



VIA EFORMS

Mr. Matt Lepore
Colorado Oil & Gas Conservation Commission
1120 Lincoln Street, Suite 801
Denver, CO 80203

November 1, 2017

RE: Rule 303.i(2) Request
SandRidge Exploration & Production, LLC
Beaver Creek 0881-1-3H34
API No. 05-057-06602-01
Document Number: 401443626
SHL: 388' FNL 2,524' FEL (NW/4 NE/4)
Sec. 10 T7N R81W
BHL: ±100' FNL ±330' FEL (NE/4 NE/4)
Sec. 34 T8N R81W
Jackson County, Colorado
Surface: Fee
SH Mineral Lease: Fee
Through Federal Mineral Lease: COC76486
BH Mineral Lease: Fee
Beaver Creek Federal Unit: COC78187X

Dear Mr. Lepore:

SandRidge Exploration & Production, LLC (SandRidge) respectfully requests that the Director grant an Application for Permit to Drill (APD) approval per the Colorado Oil and Gas Conservation Commission (COGCC) 303.i(2) for the above referenced well.

The well was originally permitted as a single horizontal wellbore. SandRidge has changed their drilling plans for this well, preferring to drill a pilot wellbore with a horizontal lateral sidetrack wellbore. A Sundry Notice, Form 4 has been submitted to change the permitted single horizontal wellbore to a directional pilot hole. The location for this well has been built. SandRidge has a rig under contract with an anticipated spud date of November 7, 2017 for the pilot hole. The pilot hole is expected to be drilled, logged, and ready to sidetrack within 5 days from spud.

COGCC Rule 303.i. **Special circumstances for permit issuance without notice or consultation** states, "The Director may issue a permit at any time in the event that an operator files a sworn statement and demonstrates therein to the Director's satisfaction that:

(2) Due to exigent circumstances (including a recent change in geological interpretation), significant economic hardship to a drilling contractor will result or significant economic hardship to an operator in the form of drilling stand by charges will result.

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In this case, SandRidge will be financially responsible for rig standby charges while waiting for the approval of the sidetrack wellbore permit following a 20-day comment period. The original permit application for a single horizontal wellbore had a complete 20-day comment period.

SandRidge respectfully requests that the director issue the permit without meeting the obligations to Surface Owners, local governmental designees, the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment, or Colorado Parks and Wildlife under Rule 305 (except Rules 305.f.(4) and 305.f.(6), for which compliance will still be required) and 306.

SandRidge is attaching the waivers of the 20-day comment period from the surface owner and the Local Government Designee.

I, Kimberly Rodell, do swear that the attached letter subscribed by me and the contents thereof, are based upon information provided me by SandRidge Exploration & Production, LLC, to the best of my knowledge, information and belief, the matters therein stated are true and correct.

Please send a copy of all correspondence to Upstream Petroleum Management, Inc. at 7000 S. Yosemite St., Suite 290B, Englewood, CO 80112. Please contact me at 303-942-0506 or at krodell@upstreampm.com if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Kimberly Rodell". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Kimberly Rodell
Permit Agent for SandRidge Exploration & Production, LLC



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