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Colorado Oil & Gas Conservation Commission
Northwest Area Office
707 Wapiti Court, Suite 204
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Attn: David A. Kubeczko, PG

Re: 596-33C Form 2A Proposed Wildlife COAs
596-33C Well Pad
SW/4 SW/4 of Section 33, Township 5 South, Range 96 West, 6th P.M.
Garfield County, Colorado

Dear David:

Marathon Oil Company (Marathon) has submitted a Form 2A for well pad 596-33C located in the SW/4 SW/4 of Section 33, Township 5 South, Range 96 West, 6th P.M., Garfield County, Colorado. The following BMPs have been suggested by CDOW. These BMPs to be attached to Form 2A are acceptable to Marathon.

- 1) Conduct post-development well site visitations to between the hours of 10:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. and reduce well site visitations between December 1 and April 15 in elk production area. **(This is acceptable to Marathon).**
- 2) Conduct well site visitations to portions of the day between 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. during the lekking season (March 1 to May 15). **(This is acceptable to Marathon).**
- 3) Reclaim/restore greater sage-grouse habitats with native grasses, forbs, and shrubs conducive to optimal greater sage-grouse habitat and other wildlife appropriate to the ecological site. **(Since this pad is on Private Surface, Marathon will will reclaim / restore vegetation to the requests of the surface owner).**
- 4) Use certified, weed free grass hay, straw, hay or other mulch material used for the reseeding and reclamation of disturbed areas. **(Marathon is agreeable to this since it is standard procedure).**

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads 'Anna Walls'.

Anna Walls
Regulatory Compliance Technician