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Colorado Oil and Gas Conservation Commission  
The Chancery Building  
1120 Lincoln Street, Suite 801  
Denver, CO 80203

Attn: Mr. David Neslin, Director

RE: **Request to the Director for 318A.c Twinning Location Exception**  
BOULTER G16-75HN  
Niobrara New Drill  
Township 4 North, Range 65 West, 6th P.M.  
Section 16: SW/4SE/4: 824' FSL & 1947' FEL (Surface Location)  
Section 16: SE/4SW/4: 860' FSL & 2565' FWL (Begin Production Location)  
Section 16: NE/4NW/4: 535' FNL & 2565' FWL (Bottom Hole Location)  
Weld County, Colorado

Mr. Neslin:

Noble Energy Inc. (NEI) is planning to drill the above mentioned well to the Niobrara formations.

Under the Revised Rule 318A.c any new twinning well is to be located within 50' of an existing well. The surface location of NEI's proposed well has been staked approximately 202' from the nearest oil and gas well. Noble has obtained permission, contained in a waiver from the surface owner.

Thank you for your attention to the enclosed. Noble respectfully requests that the COGCC review the enclosed information and approve the requested exception location waivers and Application for Permit to Drill the captioned well.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'Jan Kajiwaru by Mari Clark'.

Jan Kajiwaru  
Regulatory Analyst II  
Noble Energy Inc.