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 Permit/Completion
 Colorado Oil and Gas Conservation Commission
 1120 Lincoln Street, Suite 801
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Dear Ms. Freeman:

The U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) Office of Legacy Management (LM) has performed a preliminary review of the new wells proposed by Caerus Oil and Gas LLC and the well location information provided by the Colorado Oil and Gas Conservation Commission (COGCC). The table below indicates the planned surface and bottom hole locations for gas wells to be drilled near the Rulison, Colorado, Site. LM reviewed the location information and determined that all of the wells are within section 9 and 10 of the COGCC Tier II sampling area.

API		APDS in Processing				Bottom Hole Location		PreScreen DOE Notice	DOE Notice	DOE Notice
05-045	Refile	Operator	Well Name	Well #	SHL Location	N Latitude	W Longitude	Date	Date	Operator
	No	Caerus	Battlement Mesa	22A-26-795	NWSW Sec 26 7S 95W	39.4111707	-107.966668			
	No	Caerus	Battlement Mesa	11C-26-795	NWSW Sec 26 7S 95W	39.4134702	-107.9713062			
	No	Caerus	Battlement Mesa	11D-26-795	NWSW Sec 26 7S 95W	39.4125642	-107.97131			
	No	Caerus	Battlement Mesa	12A-26-795	NWSW Sec 26 7S 95W	39.4116582	-107.9713139			
	No	Caerus	Battlement Mesa	41D-27-795	NWSW Sec 26 7S 95W	39.4122095	-107.9759728			
	No	Caerus	Battlement Mesa	42A-27-795	NWSW Sec 26 7S 95W	39.4113582	-107.9759672			
	No	Caerus	Battlement Mesa	42B-27-795	NWSW Sec 26 7S 95W	39.4105891	-107.9759579			
	No	Caerus	Battlement Mesa	42C-27-795	NWSW Sec 26 7S 95W	39.4098242	-107.9759485			
	No	Caerus	Battlement Mesa	42D-27-795	NWSW Sec 26 7S 95W	39.408918	-107.9759452			
	No	Caerus	Battlement Mesa	43A-27-795	NWSW Sec 26 7S 95W	39.4079254	-107.9759457			
	No	Caerus	Battlement Mesa	43B-27-795	NWSW Sec 26 7S 95W	39.4070192	-107.9759424			
	No	Caerus	Battlement Mesa	43C-27-795	NWSW Sec 26 7S 95W	39.4061994	-107.9759354			
	No	Caerus	Battlement Mesa	43D-27-795	NWSW Sec 26 7S 95W	39.4052932	-107.9759321			
	No	Caerus	Battlement Mesa	44A-27-795	NWSW Sec 26 7S 95W	39.404387	-107.9759288			
	No	Caerus	Battlement Mesa	44B-27-795	NWSW Sec 26 7S 95W	39.4034808	-107.9759255			
	No	Caerus	Battlement Mesa	44D-27-795	NWSW Sec 26 7S 95W	39.4016684	-107.9759189			
	No	Caerus	Battlement Mesa	26K SWD	NWSW Sec 26 7S 95W	39.406067	-107.9713765			

Abbreviations:

API =American Petroleum Institute/ The API Well Numbers are assigned by the appropriate state or federal regulatory agency.

All surface drill pads locations are within NWSW Sec 26 7S 94, with bottom hole locations within Section 26 and 27. The proposed Battlement Mesa well location 22A-26-795 (API# 05-045) would be the closest to the Rulison site; that bottom hole location is approximately 1.08 miles from the site.

At this time, LM is not requesting any additional information but requests that COGCC place general language, requiring that the company accommodate DOE sampling requests in the future, in the permit. LM will continue to review the proposed locations and subsurface orientations of the proposed drilling to look for any potential problems involving future LM sampling at the Rulison site.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on these well permit applications. Please contact me at (970) 248-6034 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,
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