



July 12, 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
RIVERBEND 5-18; RIVERBEND 6-13; RIVERBEND 7-13
RIVERBEND 8-13; RIVERBEND 21-13; RIVERBEND 24-13
RIVERBEND 25-13
Township 1 North, Range 67 West
Section 13: SW/4NE/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.

Per Surface Use Agreement dated April 27, 2007, complete SUA attached separately, 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 'Rebecca Heim'.

Rebecca Heim
Regulatory Analyst II