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December 2, 2009

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

Attn: Mr. David Neslin, Director

RE: **ALE W29-20D**  
Codell/Niobrara/J Sand New Drill  
Township 2 North, Range 66 West, 6th P.M.  
Section 29: SE/4NW/4: 2037' FNL & 2175' FWL (Surface Location)  
Section 29: SE/4NW/4: 2562' FNL & 1371' FWL (Bottom Hole Location)  
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 S/2NW/4 & the N2SW/4, T2N, R66W, 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/J Sand wells located within the existing 160-acre governmental quarter section (NW/4) 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 blue ink that reads "Mari Clark".

Mari Clark  
Regulatory Analyst II  
Noble Energy Inc.

**ALE W 29-20D**  
**SENW, Sec 29, T2N, R66W**



**LEGEND**



Proposed 160 acre Spacing Unit



Bottom Hole Located SENW, Sec 29, T2N, R66W

The governmental 1/4 Section has less than 8 bottom hole wells producing from the Codell, Niobrara, & J-Sand Formations.

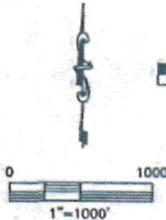
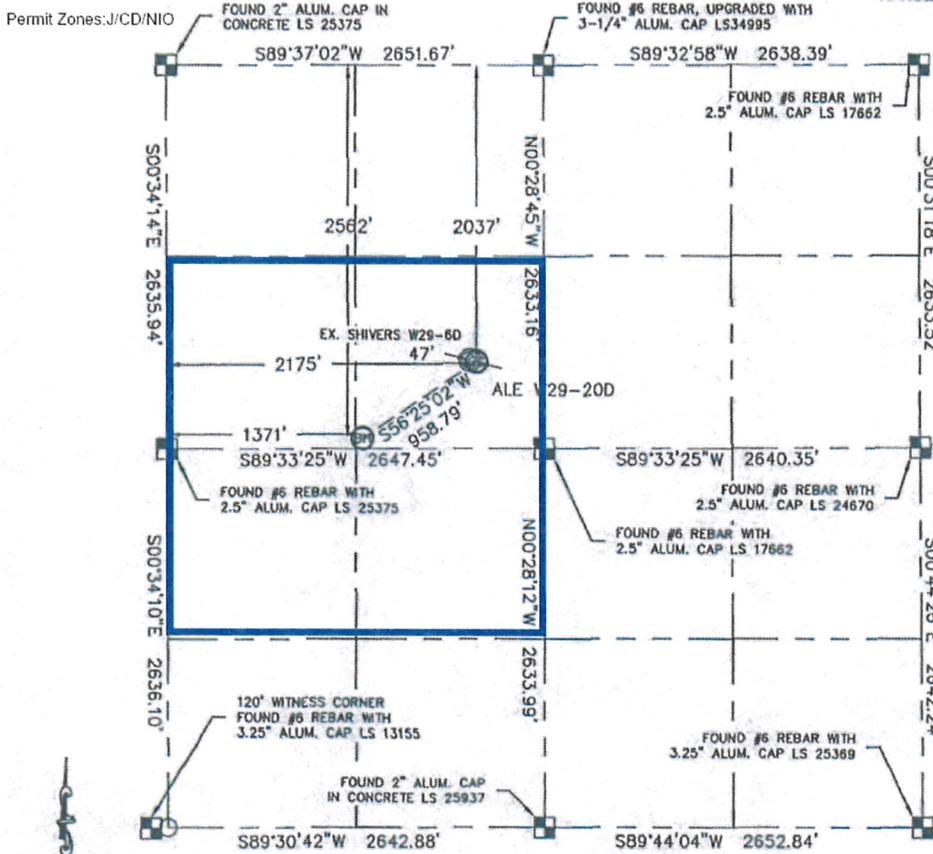
Proposed 318 Ae Spacing Unit

KING SURVEYORS, INC. 650 E. GARDEN DR. WINDSOR, CO 80550

WELL LOCATION CERTIFICATE

THIS MAP DOES NOT REPRESENT A BOUNDARY SURVEY

SECTION: 29  
TOWNSHIP: 2N  
RANGE: 66W



In accordance with a request from Roger Lowe with Noble Energy Inc. King Surveyors Inc. has determined the surface location of the ALE W29-20D to be 2037' from the NORTH line and 2175' from the WEST line and the bottom hole to be 2562' from the NORTH line and 1371' from the WEST line as measured at right angles from the section line of Section 29, Township 2 North, Range 66 West of the Sixth Principal Meridian, County of Weld, State of Colorado.

I hereby state that this Well Location Certificate was prepared by me, or under my direct supervision, that the fieldwork was completed on 4/29/09, for and on behalf of Noble Energy Inc. That this 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.

NOTE:

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- 3) NEAREST EXISTING WELL: SHIVERS W29-6D 47' WEST
- 4) IMPROVEMENTS: See VISIBLE IMPROVEMENTS exhibit for all visible improvements within 400' of well head.
- 5) SURFACE USE: EXISTING WELL SITE, CROP FIELD

SURFACE LOCATION	BOTTOM HOLE
LATITUDE: 40.11075N	LATITUDE: 40.10931N
LONGITUDE: 104.80281W	LONGITUDE: 104.80568W
POOP: 1.1	
ELEV: 4889	
1/4, 1/4: SE1/4NW1/4	
NEAREST PROPERTY LINE: 473' EAST	

NOTE

According to Colorado law, you must commence any legal action based upon any defect in this W.L.C. within three years after you discover such defect. In no event, may any action based upon any defect in this survey be commenced more than ten years after the date of the certificate shown hereon. (13-80-105 C.R.S.)

