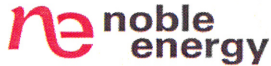


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Land Department

January 5, 2011

Wells Ranch LLLP  
32010 County Road 63  
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RE: **Surface Exception Location Consent**  
**Directional Drilling Waiver**  
**Well Set-Back (Twinning) Exception Consent**  
WELLS RANCH USX BB15-65HN  
Township 5 North, Range 63 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M.  
Section 15: SW/4NW/4  
Weld County, CO

Dear Wells Ranch:

Noble Energy, Inc. ("Noble") plans to drill the WELLS RANCH USX BB15-65HN well (the "Well") at the referenced location which is more specifically described as 1,875 feet FNL, and 215 feet FWL which is outside the drilling window prescribed in Colorado Oil and Gas Conservation Commission ("COGCC") Rule 318A.a.(1).

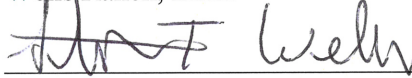
By signing this letter you hereby grant your consent to Noble to locate the Well outside of a GWA window as defined in COGCC Rule 318A.a and waive the directional drilling requirement under Rule 318A.e. Additionally, the Well is being proposed at a surface location approximately 436 feet from an existing 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) 785-5000.

NOBLE ENERGY, INC.

  
Sean Casper

Wells Ranch, LLLP

  
Steve Wells

Date: 1-6-11