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**Oil & Gas Conservation  
Commission**

Department of Natural Resources

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**WARNING LETTER #2193228**

February 11, 2016

Mid-Con Energy Operating LLC  
Attn: Ms. Jenny Buttram  
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Tulsa, OK 74136

Well: HRMU #11  
API #: 05-017-07793  
NWNW Section 13 T13S R43W

This Warning Letter is to inform you that the oil and gas facility or the oil and gas operations listed above may be in violation of the rules and regulations of the Colorado Oil and Conservation Commission (“COGCC”) and corrective action is required.

**Rule(s) Citation:**

A review of COGCC records indicates that Mid-Con Energy Operating LLC (Mid-Con) has not met the groundwater sampling requirements under COGCC Rule 609. The Applications for Permit to Drill (APD(s)) for the well(s) in the table below were submitted after May 1, 2013 and are subject to COGCC Rule 609 sampling requirements.

| Operator                     | Operator # | API #        | Well Name        | Form 2 Submit Date | Spud Date  | Sample Due Date | Rule |
|------------------------------|------------|--------------|------------------|--------------------|------------|-----------------|------|
| MID-CON ENERGY OPERATING LLC | 10142      | 05-017-07793 | Mid-Con HRMU #11 | 06/19/2014         | 08/12/2014 | 11/10/2014      | 609  |

In order to comply with Rule 609 Mid-Con was required to either:



- Collect a groundwater samples prior to spudding the oil/gas well and submit the analytical data no later than 90 days after the samples were collected, or
- Submit a Sundry Notice requesting an exception(s) to Rule 609 prior to the well being spud.

At this time, COGCC records do not indicate that samples have been submitted or a Sundry Notice filed within the time specified by Rule 609. Failure to provide the required information is a violation of COGCC Rules and will result in enforcement action if not addressed.

**How to Comply with this Warning Letter:**

The COGCC requires Mid-Con to implement the following corrective action(s):

- Submit analytical data from groundwater samples collected prior to spud, or
- Submit a Sundry Notice requesting exceptions to Rule 609.

Any Sundry Notice submitted on behalf of Mid-Con for the above referenced location(s) will need to include documentation that Mid-Con made a good faith effort to collect a sample prior to well spud.

**Corrective Action Deadline: March 11, 2016.**

**Failure to Comply with Warning Letter:**

If Mid-Con fails to perform the required corrective actions or cannot provide documentation of a good faith effort to comply with Rule 609 prior to spud, the COGCC will issue a Notice of Alleged Violation and seek penalties pursuant to § 34-60-121, C.R.S. and Rule 523, COGCC Rules of Practice and Procedure, 2 CCR 404-1. (Please note that the COGCC's penalty authority was recently increased to a maximum of \$15,000 per day and penalties are no longer capped at a maximum of \$10,000 per violation.)

If you have any procedural questions about this Warning Letter, please contact Steven Mah, Enforcement Team NOAV Specialist, at 303-894-2100 x5172. If you have any technical questions about this Warning Letter, please contact Arthur Koepsell at 303-894-2100 x5148.

Sincerely,



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