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BEFORE THE OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF COLORADO

IN THE MATTER OF THE PROMULGATION AND ESTABLISHMENT OF FIELD RULES TO GOVERN OPERATIONS IN THE WATTENBERG FIELD, WELD COUNTY, COLORADO	))))	CAUSE NOS. 1 AND 407 DOCKET NO. 0701-UP-02

NOTICE OF HEARING

TO ALL INTERESTED PARTIES AND TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

On November 18, 1985, the Commission issued Order No. 407-1 (amended on March 29, 2000) which established 80-acre drilling and spacing units for the production of oil and/or gas and associated hydrocarbons for the Codell and Niobrara Formations underlying certain lands, including Section 17, Township 5 North, Range 65 West, 6th P.M., with the unit to be designated by the operator upon drilling the first well in the quarter section. The permitted well shall be located in the center of either 40-acre tract within the unit with a tolerance of 200 feet in any direction. The operator shall have the option to drill an additional well on the undrilled 40-acre tract in each 80-acre drilling and spacing unit.

Rule 318.a. of the Rules and Regulations of the Commission requires that wells drilled in excess of two thousand five hundred (2,500) feet in depth be located not less than six hundred (600) feet from any lease line, and located not less than one thousand two hundred (1,200) feet from any other producible or drilling oil or gas well when drilling to the same common source of supply. The S½ NE¼ of Section 17, Township 5 North, Range 65 West, 6th P.M., is subject to this Rule for the Sussex, "J" Sand and Dakota Formations.

On April 27, 1998, the Commission adopted Rule 318A., which, among other things, allowed certain drilling locations to be utilized to drill or twin a well, deepen a well or recomplete a well and to commingle any or all of the Cretaceous Age Formations from the base of the Dakota Formation to the surface. On December 5, 2005, Rule 318A. was amended to, among other things, allow interior infill and boundary wells to be drilled and wellbore spacing units to be established. Section 17, Township 5 North, Range 65 West, 6th P.M. was included in this Rule.

On October 23, 2006, Mineral Resources, Inc. ("Mineral Resources"), by its attorney, filed with the Commission a verified application for an order to establish a 160-acre drilling and spacing unit consisting of the S½ NE¼ and N½ SE¼ of Section 17, Township 5 North, Range 65 West, 6th P.M. as a wellbore spacing unit for the production from the Sussex, Codell, Niobrara, "J" Sand or Dakota Formations, and for an order to pool all nonconsenting interests in the 160-acre drilling and spacing unit for the development and operation of said formations.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the Oil and Gas Conservation Commission of the State of Colorado, pursuant to the above, has scheduled the above-entitled matter for hearing on:

Date:	Monday, January 8, 2007 Tuesday, January 9, 2007
Time:	9:00 a.m.
Place:	Suite 801, The Chancery Building 1120 Lincoln Street Denver, Colorado 80203

In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, if any party requires special accommodations as a result of a disability for this hearing, please contact Margaret Humecki at (303) 894-2100 ext. 139, prior to the hearing and arrangements will be made.

Pursuant to said hearing in the above-entitled matter at the time and place aforesaid, or at any adjourned meeting, the Commission will enter such orders as it deems appropriate to protect the health, safety and welfare of the public and to prevent the waste of oil and gas, either or both, in the operations of said field, and to carry out the purposes of the statute.

In accordance with Rule 509., any interested party desiring to protest the granting of the application or to intervene on the application should file with the

Commission a written protest or intervention no later than December 22, 2006, briefly stating the basis of the protest or intervention. Such interested party shall, at the same time, serve a copy of the protest or intervention to the person filing the application. An original and nine (9) copies shall be filed with the Commission (Rule 503.). **Anyone who files a protest or intervention must be able to participate in a prehearing conference during the week of December 26, 2006.** Pursuant to Rule 503.f., if a party who has received notice under Rule 503.b. wishes to receive further pleadings in the above-referenced matter, that party must file a protest or intervention in accordance with these rules. In accordance with the practices of the Commission, should no protests or interventions be filed in this matter by **December 22, 2006, the Applicant may request that an administrative hearing be scheduled for the week of December 26, 2006.** In the alternative, pursuant to Rule 511.b., if the matter is uncontested, the applicant may request, and the Director may recommend approval on the basis of the merits of the verified application and the supporting exhibits.

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Dated at Suite 801
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STATE OF COLORADO
City and County of Denver

I John Rhoades of the City and County of Denver State of Colorado being duly sworn upon oath say that I am the Publishing Director of The Daily Journal that I have personal knowledge of all the facts set forth in this affidavit that said The Daily Journal is a public newspaper of general circulation having its principal office and place of business situated in said City and County of Denver that said The Daily Journal is printed and published daily except Saturdays Sundays and legal holidays that said The Daily Journal is a daily newspaper within the meaning of the act of the General Assembly of the State of Colorado approved April 7 1921 and entitled "An Act Concerning Legal Notices Advertisements and Publications and the Fees of Printers and Publishers Thereof and to Repeal All Acts and Parts of Acts in Conflict with the Provisions of This Act" and as amended by an act of said General Assembly entitled "An Act to Amend An Act Entitled An Act Concerning Legal Notices Advertisements and Publications and the Fees of Printers and Publishers Thereof and to Repeal All Acts and Parts of Acts in Conflict with the Provisions of this Act " approved March 30 1923 and as amended by an act of said General Assembly approved May 18 1931 entitled, "An Act to Amend Section 4 of Chapter 139 Session Laws of Colorado 1923 Relating to Legal Notices and Advertisements," which said Act took effect on and after the first day of January 1932 and as amended by an act of said General Assembly entitled "An Act to Amend Chapter 139 of the Session Laws of 1923 Relating to Legal Notices and Advertisements to Define Newspapers Qualified to Publish Legal Notices and Advertisements and the Fees of Printers and Publishers Thereof and to Provide That the Costs of Such Legal Notices and Advertisements Shall Be Taxed as Fees " approved March 5 1935 and as amended by an act of said General Assembly entitled "An Act Relating to Legal Notices and Advertisements and Amending Section 1 of Chapter 113 Session Laws of 1931 approved March 25 1935 and "An Act to Amend and as Amended by the General Assembly concerning Rates for Legal Publications 109-1 7 C R S 1963 as amended approved May 22 1971 and effective January 1 1972 " that said newspaper had prior to January 1 1936 and has ever since said date been admitted to the United States Mails as second class matter under the provisions of the Act of March 3 1879 or any amendments thereof that said newspaper is printed and published in whole in said City and County of Denver and has a general circulation therein that said newspaper has been so printed and published as a public daily newspaper of general circulation in said City and County of Denver uninterruptedly and continuously during the period of more than fifty-two consecutive weeks next prior to the first issue thereof containing the annexed legal notice and advertisement that said legal notice and advertisement was published daily except Saturdays Sundays and legal holidays in the regular edition of said newspaper for one day that the publication of said legal notice and advertisement appeared in the regular edition of said newspaper on the 12 day of December A D 20 06 and that therefore said legal notice and advertisement was duly published in a newspaper duly qualified for that purpose within the meaning of said above mentioned acts of the General Assembly of the State of Colorado.

Subscribed and sworn to at the City and County of Denver, State of Colorado before me a Notary Public this 13 day of December A D 20 06

Witness my hand and notarial seal

Karen S. Johnson
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My Commission Expires July 9 2007

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