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Colorado Oil and Gas Conservation Commission  
1120 Lincoln Street, Suite 801  
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**RE: Request for Surface Location Exception - Outside 318A.a Drilling Window and Twinning Rule 318A.c.(2)**

**Postal IC East Pad 11-33HN  
Postal IC East Tank Battery 11-33HN**

Township 6 North, Range 67 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M.  
Section 12  
Weld County, Colorado

Dear Director:

Great Western Operating Company, LLC is planning to drill the above mentioned well to the Niobrara formation.

The surface location of Great Western's proposed wells has been staked outside of the 318A.a drilling window. The location is being permitted as an exception location. This location is a good location to both reduce the impact on the surface owner and to increase the number of wells reachable from one well pad to minimize surface disturbance.

Rule 318Ac(2) of the Colorado Oil and Gas Conservation Commission (COGCC) Rules and Regulations requiring the wells drilled greater than 50 feet from a well unless safety or mechanical consideration of the well to be twinned or topographical or surface constrains justify a location greater than 50 feet the operator shall provide consent to the exception signed by the surface owner on which the well is proposed to be located in order for the Director to approve the well location. Please find the attached signed location 318Ac(2) waiver.

Great Western Oil and Gas Company, LLC respectfully request that the COGCC review the enclosed information and approve the requested exception location waiver for the above captioned wells locations.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Shannon Hartnett". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Shannon" being more prominent than the last name "Hartnett".

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Great Western Operating Company, LLC