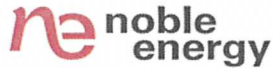


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Land Department

August 18, 2010

Russell L. Gurtler Jr. Family Trust and  
Dorthy K. Gurtler Trust  
7538 County Road 49  
Hudson, Colorado 80642

RE: **Surface Exception Location Consent**  
**Well Set-Back (Twinning) Exception Consent**  
GURTLER H24-99HZ  
Township 3 North, Range 65 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M.  
Section 24: NE/4SE/4  
Weld County, CO

Dear Surface Owner:

Noble Energy, Inc. ("Noble") plans to drill the GURTLER H24-99HZ well (the "Well") at the referenced location which is more specifically described as 1,800 feet FSL, and 250 feet FEL which is outside the drilling window prescribed in Colorado Oil and Gas Conservation Commission ("COGCC") Rule 318A.a.(1).

By signing this letter you hereby grant your consent to Noble to locate the Well outside of a GWA window as defined in COGCC Rule 318A.a. Additionally, the Well is being proposed at a surface location approximately 470 feet from an existing surface well location. By signing this letter you also grant your consent to Noble to locate the Well more than 50 feet from the existing well as provided for under COGCC Rule 318A.c.(2).

We would like to thank you for your assistance in this matter. If you have any questions do not hesitate to call me at (970) 785-5052.

NOBLE ENERGY, INC.

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Nate McCorkell

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Russell L. Gurtler Jr. Family Trust

Date: 8/20/10

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Dorthy K. Gurtler'.

Dorthy K. Gurtler Trust

Date: 8/20/10