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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

PluggingBond SuretyID

20030009

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: Wells Ranch Well Number: AE05-12

8. Unit Name (if appl): _____ Unit Number: _____

9. Proposed Total Measured Depth: 7090

WELL LOCATION INFORMATION

10. QtrQtr: NWSW Sec: 5 Twp: 6N Rng: 62W Meridian: 6

Latitude: 40.513490 Longitude: -104.353940

Footage at Surface: 1836 feet FSL 565 feet FWL

11. Field Name: Wattenberg Field Number: 90750

12. Ground Elevation: 4966 13. County: WELD

14. GPS Data:

Date of Measurement: 02/08/2011 PDOP Reading: 2.5 Instrument Operator's Name: Brian T. Brinkman

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 _____

Sec: _____ Twp: _____ Rng: _____ Sec: _____ Twp: _____ Rng: _____

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: 3440 ft

18. Distance to nearest property line: 565 ft 19. Distance to nearest well permitted/completed in the same formation(BHL): 5200 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.)
Codell	CODL	GWA	80	W/2SW4
Niobrara	NBRR	GWA	80	W/2SW4

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):

T6N-R62W Sec 5: Lots 1,2,3,4,S/2N/2, S/2

25. Distance to Nearest Mineral Lease Line: 565 ft 26. Total Acres in Lease: 639

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
SURF	12+1/4	8+5/8	24	0	675	236	675	0
1ST	7+7/8	4+1/2	11.6	0	7,090	635	7,090	

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

33. Comments Conductor Casing will not be used. First String top of cement will be 200' above Niobrara formation.

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: 3/1/2011 Email: JDGarrett@nobleenergyinc.co

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: David S. Neslin Director of COGCC Date: 3/30/2011

API NUMBER

05 123 33225 00

Permit Number: _____ Expiration Date: 3/29/2013

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.

Note surface casing setting depth change from 570' to 675'. Increase cement coverage accordingly and cement to surface. 1) Provide 24 hr notice of spud and if DA to Bo Brown at 970-392-4124 or e-mail at bo.brown@state.co.us. 2) Set surface casing per Rule 317d, setting surface casing less than the approved depth is a permit violation unless prior written approval is obtained from the COGCC. 3) If completed, provide cement coverage from TD to a minimum of 200' above the Niobrara. Verify coverage with cement bond log. 4) If dry hole, 40 sks cement 50' above Niobrara top, tag 50 sks cement ½ out, ½ in surface casing, 10 sks cement top of surface casing, cut 4' below GL, weld on plate, 5 sks cement in rat hole & 5 sks cement in mouse hole. Restore location.

Attachment Check List

Att Doc Num	Name
2111242	SURFACE CASING CHECK
400136308	FORM 2 SUBMITTED
400136322	30 DAY NOTICE LETTER
400136323	PLAT
400137898	SURFACE AGRMT/SURETY

Total Attach: 5 Files

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