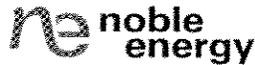


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Attn: Mr. David Neslin, Director

RE: PEPPLER PC AA17-20
Codell/Niobrara New Drill
Township 6 North, Range 63 West, 6th P.M.
Section 17: NE/4SW/4: 2465' FSL & 1410' FWL (Surface Location)
Section 17: NE/4SW/4: 2465' FSL & 1410' FWL (Bottom Hole Location)
Weld County, Colorado

Mr. Neslin:

Noble Energy, Inc. ("NEI") is planning to drill the captioned boundary well in accordance with the provisions of COGCC Rule 318A.e.

NEI's proposed wellbore spacing unit consists of the S/2NW/4, N/2SW/4 of Section 17, T6N, R63W, creating a 160-acre wellbore spacing unit. NEI is the only owner within the proposed wellbore spacing unit, therefore NEI hereby attests that no notice letters are required under COGCC Rule 318A.e.(6).

Enclosed are copies of the following documents to assist you in your review and approval of NEI's proposed APD for the captioned well:

- Plat illustrating the proposed wellbore spacing unit and number of Codell/Niobrara wells located within the existing 160-acre governmental quarter section (SW/4) to be less than eight (8) in accordance with COGCC Rule 318A.f.
- Plat illustrating proposed wellbore spacing unit on existing location plat.

Thank you for your attention to the enclosed. NEI respectfully requests that the COGCC review the enclosed information and approve the Application for Permit to Drill the captioned well.

Sincerely,

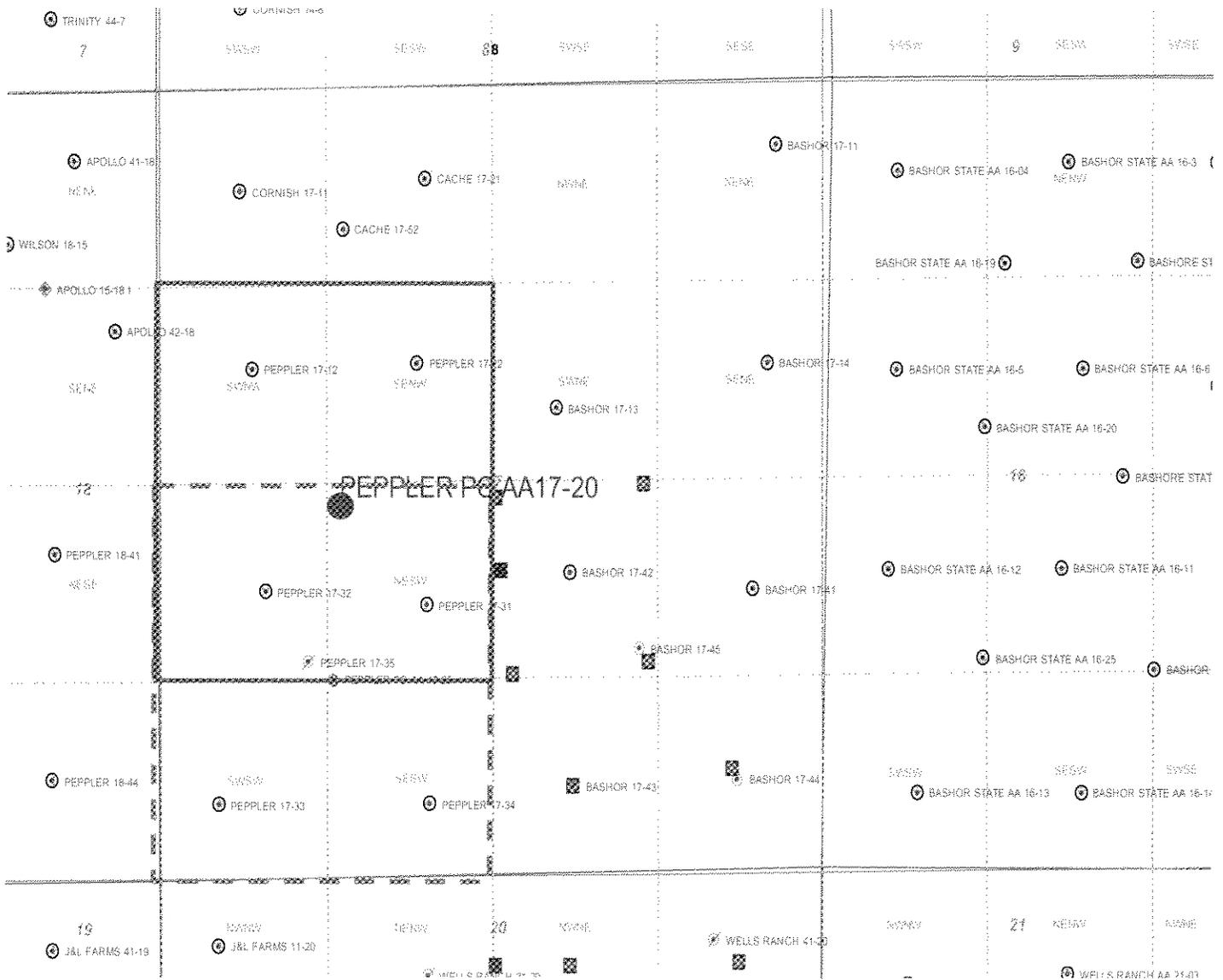
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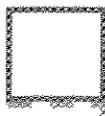
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318Ae Proposed Spacing Unit – Noble Energy

NESW Section 17, Township 6 North, Range 63 West



Legend



Proposed 160 acre spacing unit



Bottom Hole Location

Bottom Hole Located NESW Sec. 17, T6N, R63W

The governmental 1/4 Section has less than 8 bottom hole wells producing from the Codell, Niobrara formations.