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# State of Colorado Oil and Gas Conservation Commission

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## APPLICATION FOR PERMIT TO:

1.  Drill,  Deepen,  Re-enter,  Recomplete and Operate

### 2. TYPE OF WELL

OIL  GAS  COALBED  OTHER \_\_\_\_\_  
SINGLE ZONE  MULTIPLE  COMMINGLE

Refiling

Sidetrack

3. Name of Operator: NOBLE ENERGY INC

4. COGCC Operator Number: 100322

5. Address: 1625 BROADWAY STE 2200

City: DENVER State: CO Zip: 80202

6. Contact Name: Justin Garrett Phone: (303)228-4449 Fax: (303)228-4286

Email: JGGarrett@nobleenergyinc.com

7. Well Name: Ball Ranch Well Number: AC04-72HN

8. Unit Name (if appl): \_\_\_\_\_ Unit Number: \_\_\_\_\_

9. Proposed Total Measured Depth: 11363

## WELL LOCATION INFORMATION

10. QtrQtr: NWNW Sec: 3 Twp: 7N Rng: 63W Meridian: 6

Latitude: 40.609700 Longitude: -104.429890

Footage at Surface: 250 feet FNL 320 feet FWL

11. Field Name: Wildcat Field Number: 99999

12. Ground Elevation: 4890 13. County: WELD

### 14. GPS Data:

Date of Measurement: 09/26/2011 PDOP Reading: 2.2 Instrument Operator's Name: Robert Daley

15. If well is  Directional  Horizontal (highly deviated) **submit deviated drilling plan.**

Footage at Top of Prod Zone: FNL/FSL FEL/FWL Bottom Hole: FNL/FSL FEL/FWL  
731 FNL 650 FEL 535 FSL 660 FEL  
Sec: 4 Twp: 7N Rng: 63W Sec: 4 Twp: 7N Rng: 63W

16. Is location in a high density area? (Rule 603b)?  Yes  No

17. Distance to the nearest building, public road, above ground utility or railroad: 5281 ft

18. Distance to nearest property line: 250 ft 19. Distance to nearest well permitted/completed in the same formation(BHL): 1350 ft

## 20. LEASE, SPACING AND POOLING INFORMATION

Objective Formation(s)	Formation Code	Spacing Order Number(s)	Unit Acreage Assigned to Well	Unit Configuration (N/2, SE/4, etc.)
Niobrara	NBRR	unspaced	160	GWA

21. Mineral Ownership:  Fee  State  Federal  Indian Lease #: \_\_\_\_\_

22. Surface Ownership:  Fee  State  Federal  Indian

23. Is the Surface Owner also the Mineral Owner?  Yes  No Surface Surety ID#: \_\_\_\_\_

23a. If 23 is Yes: Is the Surface Owner(s) signature on the lease?  Yes  No

23b. If 23 is No:  Surface Owners Agreement Attached or  \$25,000 Blanket Surface Bond  \$2,000 Surface Bond  \$5,000 Surface Bond

24. Using standard QtrQtr, Sec, Twp, Rng format enter entire mineral lease description upon which this proposed wellsite is located (attach separate sheet/map if you prefer):

Please see attached lease description.

25. Distance to Nearest Mineral Lease Line: 535 ft 26. Total Acres in Lease: 3263

### DRILLING PLANS AND PROCEDURES

27. Is H2S anticipated?  Yes  No If Yes, attach contingency plan.

28. Will salt sections be encountered during drilling?  Yes  No

29. Will salt (>15,000 ppm TDS CL) or oil based muds be used during drilling?  Yes  No

30. If questions 28 or 29 are yes, is this location in a sensitive area (Rule 901.e)?  Yes  No

31. Mud disposal:  Offsite  Onsite

If 28, 29, or 30 are "Yes" a pit permit may be required.

Method:  Land Farming  Land Spreading  Disposal Facility Other: Closed loop

Note: The use of an earthen pit for Recompletion fluids requires a pit permit (Rule 905b). If air/gas drilling, notify local fire officials.

Casing Type	Size of Hole	Size of Casing	Wt/Ft	Csg/Liner Top	Setting Depth	Sacks Cmt	Cmt Btm	Cmt Top
CONDUCTOR	16+0/0	15+0/0		0	100	6	100	0
SURF	13+3/4	9+5/8	36	0	760	380	760	0
1ST	8+3/4	7+0/0	26	0	7,321	512	7,321	
1ST LINER	6+1/8	4+1/2	11.6	7133	11,363			

32. BOP Equipment Type:  Annular Preventer  Double Ram  Rotating Head  None

33. Comments First String top of cement will be 200' above Niobrara formation. The production liner will be hung off inside 7" casing. Well is part of a two-well pad consisting of the proposed Ball Ranch AC03-68HN (Doc #400236367) and Ball Ranch AC04-72HN (Doc #400236368) multi-well plan attached. The production facilities will be within the pad disturbance and dedicated to the pad being permitted. Unit Configuraton = Sec 4: E/2E/2. Wellhead is to be located outside of a GWA drilling window and will be located more than 50' from an existing well location. Noble requests an exception location to 318Aa, 318Ac. Exception request and waiver attached.

