



February 10, 2010

Department of Natural Resources  
Oil and Gas Conservation Commission  
The Chancery Building  
1120 Lincoln St., Suite 801  
Denver, CO 80203

Re: Request for Exception to Rule 318A.a  
HOUSTON STATE 31-16  
HOUSTON STATE 32-16  
Township 3 North, Range 67 West  
Section 16: SW/4NW/4  
Weld County, Colorado

Ladies/Gentlemen:

Kerr-McGee Oil & Gas Onshore LP ("KMG") respectfully requests the Director approve an exception to Rule 318A.a to allow the above-named wells to be drilled at the above referenced location. Rule 318A.a of the Colorado Oil and Gas Commission's Rules and Regulations requires wells to be drilled/completed in a square with sides four hundred (400) feet in length, the center of which is the center of any quarter/quarter section or in the center of any quarter section with the four sides being (800) feet in length. The well being permitted is an exception location at the request of the surface owner.

KMG has obtained written permission from the surface owner. Should you have any questions, please contact our office. Thank you for your consideration.

Very truly yours,

**Kerr-McGee Oil & Gas Onshore LP**

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads 'Cheryl Light'.

Cheryl Light  
Senior Regulatory Analyst

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## 318A-a Waiver

February 5<sup>th</sup>, 2010

Bennett R Houston  
9053 CR 34  
Platteville, CO 80651

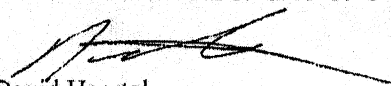
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HOUSTON STATE 31-16: SWNW  
HOUSTON STATE 32-16: SWNW  
Township 3 North, Range 67 West  
Section 16: NW/4  
Weld County, Colorado

Dear Mr. Houston:

Kerr-McGee Oil & Gas Onshore LP ("KMG") plans to drill the above oil and gas wells from the above described surface location.

Rule 318A of the Colorado Oil and Gas Commission's Rules and Regulations requires a well be drilled in a square with sides four hundred (400) feet in length, the center of which is the center of any quarter/quarter or a square with sides eight hundred (800) feet in length, the center of which is the center of any quarter section. Please waive this requirement below showing your approval of the new wells being drilled at the location referenced above. Should you have any questions, please contact our office. Thank you for your consideration.

Very truly yours,  
KERR MCGEE OIL & GAS ONSHORE LP

  
David Haertel  
Landman

I/we waive Rule 318A-a and approve the above described location.

Mr. Bennett Houston

By: 

Date: 10 Feb 2010