

October 14, 2009

Colorado Oil and Gas Conservation Commission  
The Chancery Building  
1120 Lincoln Street, Suite 801  
Denver, CO 80203

Attn: Mr. David Neslin, Director

RE: **Lockman C14-30**  
Codell/Niobrara New Drill  
Township 4 North, Range 64 West, 6th P.M.  
Section 10: SESE: 350' FSL & 250' FEL (Vertical Well)  
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 SE/4SE/4 of Section 10, SW/4SW/4 of Section 11, the NW/4NW/4 of Section 14 and the NE/4NE/4 of Section 15, T4N, R64W creating a 160-acre wellbore spacing unit. NEI is not the only owner within the proposed wellbore spacing unit and as such provided notice to the remaining owner(s) within said proposed spacing unit as required under COGCC Rule 318A(e)(6). Copies of the required notice letter(s) is/are attached. The required twenty (20) day notice period has elapsed absent the receipt by NEI of an objection to said proposal by the owner(s) within the proposed spacing unit for this well.

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 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

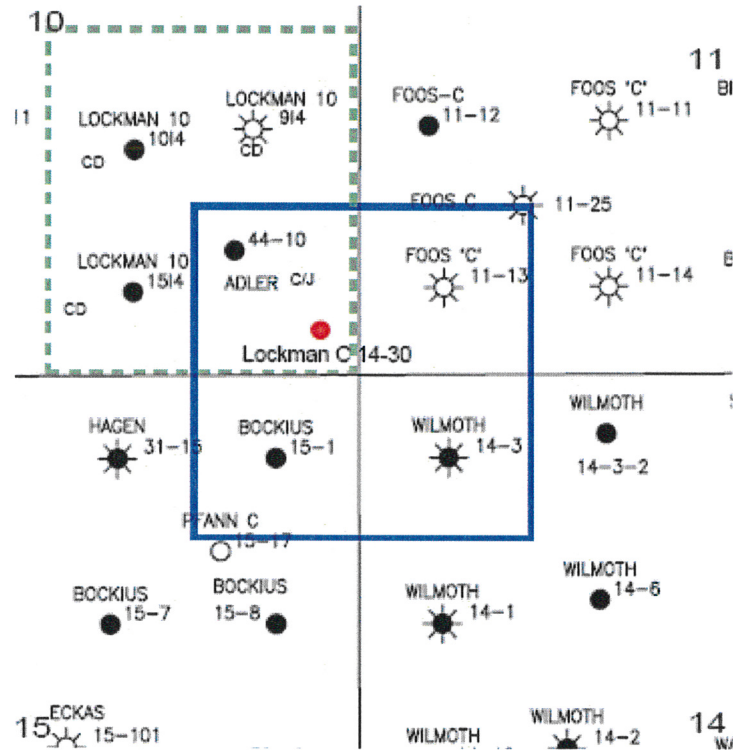
Thank you for your attention to the enclosed. NEI respectfully requests that the COGCC review the enclosed information and approve the Application for Permit to Drill the captioned well.

Sincerely,



Mari Clark  
Regulatory Analyst II  
Noble Energy Inc.

