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State of Colorado
Oil and Gas Conservation Commission

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APPLICATION FOR PERMIT TO:

1. ☒ Drill, ☐ Deepen, ☐ Re-enter, ☐ Recomplete and Operate

2. TYPE OF WELL

OIL ☐ GAS ☒ COALBED ☐ OTHER _____
SINGLE ZONE ☐ MULTIPLE ZONE ☒ COMMINGLE ZONE ☐

Refilling ☐
Sidetrack ☐

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Plugging Bond Surety

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3. Name of Operator: NOBLE ENERGY INC

4. COGCC Operator Number: 100322

5. Address: 1625 BROADWAY STE 2200

City: DENVER State: CO Zip: 80202

6. Contact Name: KATE SHIRLEY Phone: (303)228-4449 Fax: (303)228-4286

Email: kshirley@nobleenergyinc.com

7. Well Name: WELLS RANCH USX AE Well Number: 31-16P

8. Unit Name (if appl): _____ Unit Number: _____

9. Proposed Total Measured Depth: 6800

WELL LOCATION INFORMATION

10. QtrQtr: SESE Sec: 31 Twp: 6N Rng: 62W Meridian: 6

Latitude: 40.438020 Longitude: -104.359010

Footage at Surface: 780 FNL/FSL FSL 610 FEL/FWL FEL

11. Field Name: Wattenberg Field Number: 90750

12. Ground Elevation: 4700 13. County: WELD

14. GPS Data:

Date of Measurement: 09/30/2009 PDOP Reading: 1.3 Instrument Operator's Name: John C. Barickman

15. If well is ☐ Directional ☐ Horizontal (highly deviated) **submit deviated drilling plan.**

Footage at Top of Prod Zone: FNL/FSL _____ FEL/FWL _____ Bottom Hole: FNL/FSL _____ FEL/FWL _____

Sec: _____ Twp: _____ Rng: _____ Sec: _____ Twp: _____ Rng: _____

16. Is location in a high density area? (Rule 603b)? ☐ Yes ☒ No

17. Distance to the nearest building, public road, above ground utility or railroad: 5280 ft

18. Distance to nearest property line: 610 ft 19. Distance to nearest well permitted/completed in the same formation: 1208 ft

20. LEASE, SPACING AND POOLING INFORMATION

Objective Formation(s)	Formation Code	Spacing Order Number(s)	Unit Acreage Assigned to Well	Unit Configuration (N/2, SE/4, etc.)
Codell	CODL		80	S/2SE4
Niobrara	NBRR		80	S/2SE4

21. Mineral Ownership: ☒ Fee ☐ State ☐ Federal ☐ Indian Lease #: _____

22. Surface Ownership: ☒ Fee ☐ State ☐ Federal ☐ Indian

23. Is the Surface Owner also the Mineral Owner? ☐ Yes ☒ No Surface Surety ID#: _____

23a. If 23 is Yes: Is the Surface Owner(s) signature on the lease? ☐ Yes ☐ No

23b. If 23 is No ☒ Surface Owners Agreement Attached or ☐ \$25,000 Blanket Surface Bond ☐ \$2,000 Surface Bond ☐ \$5,000 Surface Bond

24. Using standard QtrQtr, Sec, Twp, Rng format enter entire mineral lease description upon which this proposed wellsite is located (attach separate sheet/map if you prefer):
T6N-R62W, Section 31: ALL

25. Distance to Nearest Mineral Lease Line: 610 ft 26. Total Acres in Lease: 640

DRILLING PLANS AND PROCEDURES

27. Is H2S anticipated? ☐ Yes ☒ No If Yes, attach contingency plan.

28. Will salt sections be encountered during drilling? ☐ Yes ☒ No

29. Will salt (>15,000 ppm TDS CL) or oil based muds be used during drilling? ☐ Yes ☒ No

30. If questions 27 or 28 are yes, is this location in a sensitive area (Rule 903)? ☐ Yes ☒ No If 28, 29, or 30 are "Yes" a pit permit may be required.

31. Mud disposal: ☒ Offsite ☐ Onsite

Method: ☒ Land Farming ☐ Land Spreading ☐ Disposal Facility Other: _____

Note: The use of an earthen pit for Recompletion fluids requires a pit permit (Rule 905b). If air/gas drilling, notify local fire officials.

Casing Type	Size of Hole	Size of Casing	Weight Per Foot	Setting Depth	Sacks Cement	Cement Bottom	Cement Top
SURF	12+1/4	8+5/8	24#	500	210	500	0
1ST	7+7/8	4+1/2	11.6#	6,800	600	6,800	

32. BOP Equipment Type: ☒ Annular Preventer ☐ Double Ram ☐ Rotating Head ☐ None

33. Comments NO CONDUCTOR CASING WILL BE USED. 1ST STRING TOC=200' ABOVE NIOBRARA.

34. Location ID: 415050

35. Is this application in a Comprehensive Drilling Plan ? ☐ Yes ☐ No

36. Is this application part of submitted Oil and Gas Location Assessment ? ☒ Yes ☐ No

I hereby certify all statements made in this form are, to the best of my knowledge, true, correct, and complete.

Signed: _____ Print Name: KATE SHIRLEY

Title: REGULATORY SPECIALIST Date: 11/25/2009 Email: kshirley@nobleenergyinc.com

Based on the information provided herein, this Application for Permit-to-Drill complies with COGCC Rules and applicable orders and is hereby approved.

COGCC Approved: David S. Nashin Director of COGCC Date: 1/26/2010

API NUMBER

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Permit Number: _____ Expiration Date: 1/25/2012

CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL, IF ANY: _____

All representations, stipulations and conditions of approval stated in the Form 2A for this location shall constitute representations, stipulations and conditions of approval for this Form 2 Permit-to-Drill and are enforceable to the same extent as all other representations, stipulations and conditions of approval stated in this Permit-to-Drill.

1) Provide 24 hr notice of spud to Colby Horton at 970-467-2517 or e-mail at colby.horton@state.co.us. 2) Set surface casing per Rule 317d, cement to surface. Setting surface casing less than the approved depth is a permit violation unless prior written approval is obtained from the COGCC. 3) If completed, provide cement coverage from TD to a minimum of 200' above Niobrara. Verify coverage with cement bond log.

Attachment Check List

Att Doc Num	Name	Doc Description
2063554	SURFACE CASING CHECK	LF@2199811 2063554.00000
400018401	WELL LOCATION PLAT	LF@2193580 400018401
400018402	30 DAY NOTICE LETTER	LF@2193581 400018402
400018403	SURFACE AGRMT/SURETY	LF@2193582 400018403
400018411	FORM 2 SUBMITTED	LF@2193583 400018411

Total Attach: 5 Files