34. Location ID: \_\_\_\_\_

35. Is this application in a Comprehensive Drilling Plan ?  Yes  No

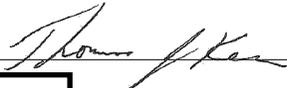
36. Is this application part of submitted Oil and Gas Location Assessment ?  Yes  No

I hereby certify all statements made in this form are, to the best of my knowledge, true, correct, and complete.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Print Name: Justin Garrett

Title: Regulatory Specialist Date: 2/1/2012 Email: JDGarrett@nobleenergyinc.

Based on the information provided herein, this Application for Permit-to-Drill complies with COGCC Rules and applicable orders and is hereby approved.

COGCC Approved:  Director of COGCC Date: 3/8/2012

API NUMBER Permit Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Expiration Date: 3/7/2014

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CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL, IF ANY: \_\_\_\_\_

All representations, stipulations and conditions of approval stated in the Form 2A for this location shall constitute representations, stipulations and conditions of approval for this Form 2 Permit-to-Drill and are enforceable to the same extent as all other representations, stipulations and conditions of approval stated in this Permit-to-Drill.

Operator must meet water well sampling requirements as per Rule 318A.

- 1) Provide 24 hour notice of MIRU to John Montoya by e-mail at John.Montoya@state.co.us. Indicate Spud Notice in the subject line and provide the following information: Operator Name, Well Name and Number, API #, Spud Date, Contact Name, Contact Phone #, Email Address.
- 2) Set at least 760' of surface casing. Cement to surface.
- 3) Provide cement coverage from base of intermediate casing to a minimum of 200' above Niobrara. Verify coverage with cement bond log.
- 3) Run and submit Directional Survey from TD to base of surface casing. Ensure that the wellbore complies with setback requirements in commission orders or rules prior to producing the well.

### **Attachment Check List**

Att Doc Num	Name
400236368	FORM 2 SUBMITTED
400247449	30 DAY NOTICE LETTER
400247452	PLAT
400247454	DEVIATED DRILLING PLAN
400247455	MULTI-WELL PLAN
400247456	SURFACE AGRMT/SURETY
400247458	EXCEPTION LOC WAIVERS
400247459	EXCEPTION LOC REQUEST
400247462	DIRECTIONAL DATA
400247467	LEGAL/LEASE DESCRIPTION
400247473	PROPOSED SPACING UNIT

Total Attach: 11 Files

### **General Comments**

<b><u>User Group</u></b>	<b><u>Comment</u></b>	<b><u>Comment Date</u></b>
Permit	No LGD or public comment received; final review completed.	3/7/2012 7:09:13 AM

Total: 1 comment(s)

## BMP

<u>Type</u>	<u>Comment</u>
General Housekeeping	Housekeeping will consist of neat and orderly storage of materials and fluids. Wastes will be temporarily stored in sealed containers and regularly collected and disposed of at offsite, suitable facilities. If spills occur prompt cleanup is required to minimize any commingling of waste materials with stormwater runoff. Routine maintenance will be limited to fueling and lubrication of equipment. Drip pans will be used during routine fueling and maintenance to contain spills or leaks. Any waste product from maintenance will be containerized and transported offsite for disposal or recycling. There will be no major equipment overhauls conducted onsite. Equipment will be transported offsite for major overhauls. Cleanup of trash and discarded materials will be conducted at the end of each work day. Cleanup will consist of patrolling the roadway, access areas, and other work areas to pickup trash, scrap debris, other discarded materials, and any contaminated soil. These materials will be disposed of properly.
Storm Water/Erosion Control	Stormwater management plans (SWMP) are in place to address construction, drilling and operations associated with Oil & Gas development throughout the state of Colorado in accordance with Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment (CDPHE) General Permit No. COR- 038637. BMP's will be constructed around the perimeter of the site prior to, or at the beginning of construction. BMP's used will vary according to the location, and will remain in place until the pad reaches final reclamation.
Material Handling and Spill Prevention	Spill Prevention Control and Countermeasures (SPCC) plans are in place to address any possible spill associated with Oil & Gas operations throughout the state of Colorado in accordance with CFR 112.

Total: 3 comment(s)