section 16: NENW: 1215' FNL & 2610' FWL
Weld County, Colorado

Mr. Neslin:

Noble Energy, Inc. ("NEI") is planning to drill the captioned boundary well in accordance with the provisions of COGCC Rule 318A(e).

NEI's proposed wellbore spacing unit consists of the E/2NW/4 and W/2NE/4 creating a 160-acre wellbore spacing unit. NEI is the only owner within the proposed wellbore spacing unit, therefore NEI hereby attests that no notice letters are required under COGCC Rule 318A.e.(6).

Also, enclosed are copies of the following documents to assist you in your review and approval of NEI's proposed APD for the captioned well:

- Plat illustrating the proposed wellbore spacing unit and number of Codell/Niobrara/J Sand wells located within the existing 160-acre governmental quarter section to be less than eight (8) in accordance with COGCC Rule 318A.f.
- Plat illustrating proposed wellbore spacing unit on existing location plat.

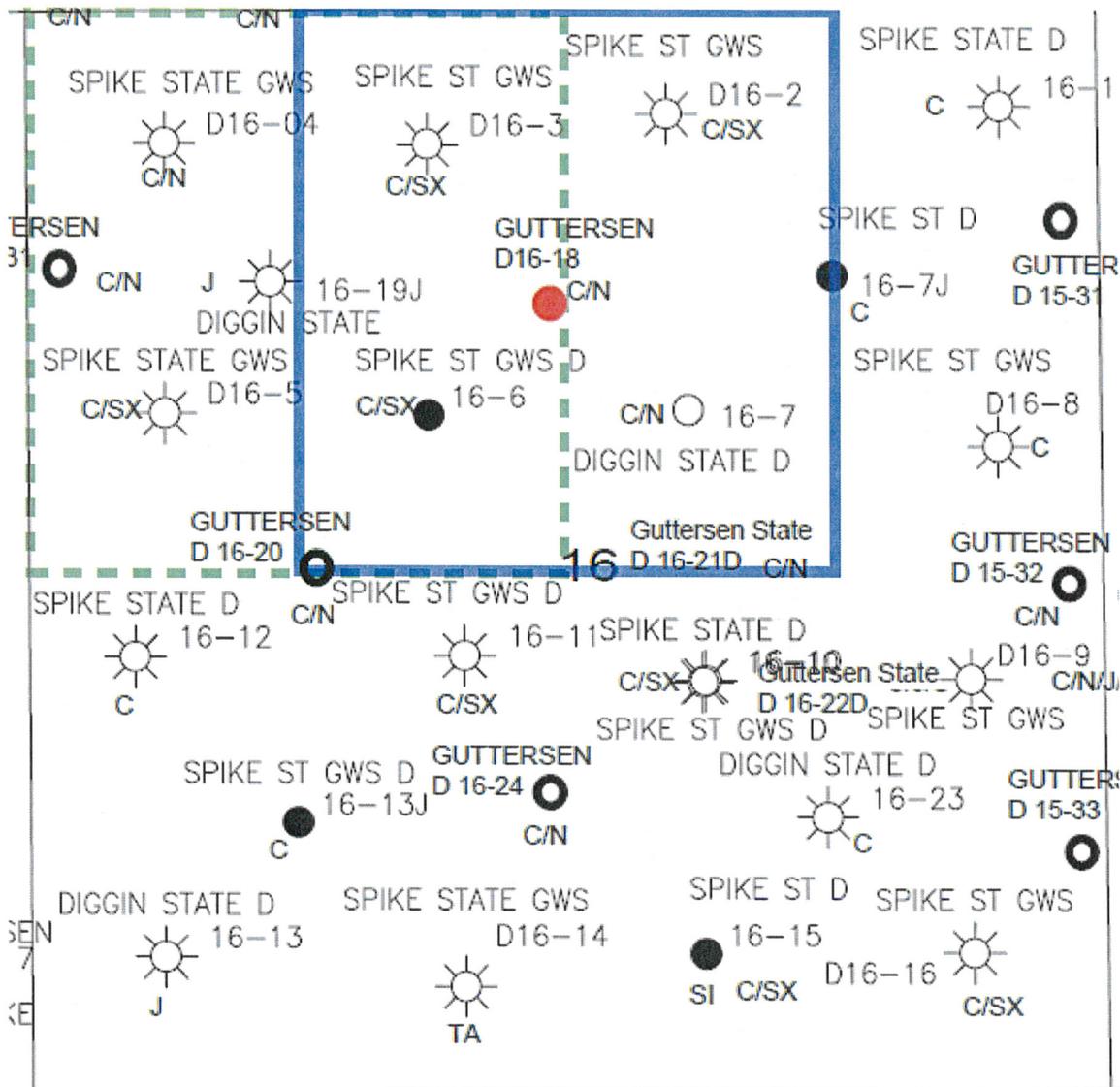
Thank you for your attention to the enclosed. NEI respectfully requests that the COGCC review the enclosed information and approve the Application for Permit to Drill the captioned well.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in purple ink that reads 'Mari Clark'.