**Lockman C 14-30**  
**SESE, Section 10, T4N-R64W**



**LEGEND**



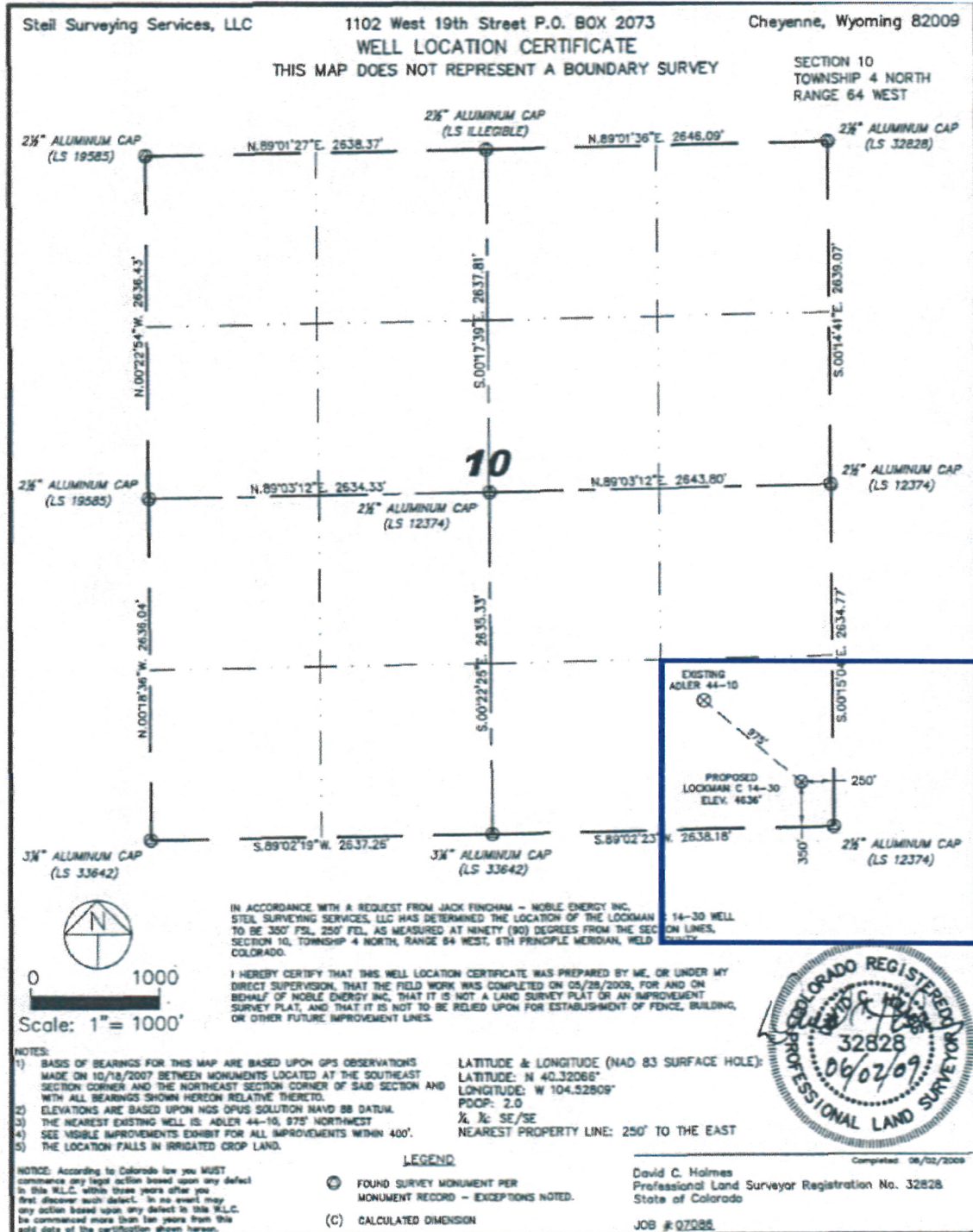
Proposed 160 acre Spacing Unit



Bottom Hole Located SESE, Section 10, T4N, R64W, 6<sup>th</sup> PM

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# PROPOSED 318Ae SPACING UNIT





September 2, 2009

**CERTIFIED MAIL  
RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED**

**ARTICLE # 7008 1830 0003 4248 0004**

Oncken Family Partnership  
c/o Ricky Oncken  
1400 Valley Wind Lane  
Missoula, MT 59804-9742

RE: Notice of 318A.e. Well Proposal  
Codell/Niobrara: New Well  
WELL NAME: **Lockman C14-30D**  
Township 4 North, Range 64 West  
Section 10: Southeast section corner (BHL)  
Weld County, Colorado

Dear Mr. Oncken:

Noble Energy, Inc. ("Noble") intends to propose, drill and operate the referenced well pursuant to paragraph 6 of Rule 318A.e., Order 1R-100 of the Colorado Oil and Gas Conservation Commission ("COGCC"). Attached for your information is a plat representing this proposal.

Additional information for this well:

(1) **Wellbore Spacing Unit**

The wellbore spacing unit will be comprised of the SW/4SW/4 of Section 11, the SE/4SE/4 of Section 10, the NW/4NW/4 of Section 14 and the NE/4NE/4 of Section 15 in T4N, R64W, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M. as depicted on the enclosed plat. The working interests attributable to the Codell/Niobrara formations in the contributing 40 acre quarter-quarter sections will be utilized to determine the interests of the parties in the proposed 160 acre spacing unit for this well. It appears that you own a working interest in the proposed wellbore spacing unit for this well.

(2) **Target Formations**

This well will be drilled to a total depth to sufficiently test the Codell/Niobrara formations.

(3) **Surface and Bottomhole Locations**

SHL: 350' FSL, 250' FEL, Section 10, T4N, R64W, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M.  
BHL: 350' FSL, 250' FEL, Section 10, T4N, R64W, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M.

(4) **Anticipated Spud Date**

4th Quarter, 2009

(5) **Request for Title Information**

In order to facilitate the rendering of a full title opinion, please provide copies of any title opinions, updates and JIB/Rev deck materials for the referenced spacing unit in your possession to Noble.

Pursuant to the aforementioned rule, you have twenty (20) days from your receipt of this notice to object to this proposal. In the event you do not respond to this pinion, please provide copies of any title opinions, updates and JIB/Rev deck materials for notice or enter an objection within the established time period, the proposed 160 acre spacing unit set forth herein shall be established. **However, should you have no objection to this proposal, please so indicate by signing in the space provided below and returning to Noble as soon as possible.** Your cooperation in this matter is greatly appreciated so that Noble may timely continue the permitting process for this well.

A formal well proposal, including Noble's proposed AFE and JOA will be forthcoming under separate cover.

Thank you for your timely consideration and response to this proposal. Please call me at 303-228-4367 if you have any questions.

