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## NOTICE OF ALLEGED VIOLATION - ISSUED

Per Rule 522, the Director has reasonable cause to believe that a violation of the Act, or of any Commission rule, order, or permit has occurred, the Director will require the operator to remedy the violation and may commence an enforcement action seeking penalties by issuing a Notice of Alleged Violation (NOAV). Per Rule 523, an operator who violates the Act, or a Commission rule, order, or permit may be subject to a penalty imposed by Commission order.

### OPERATOR INFORMATION

OGCC Operator Number: 100322

Name of Operator: NOBLE ENERGY INC

Address: 1001 NOBLE ENERGY WAY

City: HOUSTON State: TX Zip: 77070

Contact Name and Telephone:

Name: CRAIG RICHARDSON

Phone: (303) 228-4232 Fax: ( )

Email: craig.richardson@nblenergy.com

### Well Location, or Facility Information (if applicable):

API Number: 05- - -00

Facility or Location ID: 250569

Name: RUFF

Number: 8-714

QtrQtr: SWNE

Sec: 8

Twp: 4N

Range: 64W

Meridian: 6

County: WELD

### ALLEGED VIOLATION

Rule: 210.b

Rule Description: Signs & Markers- Wells & Batteries

Initial Discovery Date:

Was this violation self-reported by the operator? No

Date of Violation:

Approximate Time of Violation:

Was this a discrete violation of obvious duration? No

Description of Alleged Violation:

Pursuant to Rule 210.b., within 60 days after the completion of a well or the installation of a battery, Noble Energy Inc ("Operator") shall install permanent signage at the wellhead and/or battery. This signage shall provide, among other required information, the name of Operator, a phone number at which Operator can be reached at all times, and a phone number for local emergency services (911 where available).

COGCC staff performed a routine inspection of the facility.

COGCC Staff inspected the wellhead and observed deficient signage:

Field Inspection Report No.: 699100256

Inspection date: October 02, 2019

Observations: No sign at wellhead, Operator did not provide emergency contact number.

COGCC Staff re-inspected the wellhead and observed deficient signage:

Field Inspection Report No.: 699100614

Inspection date: November 19, 2019

Observations: No sign at wellhead, Operator did not provide emergency contact number.

Operator failed to install permanent signage with the required information at the wellhead, violating Rule 210.b.

Abatement or Corrective Action Required to be Performed by Operator:

Corrective Action Due Date: 02/17/2020

**Proper and timely abatement does not preclude the assessment of penalties and an Order Finding Violation.**

Operator shall install signage that provides emergency contact information, including a phone number at which the Operator can be reached at all times and a phone number for local emergency services.

### PENALTY

Penalties for violations alleged in this NOAV will be calculated pursuant to Rule 523, with daily penalties accruing pursuant to Section 34-60-121(1), C.R.S.

### ANSWER

Pursuant to Rule 522.d.(2), the operator must file an Answer to this NOAV within 28 days of its receipt, or a default judgement may be entered. Hard copy answers are filed with the Commission Secretary at the Commission's Denver office and should also be emailed to [dnr\\_cogccenforcement@state.co.us](mailto:dnr_cogccenforcement@state.co.us).

### NOAV ISSUED

NOAV Issue Date: 01/16/2020

COGCC Representative Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

COGCC Representative: Conor Pesicka

Title: Quality Assurance Profess

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### CORRECTIVE ACTION COMPLETED

Rule: 210.b

Rule Description: Signs & Markers- Wells & Batteries

Corrective Action Start Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Corrective Action Complete Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Has corrective action for this violation been performed as required? \_\_\_\_\_

Description of Actual Corrective Action Performed by Operator

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### FINAL RESOLUTION

Cause #: \_\_\_\_\_ Order #: \_\_\_\_\_ Docket #: \_\_\_\_\_

Enforcement Action: \_\_\_\_\_

Final Resolution Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Final Resolution Comments:

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