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January 27, 2010

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

Attn: Mr. David Neslin, Director

RE: **MARLEY C01-30D**  
Codell/Niobrara New Drill  
Township 4 North, Range 64 West, 6th P.M.  
Section 1: NW/4NW/4: 509' FNL & 652' FWL (Surface Location)  
Section 1: NW/4NW/4: 85' FNL & 85' 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 NWNW of Sec.1, NENE of Sec.2, T4N, R64W and SWSW of Sec. 36 and SESE of Sec.35, T5N, 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 (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.

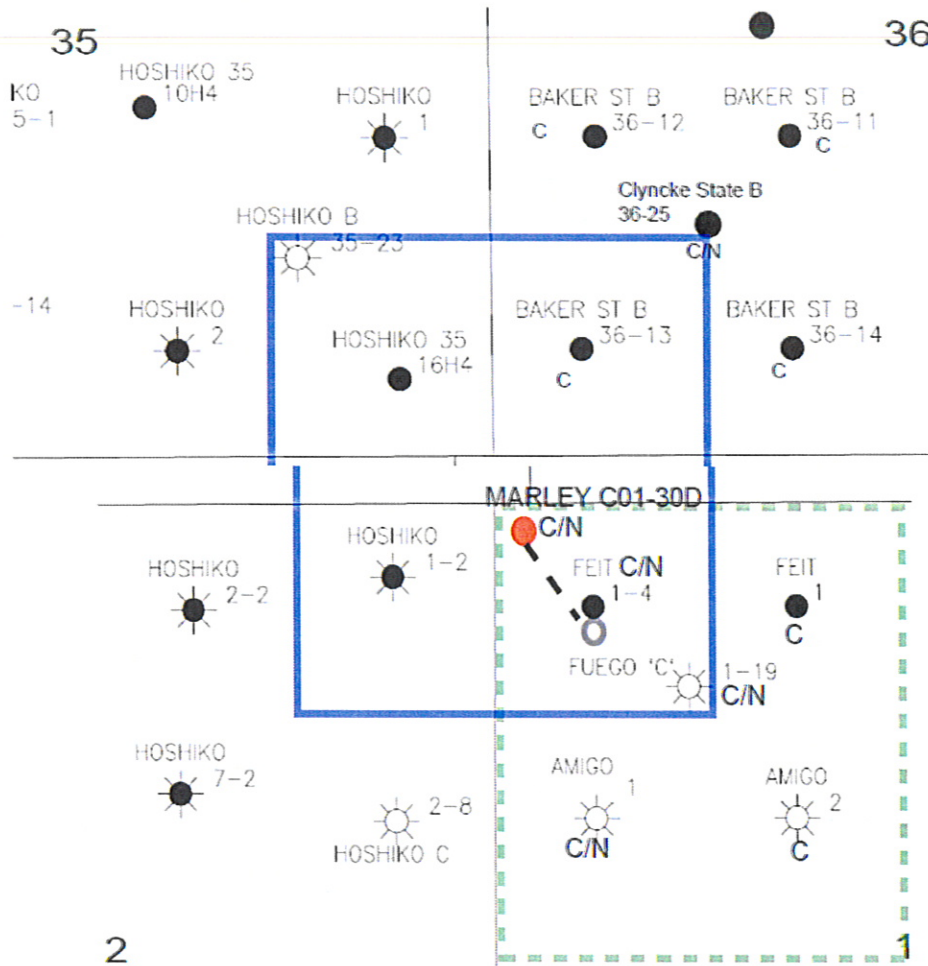
Thank you for your attention to the enclosed. NEI respectfully requests that the COGCC review the enclosed information and approve the Application for Permit to Drill the captioned well.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'Kate Miller'. To the right of the signature is a blue circular stamp containing the letters 'HK'.

Kate Miller  
Regulatory Specialist  
Noble Energy Inc.

