

October 24, 2011

Weld County  
Department of Planning Services  
Attn: Tom Parko  
1555 N 17<sup>th</sup> Avenue  
Greeley, CO 80631

VIA EMAIL

Re: Request for Exigent Approval per 303I.(2)  
Camp 3N-25HZ, 27C-25HZ, 29N-25HZ, 28C-25HZ Locations  
Township: 3N, Range 66W  
Section 25 SE/4 of SW/4  
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Weld County, Colorado

Dear Mr. Parko,

Kerr-McGee Oil & Gas Onshore LP ("KMG") plans to drill the above oil and gas wells beginning in November.

KMG originally received COGCC Approval of these locations without pits included in the application. Since these applications were approved, Kerr-McGee's drilling plans have changed in that an additional rig has moved into the area.

This new rig is unable to efficiently drill surface casing and therefore Kerr-McGee will need to first bring in a small rig to drill just the surface casing. Because of this, two small working pits to capture drilling mud and drill cuttings will be required to pre-drill the surface casing. These pits will be reclaimed shortly after completion of the surface casing drilling. Actual production drilling will continue to use the closed loop system as originally permitted.

In order for KMG to proceed with this plan, this signed waiver from you is required. Page one of our surface use agreement states that pits are allowed.

Thank you for your consideration.

Very truly yours,

**KERR-MCGEE OIL & GAS ONSHORE LP**

Kim M. Cooke  
Land Analyst

I/we waive the requirement as described above.

David Bauer

By: DAVID BAUER

Title: County Engineer for Weld County