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BEFORE THE OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF COLORADO

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IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION)
OF WASHINGTON ENERGY EXPLORATION,)
INC., FOR AN ORDER AUTHORIZING)
THE DRILLING OF A WELL TO TEST)
THE DAKOTA FORMATION TO BE)
LOCATED AT AN EXCEPTION LOCATION)
OF 1,524 FEET FROM THE NORTH LINE)
AND 620 FEET FROM THE WEST LINE,)
IN THE SW/4NW/4 OF SECTION 28,)
TOWNSHIP 5 NORTH, RANGE 98 WEST,)
MOFFAT COUNTY, COLORADO.)

CAUSE NO. 1

Doc. No. 10-23

APPLICATION AND REQUEST FOR EMERGENCY HEARING

COMES NOW Washington Energy Exploration, Inc. ("Applicant"), by and through its attorneys, Burns, Wall, Smith and Mueller, P.C., and in support of this Application states and alleges as follows:

1. Applicant is the owner of Federal Oil and Gas Lease No. C-51032 covering, among other lands, the SW/4NW/4 of Section 28, Township 5 North, Range 98 West, Moffat County, Colorado. Said Lease expires November 1, 1992.

2. The Applicant also owns four fee Oil and Gas Leases covering 7/8 of the minerals in the NW/4NW/4 of Section 28, Township 5 North, Range 98 West, Moffat County, Colorado. The minerals underlying such lease are owned by the interest parties shown on Exhibit "A" attached hereto and made a part hereof.

3. Applicant proposes to drill the Pinon Federal #12-28 Well to a depth of 5,700 feet to test the Dakota formation.

4. The Pinon Federal #12-28 Well is proposed to be located at a spot 1,524 feet from the North line and 620 feet from the West line in the SW/4NW/4 of Section 28, Township 5 North, Range 98 West, Moffat County, Colorado.

5. Pursuant to Commission Rule 318, all wells drilled for oil or gas to a common source of supply in excess of 2,500 feet in depth are to be located not less than 600 feet from any lease line.

6. The Pinon Federal #12-28 Well will be located only 204 feet South of the lease line between the NW/4NW/4 of Section 28 and SW/4NW/4 of Section 28.

7. The exception location is necessitated by topographic considerations. A steep ridge runs northeast to southwest through the center of the quarter-quarter section making it impracticable to make a well site at a legal location. Additionally, the selected location will allow Applicant to make use of an existing access road.

8. Applicant has been unable to secure consents to this location from the interested parties set forth on Exhibit "A" attached hereto. Therefore, a Commission Order authorizing the exception location is being applied for.

9. In accordance with Commission Rule 114.e. the parties set forth on Exhibit "A" are the leased and unleased mineral interest owners of the contiguous tract toward which the well location is proposed to be moved. Applicant is unaware of any other interested parties.

10. Because of the lease expiring on November 1, 1992, request is made for an emergency hearing at the regularly scheduled October hearing of the Oil and Gas Conservation Commission.

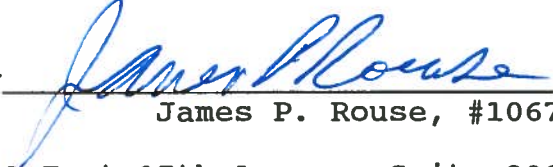
11. The granting of this Application is necessary to protect Applicant's leasehold rights and to protect correlative rights and to prevent waste.

WHEREFORE, Applicant requests that this Commission enter an Order authorizing the drilling of the Pinon Federal #12-28 Well at an exception location 1,524 feet from the North line and 620 feet from the West line in the SW/4NW/4 of Section 28, Township 5 North, Range 98 West, Moffat County, Colorado.

DATED this 5th day of October, 1992.

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