Mari Clark
Regulatory Analyst II
Noble Energy Inc.

Guttersen State D 16-18
NENW, Section 16, T3N, R64W



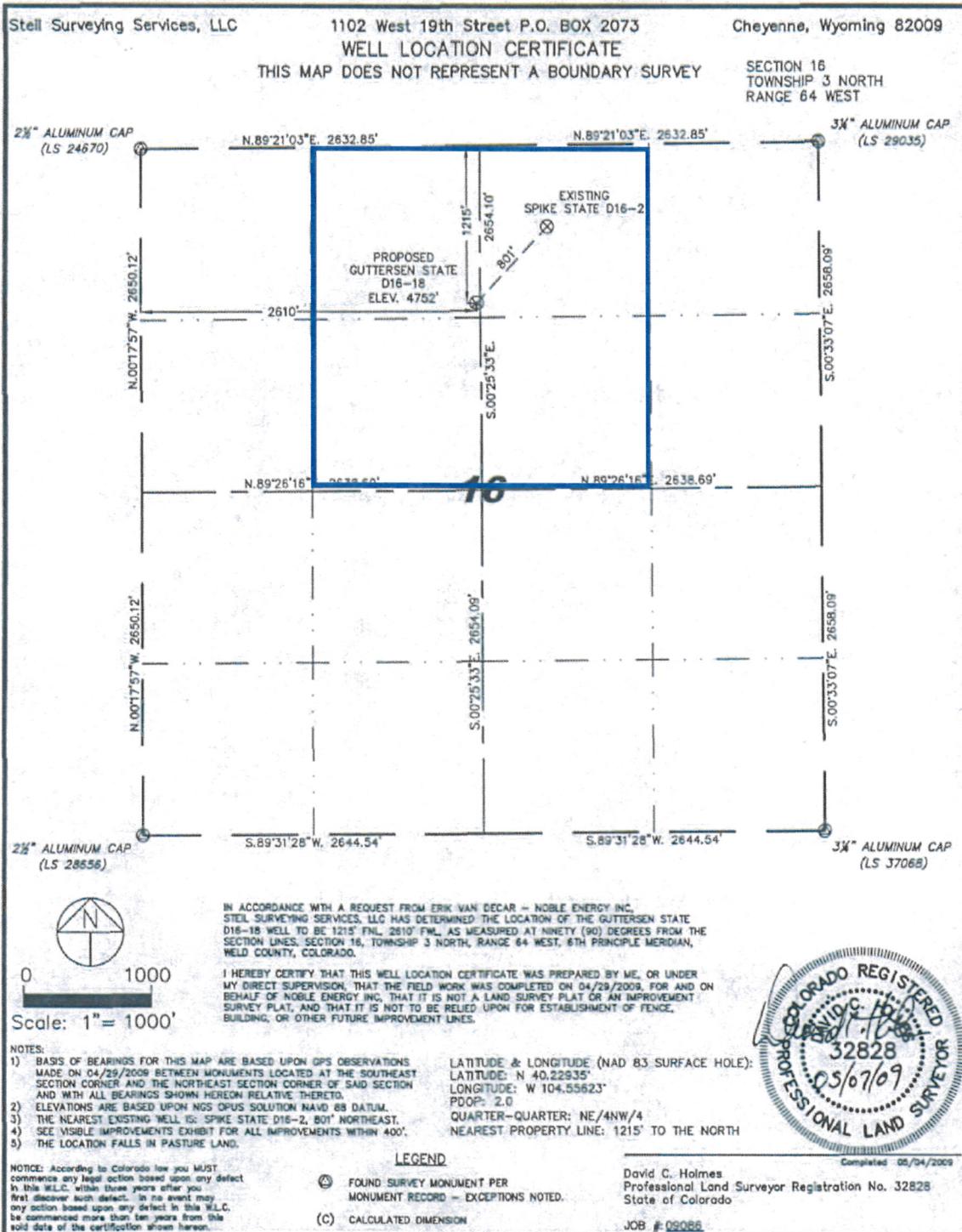
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 Proposed 160 acre Spacing Unit

