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State of Colorado
Oil and Gas Conservation Commission
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Plugging Bond Surety

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APPLICATION FOR PERMIT TO:

1. ☒ Drill, ☐ Deepen, ☐ Re-enter, ☐ Recomplete and Operate

2. TYPE OF WELL

OIL ☐ GAS ☒ COALBED ☐ OTHER _____
SINGLE ZONE ☐ MULTIPLE ZONE ☒ COMMINGLE ZONE ☒

Refiling ☐
Sidetrack ☐

3. Name of Operator: NOBLE ENERGY INC 4. COGCC Operator Number: 100322
5. Address: 1625 BROADWAY STE 2200
City: DENVER State: CO Zip: 80202
6. Contact Name: Justin Garrett Phone: (303)228-4449 Fax: (303)228-4286
Email: JGGarrett@nobleenergyinc.com
7. Well Name: Howard USX Well Number: A09-23
8. Unit Name (if appl): _____ Unit Number: _____
9. Proposed Total Measured Depth: 7300

WELL LOCATION INFORMATION

10. QtrQtr: SESE Sec: 9 Twp: 6N Rng: 64W Meridian: 6
Latitude: 40.496950 Longitude: -104.549810

Footage at Surface: 1306 feet FNL/FSL 1138 feet FEL/FWL FEL

11. Field Name: Wattenberg Field Number: 90750
12. Ground Elevation: 4847 13. County: WELD

14. GPS Data:

Date of Measurement: 03/10/2011 PDOP Reading: 1.5 Instrument Operator's Name: Robert Daley

15. If well is ☐ Directional ☐ Horizontal (highly deviated) **submit deviated drilling plan.**

Footage at Top of Prod Zone: FNL/FSL _____ FEL/FWL _____ Bottom Hole: FNL/FSL _____ FEL/FWL _____
Sec: _____ Twp: _____ Rng: _____ Sec: _____ Twp: _____ Rng: _____

16. Is location in a high density area? (Rule 603b)? ☐ Yes ☒ No

17. Distance to the nearest building, public road, above ground utility or railroad: 1111 ft

18. Distance to nearest property line: 795 ft 19. Distance to nearest well permitted/completed in the same formation: 879 ft

20. LEASE, SPACING AND POOLING INFORMATION

Objective Formation(s)	Formation Code	Spacing Order Number(s)	Unit Acreage Assigned to Well	Unit Configuration (N/2, SE/4, etc.)
Codell	CODL	407-87	160	GWA
Niobrara	NBRR	407-87	160	GWA

21. Mineral Ownership: ☒ Fee ☐ State ☐ Federal ☐ Indian Lease #: _____

22. Surface Ownership: ☒ Fee ☐ State ☐ Federal ☐ Indian

23. Is the Surface Owner also the Mineral Owner? ☐ Yes ☒ No Surface Surety ID#: 20030012

23a. If 23 is Yes: Is the Surface Owner(s) signature on the lease? ☐ Yes ☐ No

23b. If 23 is No ☐ Surface Owners Agreement Attached or ☒ \$25,000 Blanket Surface Bon ☐ \$2,000 Surface Bond ☐ \$5,000 Surface Bond

24. Using standard QtrQtr, Sec, Twp, Rng format enter entire mineral lease description upon which this proposed wellsite is located (attach separate sheet/map if you prefer):
T6N-R64W Sec. 9: All

25. Distance to Nearest Mineral Lease Line: 1138 ft 26. Total Acres in Lease: 640

DRILLING PLANS AND PROCEDURES

27. Is H2S anticipated? ☐ Yes ☒ No If Yes, attach contingency plan.

28. Will salt sections be encountered during drilling? ☐ Yes ☒ No

29. Will salt (>15,000 ppm TDS CL) or oil based muds be used during drilling? ☐ Yes ☒ No

30. If questions 28 or 29 are yes, is this location in a sensitive area (Rule 901.e)? ☐ Yes ☐ No

31. Mud disposal: ☒ Offsite ☐ Onsite **If 28, 29, or 30 are "Yes" a pit permit may be required.**

Method: ☒ Land Farming ☐ Land Spreading ☐ Disposal Facility Other: Closed loop

Note: The use of an earthen pit for Recompletion fluids requires a pit permit (Rule 905b). If air/gas drilling, notify local fire officials.

