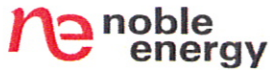


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January 17, 2011  
Colorado Oil and Gas Conservation Commission  
The Chancery Building  
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Attn: Mr. David Neslin, Director

RE: **GUTTERSEN D22-18**  
Codell/Niobrara New Drill  
Township 3 North, Range 64 West, 6th P.M.  
Section 22: NW/4NE/4: 1320' FNL & 2555' FEL (Surface Location)  
Section 22: NW/4NE/4: 1320' FNL & 2555' FEL (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 E/2NW/4, W/2NE/4 of Section 22, T3N, R64W, creating a 160-acre wellbore spacing unit. NEI is not the only owner within the proposed wellbore spacing unit and as such provided notice to the remaining owner(s) within said proposed spacing unit as required under COGCC Rule 318A.e(6). Copies of the required notice letter(s) is/are on file at the NEI offices. The required twenty (20) day notice period has elapsed absent the receipt by NEI of an objection to said proposal by the owner(s) within the proposed spacing unit for this well.

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 (NE/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,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'Mari Clark'.

Mari Clark  
Regulatory Analyst II  
Noble Energy Inc.

# GUTTERSEN D22-18

## 318Ae Proposed Spacing Unit – Noble Energy, Inc

### NW/4NE/4 Section 22, Township 3 North, Range 64 West



#### Legend



Proposed 160 acre spacing unit



Bottom Hole Location



Bottom Hole Located NW/4NE/4, Sec. 22, T3N, R64W

The governmental  $\frac{1}{4}$  Section has less than 8 bottom hole wells producing from the  
Codell, Niobrara, and J-Sand formations.

# PROPOSED SPACING UNIT

Steil Surveying Services, LLC

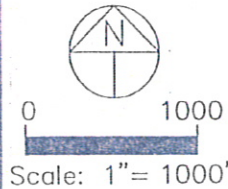
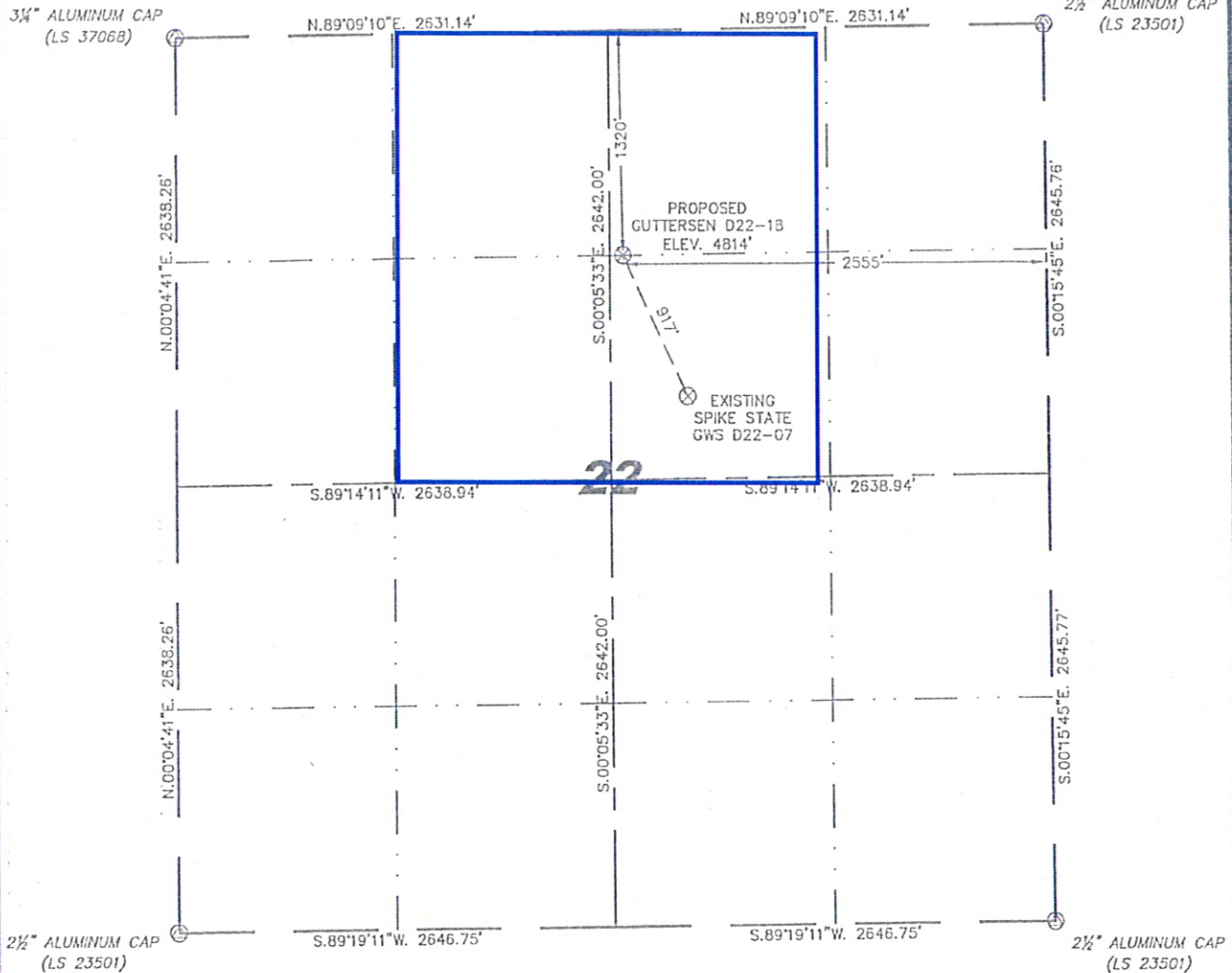
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## WELL LOCATION CERTIFICATE

