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Colorado Oil and Gas Conservation Commission
The Chancery Building
1120 Lincoln Street, Suite 801
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Attn: Mr. David Neslin, Director

**RE: Request for exception to Wattenberg Window Rule 318A.a.
Request for exception to Twinning Rule 318A.c**

North Platte 44-11-28HZ, NE4 NE4 of Section 33, T-5N, R-63W, 6th P.M., Weld County,
Colorado

Dear Mr. Neslin:

Bonanza Creek Energy, Inc. (Bonanza) intends to drill the above referenced oil and gas well to be located as described above.

The Colorado Oil and Gas Conservation Commission (COGCC) has implemented certain rules which pre-determine the location of oil and gas wells in this area; and to which exemptions may be granted with the Surface Owner's approval.

COGCC Rule 318A.a.(1) defines a "400' Greater Wattenberg Area (GWA) Window" as "A square with sides four hundred (400) feet in length, the center of which is the center of any governmental quarter-quarter section." In order drill a horizontal well with sufficient lateral length in the producible zone; and at an orientation which provides maximum minerals recovery while maintaining proper setback from existing wells; the wellhead surface location has been staked outside of the associated GWA Window.

COGCC Rule 318A.c. requires that an exception be granted by the Surface Owner for a well permitted to be greater than 50' from an existing well in the vicinity. In order drill a horizontal well with sufficient lateral length in the producible zone; the wellhead surface location has been staked greater than 50' from the existing DOW 41-33 well.

Bonanza has received authorization from the surface owner to construct the well at the above referenced Exception Location. Bonanza respectfully requests that the COGCC review the enclosed information and approve the exception location waivers and Application for Permit to Drill the captioned well(s). Please do not hesitate to call Keith Caplan, at (720) 440-6112, should you have any questions or concerns. Your cooperation in this matter is greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,
BONANZA CREEK ENERGY, INC.



Keith S. Caplan
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