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

Attn: Mr. David Neslin, Director

RE: **Request to the Director for 318A.c Twinning Location Exception**
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 above mentioned well to the Codell/Niobrara/J Sand formations.

Under the Revised Rule 318A.c any new twinning well is to be located within 50' of an existing well. The surface location of NEI's proposed well has been staked approximately 74' from the nearest oil and gas well. Noble has obtained permission, contained in a waiver from the surface owner.

Thank you for your attention to the enclosed. Noble respectfully requests that the COGCC review the enclosed information and approve the requested exception location waivers and Application for Permit to Drill the captioned well.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'Mari Clark'. The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name 'Mari' being more prominent than the last name 'Clark'.

Mari Clark
Regulatory Analyst II
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