**MARLEY C01-30D**  
**NWNW, Section 1, T4N, R64W**



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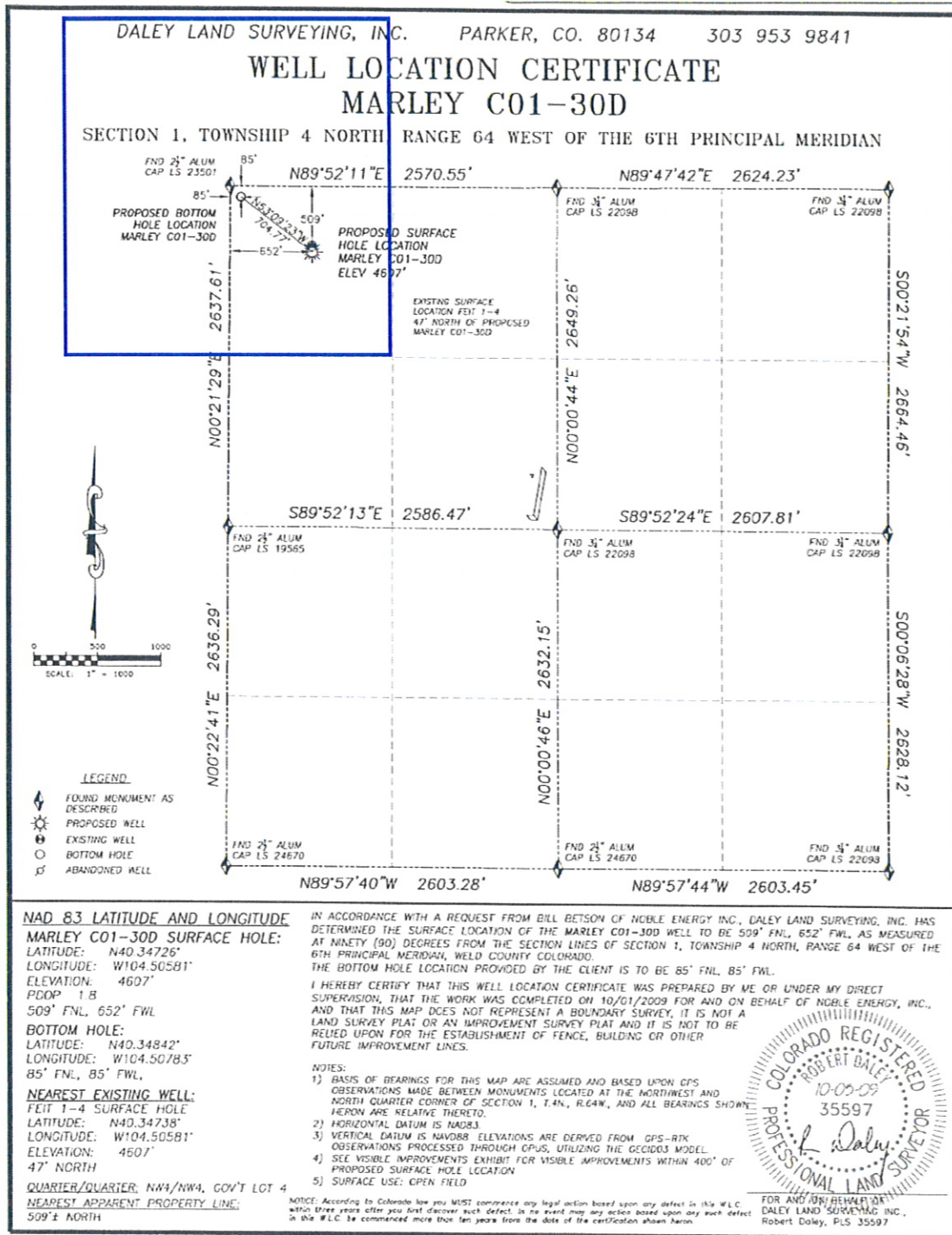
Proposed 160 acre Spacing Unit



Bottom Hole Located NWNW, Section 1, T4N, R64W

The governmental  $\frac{1}{4}$  Section has less than 8 bottom hole wells producing from the Codell and Niobrara formations.

# PROPOSED 318Ae SPACING UNIT



December 28, 2009

**CERTIFIED MAIL  
RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED**

ARTICLE # 7009 2250 0004 3207 1996

Petroleum Development Corporation  
Attn: John Krattenmaker  
1775 Sherman Street, Suite 3000  
Denver, CO 80203

RE: Notice of 318A.e. Well Proposal  
Codell/Niobrara: New Well  
WELL NAME: **MARLEY C01-30D**  
Township 4 North, Range 64 West  
Section 1: NW/4NW/4 (BHL)  
Weld County, Colorado

Dear Mr. Krattenmaker:

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 NW/4NW/4 of Section 1, in T4N, R64W, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M., and the NE/4NE/4 of Section 2, in T4N, R64W, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M., and the SW/4SW/4 of Section 36, in T5N, R64W, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M., and the SE/4SE/4 of Section 35, in T5N, R64W, 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 formations.

