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Attn: Matthew Lepore, Director

RE: Request to the Director for 318A(I).a Surface Location Exception (Outside 318A Drilling Window)
Niobrara Horizontal Well New Drills

State North Platte 41-26 Pad
State North Platte 41-44-26HNB SHL: NENE (878' FNL, 763' FEL) Sec 26-5N-63W, 6TH PM

Director Lepore:

Bonanza Creek Energy, Inc. ("Bonanza") intends to drill the above referenced horizontal oil and gas well(s) to the Niobrara Formation from a well pad to be located as described above. The proposed location is being permitted as an exception location, in an effort to optimize the lateral length of the associated horizontal well(s). Bonanza Creek has obtained written permission in a waiver from the owner.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. Bonanza respectfully requests that the COGCC review the enclosed information and approve the Exception Location Variance and Application for Permit to Drill the captioned well(s).

Sincerely,

BONANZA CREEK ENERGY, INC.
BONANZA CREEK ENERGY OPERATING COMPANY, LLC.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Randy Edelen".

Randy Edelen, PE
Regulatory Specialist