



February 4, 2010

Lippert Land & Minerals, LLC  
Thomas D. Lippert, Manager  
28577 County Road Z  
Vernon, CO 80755

HAND DELIVERED

RE: NOTICE OF THE INTENT TO DRILL

Lippert Trust 12-01 1S45W SWNW/4

Lippert Trust 13-01 1S45W NWSW/4

Yuma County, Colorado

Dear Mr. Lippert,

This letter is to advise you, as Surface Owner it is our intent to commence drilling operations for a natural gas well in the above referenced locations. A company representative will contact you prior to our moving onto location for a surface owner consultation per COGCC Rule 306. If you have a tenant leasing these locations, please notify them of this operation. Should you and/or your tenant desire to be present during the staking process, please contact Loni Davis at the Wray office @ 970-332-3585. If you are not the Surface Owner of the West half of section 1, Township 1 South, Range 45 West, we ask that you please notify this office immediately so that the proper land owner may be notified.

We hope to commence drilling operations during the 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter of 2010. We will contact you prior to moving onto location as we learn the approval date of the APD, rig availability and title approval.

Colorado State rules require a thirty-(30) day notice to landowners prior to commencement of drilling operations. COGCC Rule 305 gives you the right to request an onsite inspection by a Local Government Designee and must be received by the COGCC within 10 business days of the first day of the Rule 306 Consultation. Mr. Gary Timmer will contact you for a surface owner consultation per COGCC Rule 306. Augustus Energy Partners, LLC is requesting a waiver from you to disallow this time restriction on both the 30 days notice and the onsite inspection. Should you agree to waive these, please sign, date and return this document to the above referenced address. For your convenience, a self addressed, stamped envelope is enclosed.

Please find attached a drawing of the proposed location to include placement of pipelines and facilities. Also attached is a hard copy of the Location Assessment (Form 2A) and the other required information under COGCC rule 305e(1)A that will be submitted to the COGCC. Once we are notified by the COGCC that the (Form 2A) is complete we will notify you of the Location Assessment # so you may review the document and all attachments on the COGCC website and post any comments to the Director at <http://cogcc.state.co.us/>.

If you have any questions regarding this information, please do not hesitate to contact me. Enclosed is a pamphlet from the Colorado Oil and Gas Conservation Commission that explains many of the rules and regulations that apply to operators regarding surface owners and tenants and the Onsite Inspection request form. Your time and assistance regarding this matter is greatly appreciated.

Very truly yours,

Augustus Energy Partners, LLC

Loni J. Davis  
Operations Accounting and Regulatory Specialist

I, Thomas D. Lippert, as Surface Owner of the above referenced property, do hereby waive the thirty (30) day rule for notification prior to commencement of drilling operation.  Yes  No. And do hereby waive the Onsite inspection  Yes,  No. By signing below, I acknowledge that upon receipt of this letter Augustus Energy Partners, LLC may proceed with drilling at their discretion.

Thomas D. Lippert  
Surface Owner

2-4-10  
Date

cc: COGCC  
AEP Well File