Casing Type	Size of Hole	Size of Casing	Wt/Ft	Csg/Liner Top	Setting Depth	Sacks Cmt	Cmt Btm	Cmt Top
SURF	12+1/4	8+5/8	24	0	650	268	650	0
1ST	7+7/8	4+1/2	11.6	0	7,300	665	7,300	

32. BOP Equipment Type: ☒ Annular Preventer ☐ Double Ram ☐ Rotating Head ☐ None

33. Comments Conductor Casing will not be used. First String top of cement will be 200' above Niobrara formation. The proposed Howard USX A09-23 is part of a proposed four-well pad along with the Howard USX A09-09D (Doc #400154113), 09-14D (Doc #400154126), and 09-15D (Doc #400154140); multi-well plan attached. Facilities will be built on the pad and dedicated to the wells being permitted. Unit Configuration = SE/4.

34. Location ID: _____

35. Is this application in a Comprehensive Drilling Plan ? ☐ Yes ☐ No

36. Is this application part of submitted Oil and Gas Location Assessment ? ☒ Yes ☐ No

I hereby certify all statements made in this form are, to the best of my knowledge, true, correct, and complete.

Signed: _____ Print Name: Justin Garrett

Title: Regulatory Specialist Date: 4/20/2011 Email: JDGarrett@nobleenergyinc.co

Based on the information provided herein, this Application for Permit-to-Drill complies with COGCC Rules and applicable orders and is hereby approved.

COGCC Approved: David S. Neslin Director of COGCC Date: 5/15/2011

API NUMBER

05 123 33526 00

Permit Number: _____ Expiration Date: 5/14/2013

CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL, IF ANY:

All representations, stipulations and conditions of approval stated in the Form 2A for this location shall constitute representations, stipulations and conditions of approval for this Form 2 Permit-to-Drill and are enforceable to the same extent as all other representations, stipulations and conditions of approval stated in this Permit-to-Drill.

- 1) Provide 24 hour notice of MIRU to Bo Brown at 970-397-4124 or e-mail at bo.brown@state.co.us.
- 2) Comply with Rule 317.i and provide cement coverage from TD to a minimum of 200' above Niobrara.

Attachment Check List

Att Doc Num	Name
1770998	SURFACE CASING CHECK
400154156	FORM 2 SUBMITTED
400154158	30 DAY NOTICE LETTER
400154159	PLAT

Total Attach: 4 Files

General Comments

<u>User Group</u>	<u>Comment</u>	<u>Comment Date</u>

Total: 0 comment(s)

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<u>Type</u>	<u>Comment</u>
General Housekeeping	Housekeeping will consist of neat and orderly storage of materials and fluids. Wastes will be temporarily stored in sealed containers and regularly collected and disposed of at offsite, suitable facilities. If spills occur prompt cleanup is required to minimize any commingling of waste materials with stormwater runoff. Routine maintenance will be limited to fueling and lubrication of equipment. Drip pans will be used during routine fueling and maintenance to contain spills or leaks. Any waste product from maintenance will be containerized and transported offsite for disposal or recycling. There will be no major equipment overhauls conducted onsite. Equipment will be transported offsite for major overhauls. Cleanup of trash and discarded materials will be conducted at the end of each work day. Cleanup will consist of patrolling the roadway, access areas, and other work areas to pickup trash, scrap debris, other discarded materials, and any contaminated soil. These materials will be disposed of properly.
Storm Water/Erosion Control	Stormwater management plans (SWMP) are in place to address construction, drilling and operations associated with Oil & Gas development throughout the state of Colorado in accordance with Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment (CDPHE) General Permit No. COR-039527. BMP's will be constructed around the perimeter of the site prior to, or at the beginning of construction. BMP's used will vary according to the location, and will remain in place until the pad reaches final reclamation.
Material Handling and Spill Prevention	Spill Prevention Control and Countermeasures (SPCC) plans are in place to address any possible spill associated with Oil & Gas operations throughout the state of Colorado in accordance with CFR 112.

Total: 3 comment(s)