



June 12, 2012

Department of Natural Resources
Oil and Gas Conservation Commission
The Chancery Building
1120 Lincoln St., Suite 801
Denver, CO 80203

Re: Operator Request Letter to Rule 318A.m.
Raymond 36N-29HZ
Township 3 North, Range 66 West
Section 29: NW/4NE/4
Weld County, Colorado

Ladies/Gentlemen:

Kerr-McGee Oil & Gas Onshore LP (KMG) is making application for a drilling permit for the above captioned well. As currently planned, the wellbore(s) of the following well(s) will lie within 150 feet of the horizontal lateral of the captioned well(s):

1. 05-123-30632 MILLER 21-29 Kerr-McGee Oil & Gas Onshore LP
2. 05-123-29721 MILLER L 29-24 Noble Energy, Inc.
3. 05-123-30856 MILLER L 29-24D Noble Energy, Inc.

Prior to drilling operations, Operator will perform an anti-collision review of existing offset wells that have the potential of being within close proximity of the proposed well. This anti-collision review may include MWD or gyro surveys and surface locations 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 review results indicate that the risk of collision is sufficiently low as defined by the anti-collision plan, with separation factors greater than 1.5, or if the risk of collision has been mitigated through other means including shutting in wells, plugging wells, increased drilling fluid in the event of lost returns or as is appropriate for the specific situation. In the event of an increased risk of collision, that risk will be mitigated to prevent harm to people, the environment or property. For the proposed well, upon conclusion of

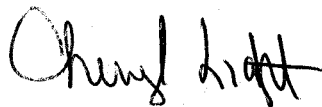
drilling operations, an as-constructed directional survey will be submitted to COGCC with the Form 5.

Rule 318A.m of the Colorado Oil and Gas Commission's Rules and Regulations does not allow horizontal wells to be drilled within 150' of other wells unless this requirement is waived by the Operator of the encroached upon well(s). Signed written waiver(s) of the encroached upon well(s) are attached to the APD.

KMG respectfully requests the Director to accept this Operator Request Letter to allow the above referenced well to be drilled within 150' of the well(s) listed above.

Very truly yours,

Kerr-McGee Oil & Gas Onshore LP

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Cheryl Light", with a stylized, cursive script.

Cheryl Light
Senior Regulatory Analyst

150 ft Waiver -Stipulations to Agreement

Liability:

Notwithstanding anything contained to the contrary in any Joint Operating Agreement entered into by Noble Energy, Inc. (Vertical Operator) and Kerr McGee Onshore Oil & Gas, LP. (Horizontal Operator) covering the Raymond 36N-29HZ well, any damage caused to the Noble operated Miller L 29-24 (API No. 05-123-29721) and/or the Miller L 29-24D (API No. 05-123-30856) directly attributed to the drilling of the Raymond 36N-29HZ well shall be the sole responsibility of Kerr McGee Onshore Oil & Gas, L.P., and as between Kerr McGee and Noble, Kerr McGee agrees to accept sole liability for such damage.

Responsibilities & Costs:

The Horizontal Operator will determine if cased well directional surveys (gyros) need to be performed on the vertical wells in question. If required, the work will be executed by the Vertical Operator on a schedule mutually agreed to by the Vertical Operator and the Horizontal Operator. A flat rate fee of \$15,000/well will be charged to the joint account of the subject horizontal wellbore for gyros surveys for all vertical wells within 150' of the horizontal wellbore that require gyros surveys

Technical Research:

The Horizontal Operator will be responsible for technical review and risk assessment of conducting horizontal operations near said vertical wellbores. This review will include consideration of vertical wellhead pressure ratings, collision risk, and wellbore cement and general integrity including surface casing depth. Horizontal Operators execution hereof shall serve as Horizontal Operators request for all pertinent well data from the Vertical Operator.

Timing:

At least 30 days prior to the horizontal well spud date and at least 60 days prior to its completion date, the Vertical Operator shall be notified. The purpose of this notification is to ensure that Vertical Operator equips the vertical wells for monitoring. In heavy agricultural use areas, additional time may be required to plan and access wellheads.

Election:

Horizontal Operator Agrees to the Stipulations set forth above


Kerr McGee Oil & Gas Onshore L.P.

5/29/12

Accepted and Agreed to this 31st day of May, 2012.


Noble Energy, Inc.