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State of Colorado  
Oil & Gas Conservation Commission  
1120 Lincoln Street, Suite 801  
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Re: **Rule 318A.a., Rule 318A.c., Rule 603.a.2.**  
Carmichael 26M-223, 26U-243  
NENE, Section 26, T7N, R63W  
Weld County, Colorado

Dear Director:

Per rule 318A.a., 318A.c., 603.a.2, Petroleum Development Corporation doing business as PDC Energy ("PDC") is requesting a surface location waiver for the above-captioned wells.

The locations are planned outside of a GWA window, are not within 50' of an existing well and will be drilled closer than 150' from the nearest property line. This location is a good location to both reduce the impact on the surface owner and to increase the number of wells reachable from one well pad to minimize surface disturbance.

We respectfully request that you approve this waiver to reduce the impact on surface operations. Attached are the surface location waivers.

If you have any questions, please contact the undersigned at 303-860-5800.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Liz Lindow".

Liz Lindow  
Regulatory Analyst  
PDC Energy