Very truly yours,

**NOBLE ENERGY, INC.**



Robert J. Bram  
Senior Land Negotiator

RJB:mw

Enclosures

Pursuant to paragraph 6 of Rule 318A.e., Order 1R-100 of the Colorado Oil and Gas Conservation Commission, the undersigned has received notice from Noble Energy, Inc. ("Noble") of its intention to drill and operate the Lockman C14-30D well in Section 10, T4N, R64W, Weld County, Colorado and the undersigned hereby waives the twenty (20) day notice requirement as provided by said rule.

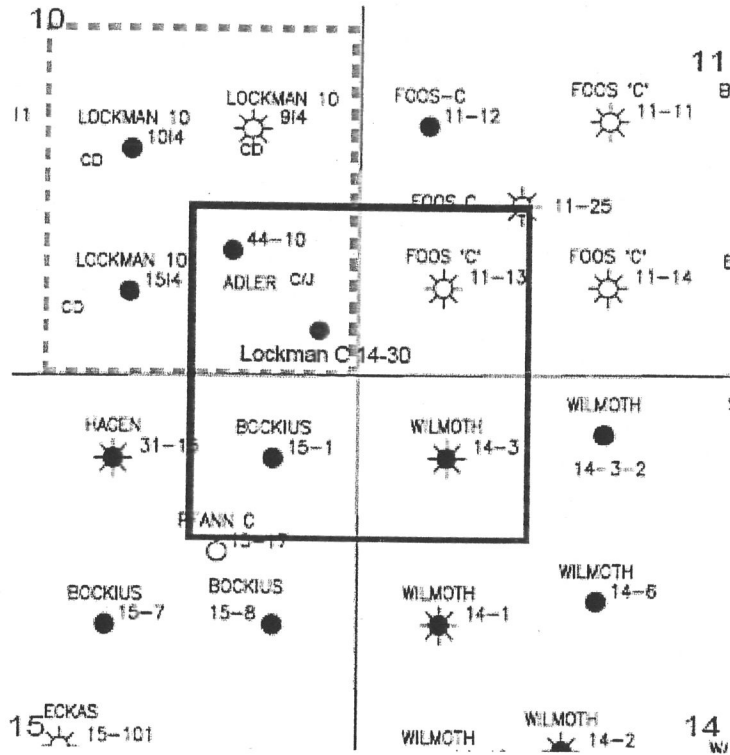
ONCKEN FAMILY PARTNERSHIP

By: Ricky C Oncken

Printed Name: Ricky C Oncken

Date: 9-2-09

**Lockman C 14-30**  
**SESE, Section 10, T4N-R64W**



**LEGEND**



Proposed 160 acre Spacing Unit



Bottom Hole Located SESE, Section 10, T4N, R64W, 6<sup>th</sup> PM

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**ARTICLE # 7007 2560 0002 6540 2666**

R.R. Pennington  
9819 Sagecourt Drive  
Houston, TX 77089

RE: Notice of 318A.e. Well Proposal  
Codell/Niobrara: New Well  
WELL NAME: **Lockman C14-30D**  
Township 4 North, Range 64 West  
Section 10: Southeast section corner (BHL)  
Weld County, Colorado

Dear Mr. Pennington:

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Additional information for this well:

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(2) **Target Formations**

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(4) **Anticipated Spud Date**

4th Quarter, 2009





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**ARTICLE # 7007 2560 0002 6540 2673**

Dan M. Mitchell, dba  
Comanche Drilling  
P.O. Box 636  
Cut Bank, MT 59427

RE: Notice of 318A.e. Well Proposal  
Codell/Niobrara: New Well  
**WELL NAME: Lockman C14-30D**  
Township 4 North, Range 64 West  
Section 10: Southeast section corner (BHL)  
Weld County, Colorado

Dear Mr. Mitchell:

Noble Energy, Inc. ("Noble") intends to propose, drill and operate the referenced well pursuant to paragraph 6 of Rule 318A.e., Order 1R-100 of the Colorado Oil and Gas Conservation Commission ("COGCC"). Attached for your information is a plat representing this proposal.

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4th Quarter, 2009

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**ARTICLE # 7007 2560 0002 6540 2680**

Estate of Sam Brown  
c/o Charlsia Burns  
8610 Pasture View Lane  
Houston, TX 77024-7038

RE: Notice of 318A.e. Well Proposal  
Codell/Niobrara: New Well  
WELL NAME: **Lockman C14-30D**  
Township 4 North, Range 64 West  
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Weld County, Colorado

Dear Ms. Burns:

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4th Quarter, 2009



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**ARTICLE # 7007 2560 0002 6540 2697**

Brown & Stanwood  
c/o Mike Stanwood  
8505 Monroe  
Houston, TX 77061

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Codell/Niobrara: New Well  
WELL NAME: **Lockman C14-30D**  
Township 4 North, Range 64 West  
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Dear Mr. Stanwood:

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**R.R. PENNINGTON**

By: \_\_\_\_\_

Printed Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_