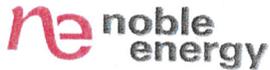


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July 29, 2009

Guttersen Ranches, LLC  
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RE: **Surface Exception Location Consent**  
**Directional Drilling Waiver**  
**Well Set-Back (Twinning) Exception Consent**  
GUTTERSEN STATE D16-32D  
Township 3 North, Range 64 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M.  
Section 16: NW/4SW/4  
Weld County, CO

Dear Mr. Guttersen:

Noble Energy, Inc. ("Noble") plans to drill the GUTTERSEN STATE D16-32D well (the "Well") at the referenced location which is more specifically described as 1,492 feet FSL, and 52 feet FWL which is outside the drilling window prescribed in Colorado Oil and Gas Conservation Commission ("COGCC") Rule 318A.a.(1).

By signing this letter you hereby grant your consent to Noble to locate the Well outside of a GWA window as defined in COGCC Rule 318A.a and waive the directional drilling requirement under Rule 318A.e. Additionally, the Well is being proposed at a surface location approximately 794 feet from an existing surface well location. By signing this letter you also grant your consent to Noble to locate the Well more than 50 feet from the existing well as provided for under COGCC Rule 318A.c.(2).

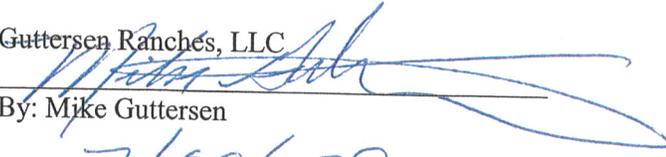
Noble hereby agrees that it will not drill the Well until you, as the Surface Owner, and Noble have entered into a Surface Use Agreement and the consideration therefore has been paid by Noble.

We would like to thank you for your assistance in this matter. If you have any questions do not hesitate to call me at (970) 785-5000.

NOBLE ENERGY, INC.

  
Erik T. Van Decar

Guttersen Ranches, LLC

  
By: Mike Guttersen

Date: 7/29/09

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RE: **Property Line Waiver**  
GUTTERSEN STATE D16-32D  
Township 3 North, Range 64 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M.  
Section 16: NW/4SW/4  
Weld County, CO

Dear Mr. Guttersen:

Noble Energy, Inc. ("Noble") plans to drill the GUTTERSEN STATE D16-32D well (the "Well") at the referenced location which is more specifically described as 1,492 feet FSL and 52 feet FWL. This location is approximately 52 feet from your property line. Noble respectfully requests that you, as the offset surface owner, waive Rule 603.a.(2) of the Colorado Oil and Gas Conservation Commission ("COGCC") Rules and Regulations requiring that the Well be located a minimum distance of 150 feet from a surface property line.

Please sign below to evidence your waiver and have your signature acknowledged by a Notary Public on the acknowledgement form attached. If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact me at (970) 785-5000.

Very truly yours,

NOBLE ENERGY, INC.

A blue ink signature of Erik T. Van Decar, consisting of a stylized, cursive 'E' followed by 'rik T. Van Decar'.

Erik T. Van Decar

The undersigned hereby waives COGCC Rule 603.a.(2).

Guttersen Ranches, LLC

By: A blue ink signature of Mike Guttersen, appearing as a stylized, cursive 'M' followed by 'ike Guttersen'.  
Mike Guttersen

STATE OF COLORADO )  
 ) ss  
COUNTY OF WELD )

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this 29<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2009, by Mike Guttersen.

[SEAL]

My commission expires:

Feb. 8, 2010



Zoe Ann Harwick  
Notary Public