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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**
DECHANT H36-24
Codell/Niobrara/J Sand New Drill
Township 3 North, Range 65 West, 6th P.M.
Section 36: NE/4SW/4: 1393' FSL & 1383' FWL (Surface Location)
Section 36: SE/4SW/4: 1320' FSL & 2513' FWL (Bottom Hole Location)
Weld County, Colorado

Mr. Neslin:

Noble Energy Inc. (NEI) is planning to drill the above mentioned well to the Codell/Niobrara/J Sand 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 130' 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,

Susan Miller
Regulatory Analyst II
Noble Energy Inc.