(3) **Surface and Bottomhole Locations**

SHL: 509' FNL, 652' FWL, Section 1, T4N, R64W, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M.  
BHL: 85' FNL, 85' FWL, Section 1, T4N, R64W, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M.

(4) **Anticipated Spud Date**

2nd 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 on the next page and returning one of the letters to Noble as soon as possible.** Please keep the other letter for your records. Your cooperation in this matter is greatly appreciated so that Noble may timely continue the permitting process for this well.

Thank you for your timely consideration and response to this proposal. Please do not hesitate to contact me at 303-228-4352 you have any questions.

Very truly yours,

**NOBLE ENERGY, INC.**



Casey M. Kimble  
Senior Land Negotiator

CMK: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 MARLEY C01-30D well in Section 1, T4N, R64W, Weld County, Colorado and the undersigned hereby waives the twenty (20) day notice requirement as provided by said rule.

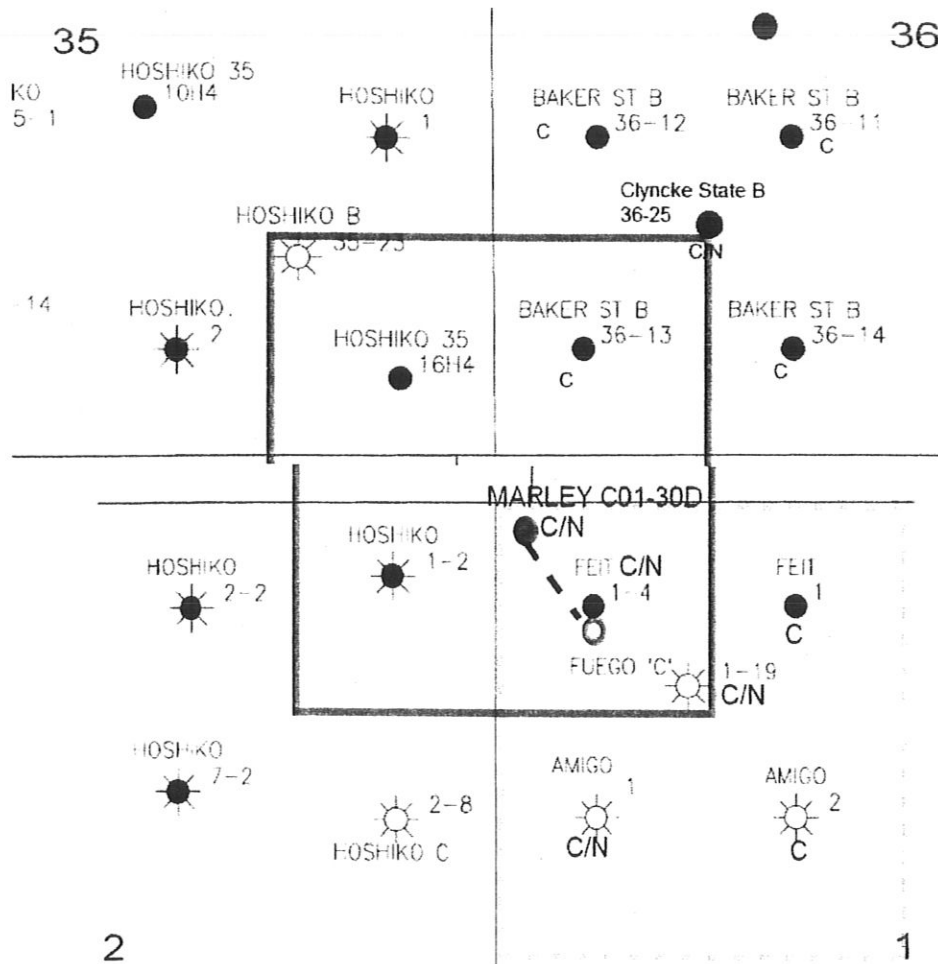
**PETROLEUM DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION:**

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

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

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

**MARLEY C01-30D**  
**NWNW, Section 1, T4N, R64W**



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Proposed 160 acre Spacing Unit



Bottom Hole Located NWNW, Section 1, T4N, R64W

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