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Land Department

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Jack and Shirley Degenhart  
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RE: **Surface Exception Location Consent**  
**Directional Drilling Waiver**  
**Well Set-Back (Twinning) Exception Consent**  
DEGENHART USX AE17-99HZ  
Township 6 North, Range 62 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M.  
Section 17: NE/4NE/4  
Weld County, CO

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Degenhart:

Noble Energy, Inc. ("Noble") plans to drill the DEGENHART USX AE17-99HZ well (the "Well") at the referenced location which is more specifically described as 1,144 feet FNL, and 693 feet FEL which is outside the drilling window prescribed in Colorado Oil and Gas Conservation Commission ("COGCC") Rule 318A.a.(1).

By signing this letter you hereby grant your consent to Noble to locate the Well outside of a GWA window as defined in COGCC Rule 318A.a and waive the directional drilling requirement under Rule 318A.e. Additionally, the Well is being proposed at a surface location approximately 2,783 feet from an existing surface well location. By signing this letter you also grant your consent to Noble to locate the Well more than 50 feet from the existing well as provided for under COGCC Rule 318A.c.(2).

We would like to thank you for your assistance in this matter. If you have any questions do not hesitate to call me at (970) 785-5000.

NOBLE ENERGY, INC.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Sean Casper'.

Sean Casper

Jack and Shirley Degenhart

Handwritten signatures of Jack and Shirley Degenhart in black ink. The signature for Jack is on top, and Shirley's is below it. Both names are underlined.

Jack Degenhart

Date: 1-9-10