 Bottom Hole Located NENW, Section 16, T3N, R64W

The governmental ¼ Section has less than 8 bottom hole wells producing from the Codell, Niobrara, & J-Sand Formations.

PROPOSED 318Ae SPACING UNIT



2 1/2" ALUMINUM CAP (LS 24670)

N.89°21'03"E. 2632.85'

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3 1/4" ALUMINUM CAP (LS 29035)

N.00°17'57"W. 2650.12'

2610'

S.00°33'07"E. 2658.09'

2 1/2" ALUMINUM CAP (LS 28556)

S.89°31'28"W. 2644.54'

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3 1/4" ALUMINUM CAP (LS 37068)

Scale: 1" = 1000'

IN ACCORDANCE WITH A REQUEST FROM ERIK VAN DECAR - NOBLE ENERGY INC. STEIL SURVEYING SERVICES, LLC HAS DETERMINED THE LOCATION OF THE GUTTERSEN STATE D16-18 WELL TO BE 1215' FNL, 2610' FWL, AS MEASURED AT NINETY (90) DEGREES FROM THE SECTION LINES, SECTION 16, TOWNSHIP 3 NORTH, RANGE 64 WEST, 6TH PRINCIPLE MERIDIAN, WELD COUNTY, COLORADO.

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS WELL LOCATION CERTIFICATE WAS PREPARED BY ME, OR UNDER MY DIRECT SUPERVISION, THAT THE FIELD WORK WAS COMPLETED ON 04/29/2009, FOR AND ON BEHALF OF NOBLE ENERGY INC, THAT IT IS NOT A LAND SURVEY PLAT OR AN IMPROVEMENT SURVEY PLAT, AND THAT IT IS NOT TO BE RELIED UPON FOR ESTABLISHMENT OF FENCE, BUILDING, OR OTHER FUTURE IMPROVEMENT LINES.

NOTES:

- 1) BASIS OF BEARINGS FOR THIS MAP ARE BASED UPON GPS OBSERVATIONS MADE ON 04/29/2009 BETWEEN MONUMENTS LOCATED AT THE SOUTHEAST SECTION CORNER AND THE NORTHEAST SECTION CORNER OF SAID SECTION AND WITH ALL BEARINGS SHOWN HEREON RELATIVE THERETO.
- 2) ELEVATIONS ARE BASED UPON NGS OPUS SOLUTION NAVD 88 DATUM.
- 3) THE NEAREST EXISTING WELL IS: SPIKE STATE D16-2, 801' NORTHEAST.
- 4) SEE VISIBLE IMPROVEMENTS EXHIBIT FOR ALL IMPROVEMENTS WITHIN 400'.
- 5) THE LOCATION FALLS IN PASTURE LAND.

LATITUDE & LONGITUDE (NAD 83 SURFACE HOLE):
 LATITUDE: N 40.22535°
 LONGITUDE: W 104.55623°
 POC: 2.0
 QUARTER-QUARTER: NE/4NW/4
 NEAREST PROPERTY LINE: 1215' TO THE NORTH

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(A) FOUND SURVEY MONUMENT PER MONUMENT RECORD - EXCEPTIONS NOTED.

(C) CALCULATED DIMENSION

Completed 05/04/2009

David C. Holmes
Professional Land Surveyor Registration No. 32828
State of Colorado

JOB # 09086

