



**Out of Window & Twinning Surface Location Exception Request
Rule 318A.a & Rule 318A.c**

September 14, 2020

Colorado Oil and Gas Conservation Commission
1120 Lincoln Street, Suite 801
Denver, CO 80203

RE: Request for Surface Location Exception (318A.a, 318A.c)

Well Name	Document #
Prairie LE 17-016HN	402297024
Prairie LE 17-019HC	402297023
Prairie LE 17-018HNX	402297022
Prairie LE 17-018HN	402297021
Prairie LE 17-016HC	402297020
Prairie LE 17-015HNX	402297019
Prairie LE 17-015HN	402297018
Prairie LE 17-013HN	402297017
Prairie LE 17-013HC	402296023
Prairie LE 17-012HNX	402290610
Prairie LE 17-012HN	402279414

Prairie LE Pad
Township 1 South, Range 66 West, 6th P.M.
Section 20: S 1/2 SW 1/4
Adams County, Colorado

Dear Director,

Great Western Operating Company, LLC (“Great Western”) plans to drill oil and gas wells from the above-described surface locations.

Rule 318A.a of the Colorado Oil and Gas Conservation Commission (“COGCC”) Rules and Regulations requires that wells drilled within the Greater Wattenberg Area (“GWA”) be drilled in a square with sides four hundred (400) feet in length, the center of which is the center of any governmental quarter/quarter section (“400’ window”); or a square with sides eight hundred (800) feet in length, the center of which is the center of any governmental quarter section (“800’ window”). The above referenced wells are proposed at a surface location outside a legal drilling window as defined by Rule 318A.a. These wells were located outside of the GWA window due to a negotiated SUA with the surface owner. Great Western has obtained written permission from the surface owner by way of signed waiver.

The Colorado Oil and Gas Conservation Commission Rule 318A.c. (2) states that, “when an operator is requesting a surface well location greater than fifty feet (50’) from a well. . .the operator shall provide a consent to the exception signed by the surface owner on which the well is proposed to be located in order for the Director to approve the well location administratively.” The planned surface locations are greater than 50’ from an existing well due a request by the surface owner through a negotiated SUA.

Great Western respectfully requests that the COGCC review the enclosed information and approve the requested exception location. The surface owner acknowledges and agrees with the staked surface location of the well. The surface owner has waived Rule 318A.a and Rule 318A.c in the Surface Use Agreement on page 13 section 6.15 (B).

Respectfully,

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