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February 5th, 2010

Colorado Oil and Gas Conservation Commission
The Chancery Building
1120 Lincoln Street, Suite 801
Denver, CO 80202

Mr. Eugene Speakman
Steamers Ranch LLC
5242 County Road 300
Parachute, CO 81635-9487

RE: **Request to the Director for Property Line Exception for 35D2 PAD**
Township 7 South, Range 95 West, 6th, P.M.
Section 35: NW1/4NW1/4
Garfield County, CO

Dear Mr. Neslin:

Noble Energy Inc. ("NEI") is planning to drill 16 wells from a surface pad located in the NW1/4NW1/4 of Section 35, T7S-R95W, 6th.P.M Garfield County, CO. The surface location of these wells from the west property line are less than the 150' prescribed by the Colorado Oil and Gas Conservation Commission ("COGCC") Rule 603.a.(2).

This letter will act as a written exception to Rule 603.a.(2) and as a Waiver by Mr. Eugene Speakman, Surface Owner of Steamers Ranch LLC for the following staked surface locations.

<u>Well Name</u>	<u>Surface Location to Property line</u>
Battlement Mesa 34-41A	1215' FNL, 146' FWL
Battlement Mesa 34-41B	1223' FNL, 145' FWL
Battlement Mesa 34-41C	1230' FNL, 145' FWL
Battlement Mesa 34-41D	1238' FNL, 144' FWL
Battlement Mesa 34-42C	1275' FNL, 141' FWL
Battlement Mesa 34-42D	1282' FNL, 140' FWL
Battlement Mesa 27-44D	1208' FNL, 147' FWL

NEI requests that the COGCC approve the requested exception locations as Waived and approve the Application for Permits to Drill the captioned wells. Thank you very much for your consideration.

Respectfully,

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Irene M. Ward
Sr. Land Negotiator
Noble Energy, Inc.

Agreed to and Waived this 16 day of February, 2010.

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By: Eugene Speakman
Title: Surface Owner, Steamers Ranch, LLC