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State of Colorado, Oil & Gas Conservation Commission
Attn: Director
1120 Lincoln Street, Suite 801
Denver, CO 80203

Re: **Letter to the Director, Rule 318A.m.**
Schaefer 10E-223
NWNW, Section 10, T6N, R63W
Weld County, Colorado

Dear Director:

Per rule 318A.m., Petroleum Development Corporation doing business as PDC Energy ("PDC") is requesting a GWA Minimum Intrawell Distance waiver for the above-captioned well. The proposed well will be less than 150' to Cornish 12-10 (API 123-24388), which is located in the SWNW of Section 10 T6N R63W and operated by PDC. Since the encroached well is operated by the same operator as the proposed well, no other waivers are needed.

Proposed Anti-Collision Mitigation BMP:

Prior to drilling operations, Operator will perform an anti-collision scan of existing offset wells that have the potential of being within close proximity of the proposed well. This anti-collision scan will include definitive MWD or gyro surveys of the offset wells with included error of uncertainty per survey instrument, and compared against the proposed wellpath with its respective error of uncertainty. If current surveys do not exist for the offset wells, Operator may have gyro surveys conducted to verify bottomhole location. The proposed well will only be drilled if the anti-collision scan results indicate that there is not a risk for collision, or harm to people or the environment. For the proposed well, upon conclusion of drilling operations, an as-constructed gyro survey will be submitted to COGCC with the Form 5.

Due to the reasons above, PDC respectfully requests that you approve this waiver.

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