THIS MAP DOES NOT REPRESENT A BOUNDARY SURVEY

SECTION 22  
TOWNSHIP 3 NORTH  
RANGE 64 WEST



IN ACCORDANCE WITH A REQUEST FROM JOE JOHNSON - NOBLE ENERGY INC, STEIL SURVEYING SERVICES, LLC HAS DETERMINED THE LOCATION OF THE GUTTERSEN D22-18 WELL TO BE 1320' FNL, 2555' FEL, AS MEASURED AT NINETY (90) DEGREES FROM THE SECTION LINES, SECTION 22, TOWNSHIP 3 NORTH, RANGE 64 WEST, 6TH PRINCIPLE MERIDIAN, WELD COUNTY, COLORADO.

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS WELL LOCATION CERTIFICATE WAS PREPARED BY ME, OR UNDER MY DIRECT SUPERVISION, THAT THE FIELD WORK WAS COMPLETED ON 07/27/2010, FOR AND ON BEHALF OF NOBLE ENERGY INC, THAT IT IS NOT A LAND SURVEY PLAT OR AN IMPROVEMENT SURVEY PLAT, AND THAT IT IS NOT TO BE RELIED UPON FOR ESTABLISHMENT OF FENCE, BUILDING, OR OTHER FUTURE IMPROVEMENT LINES.

### NOTES:

- 1) BASIS OF BEARINGS FOR THIS MAP ARE BASED UPON GPS OBSERVATIONS MADE ON 07/27/2010 BETWEEN MONUMENTS LOCATED AT THE SOUTHEAST SECTION CORNER AND THE NORTHEAST SECTION CORNER OF SAID SECTION AND WITH ALL BEARINGS SHOWN HEREON RELATIVE THERETO.
- 2) ELEVATIONS ARE BASED UPON NGS OPUS SOLUTION NAVD 83 DATUM.
- 3) THE NEAREST EXISTING WELL IS: SPIKE STATE GWS D22-07, 917' SOUTHEAST.
- 4) SEE VISIBLE IMPROVEMENTS EXHIBIT FOR ALL IMPROVEMENTS WITHIN 600'.
- 5) THE LOCATION FALLS IN PASTURE LAND.

LATITUDE & LONGITUDE (NAD 83 SURFACE HOLE):  
LATITUDE: N 40.21450°  
LONGITUDE: W 104.53705°  
PDOP: 1.7  
QUARTER-QUARTER: NW/4NE/4  
NEAREST PROPERTY LINE: 60' TO THE WEST

### LEGEND

- (A) FOUND SURVEY MONUMENT PER MONUMENT RECORD - EXCEPTIONS NOTED.
- (C) CALCULATED DIMENSION

David C. Holmes  
Professional Land Surveyor Registration No. 32828  
State of Colorado

JOB #: 10086

Completed 08/02/2010



NOTICE: According to Colorado law you MUST commence any legal action based upon any defect in this W.L.C. within three years after you first discover such defect. In no event may any action based upon any defect in this W.L.C. be commenced more than ten years from this sold date of the certification shown hereon.