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Mr. David Neslin, Director
State of Colorado
Oil and Gas Conservation Commission
1120 Lincoln Street, Suite 801
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RE: Exception Location Request
Variance to Rule 603.a.(2)
Well Pad/Well Name: Left Hand Federal A Pad
Location: SWSW of Section 16, T6S, R92W, 6th P.M.
Garfield County, Colorado

Dear Director:

Antero Resources Piceance Corporation controls certain oil and gas leasehold on fee minerals in Garfield County, Colorado. By this letter, we are submitting a Form 2A and associated Form 2's for the subject well pad location and requesting a variance to Rule 603a.(2). One or more wells on this location are closer than 150 feet from a property line. Specifically, the subject wells are between 143-148 feet from surface property owned by Public Service Company of Colorado.

Please find attached a signed waiver letter from the affected offset surface owner authorizing the encroachment to their surface property line. Antero Resources Piceance Corporation has negotiated placement of all wells with surface owners. We have a cooperative agreement between the surface owner to operate the well(s) drilled from the subject well pad.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please feel free to contact me at (303)-357-6412.

Regards,


Hannah Knopping
Permit Representative

Enclosures