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Colorado Oil and Gas Conservation Commission  
The Chancery Building  
1120 Lincoln Street, Suite 801  
Denver, CO 80203  
Attn: Mr. Matt Lepore, Director

RE: **Request to the Director for 318A.a Exception Location (Outside 318A Drilling Window)**  
**Request to the Director for 318A.c Twinning Location Exception**  
**Wells on Y16-27 Pad location:**

Hullabaloo State Y21-746 Ref, doc no. 401253917, Hullabaloo State Y21-736, doc no. 401255566,  
Hullabaloo State Y21-726, doc no. 401255603, Hullabaloo State Y21-716, doc no. 401246151,  
Rubicon State Y16-738, doc no. 401256315, Rubicon State Y16-731, doc no. 401256940,  
Rubicon State Y16-725, doc no. 401256957, Rubicon State Y16-718, doc no. 401257012  
Section 16: NE/4NE/4 Township 2 North, Range 64 West, 6th P.M.  
Weld County, Colorado

Dear Director:

Noble Energy, Inc. is planning to drill the subject horizontal wells. The surface locations of Noble Energy Inc.'s proposed wells noted above have been staked outside of the 318A.a drilling window, per the surface owner's request, and are being permitted as exception locations. In addition, under COGCC Rule 318A.c., any new Twinning well is to be located within 50 feet of an existing well. Noble Energy Inc.'s proposed wells are located greater than fifty feet from the nearest Oil & Gas well. Therefore, Noble Energy Inc. has obtained written permission from the surface owner by way of a Surface Use Agreement. Please see Page 5, Section 6 of the Surface Use Agreement for the waiver language pertaining to Rule 318A.a and Rule 318A.c.

Noble Energy Inc. respectfully requests the COGCC to review the enclosed information and approve the requested exception location and Application for Permit to Drill for each of the wells on the subject pad.

**NOBLE ENERGY, INC.**

Respectfully,

*Susan Miller*

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Regulatory Analyst