LEGEND

-  = ALIQUOT MONUMENT AS DESCRIBED
-  = CALCULATED POSITION



Steven A. 34995 on behalf of King Surveyors, Inc.  
Licensed Land Surveyor No. 34995  
State of Colorado

PROJECT#: 2008437

October 20, 2009

**CERTIFIED MAIL  
RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED**

ARTICLE # 7008 1830 0003 4247 7813

Merit Energy Partners  
Attn: Laura Dorety  
13727 Noel Road, Suite 2000  
Dallas, TX 75240

RE: Notice of 318A.e. Well Proposal  
Codell/Niobrara/J-Sand: New Well  
WELL NAME: **Ale W29-20D**  
Township 2 North, Range 66 West  
Section 29: SE/4NW/4 (BHL)  
Weld County, Colorado

Dear Ms. Dorety:

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 S/2NW/4 and the N/2SW/4 of Section 29, in T2N, R66W, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M., as depicted on the enclosed plat. The working interests attributable to the formation(s) 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/J-Sand formations.

(3) **Surface and Bottomhole Locations**

SHL: 2037' FNL, 2175' FWL, Section 29, T2N, R66W, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M  
BHL: 2562' FNL, 1371' FWL, Section 29, T2N, R66W, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M

(4) **Anticipated Spud Date**

1st Quarter, 2010

(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 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 303-228-4233 if you have any questions.

Very truly yours,

**NOBLE ENERGY, INC.**



Angela Mallon  
Land Negotiator

AM:jkb

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 Ale W29 -20D well in Section 29 , T 2N, R66W, Weld County, Colorado and the undersigned hereby waives the twenty (20) day notice requirement as provided by said rule.**

**MERIT ENERGY PARTNERS:**

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

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

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



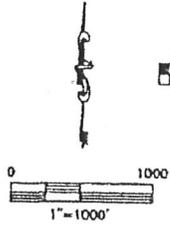
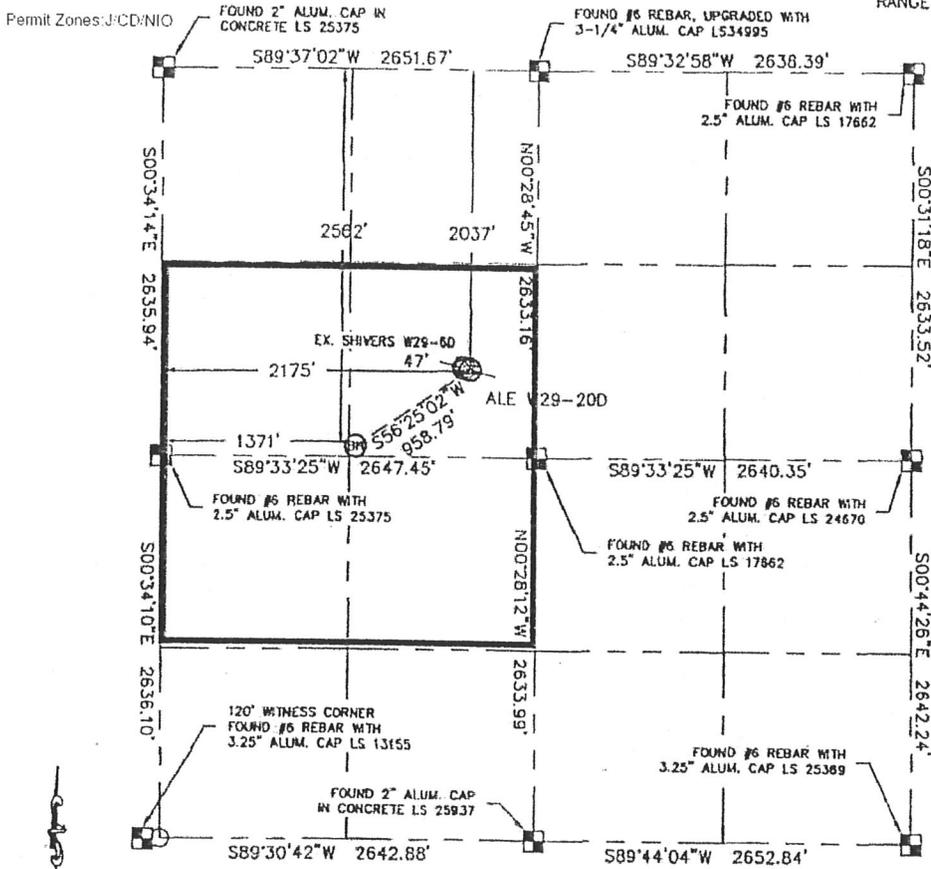
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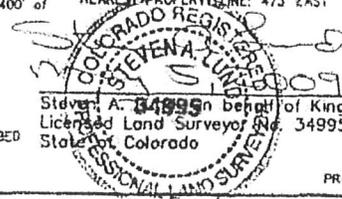
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