

BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION  
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

UPON THE APPLICATION OF XTO  
ENERGY, INC. TO CREATE A TEMPORARY  
SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL OF  
SECTIONS 16 AND 17, T23N-R59E, RICHLAND  
COUNTY, MONTANA, TO DRILL A  
HORIZONTAL BAKKEN FORMATION WELL  
ANYWHERE WITHIN SAID TEMPORARY  
SPACING UNIT BUT NOT CLOSER THAN 660  
FEET TO THE BOUNDARIES THEREOF.  
APPLICANT STATES IT WILL FILE AN  
APPLICATION FOR PERMANENT SPACING  
WITHIN 90 DAYS OF SUCCESSFUL  
COMPLETION OF THE PROPOSED  
HORIZONTAL WELL.

ORDER 255-2010

Docket No. 302-2010

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 2nd day of December, 2010 at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity present evidence, oral and documentary.
2. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that the application of XTO Energy Inc. is granted as applied for.

BOARD ORDER NO. 255-2010

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 2nd day of December, 2010.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION  
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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Linda Nelson, Chairman

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Wayne Smith, Vice-Chairman

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Don Bradshaw, Board Member

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Ronald S. Efta, Board Member

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Jay Gunderson, Board Member

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Jack King, Board Member

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Bret Smelser, Board Member

ATTEST:

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Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary

BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION  
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

UPON THE APPLICATION OF XTO ENERGY, INC.  
TO CREATE A TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT  
COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTION 18, T23N-R59E  
AND ALL OF SECTION 13, T23N-R58E, RICHLAND COUNTY,  
MONTANA, TO DRILL A HORIZONTAL BAKKEN  
FORMATION WELL ANYWHERE WITHIN SAID  
TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT BUT NOT CLOSER THAN  
660 FEET TO THE BOUNDARIES THEREOF. APPLICANT  
STATES IT WILL FILE AN APPLICATION FOR PERMANENT  
SPACING WITHIN 90 DAYS OF SUCCESSFUL COMPLETION  
OF THE PROPOSED HORIZONTAL WELL.

ORDER 256-2010

Docket No. 303-2010

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 2nd day of December, 2010 at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity present evidence, oral and documentary.

2. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that the application of XTO Energy Inc. is granted as applied for.

BOARD ORDER NO. 256-2010

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 2nd day of December, 2010.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION  
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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Linda Nelson, Chairman

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Wayne Smith, Vice-Chairman

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Don Bradshaw, Board Member

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Ronald S. Efta, Board Member

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Jay Gunderson, Board Member

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Jack King, Board Member

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Bret Smelser, Board Member

ATTEST:

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Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary

BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION  
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

UPON THE APPLICATION OF WHITING OIL  
AND GAS CORPORATION TO CREATE A  
TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL OF  
SECTIONS 30 AND 31, T29N-R56E, ROOSEVELT  
COUNTY, MONTANA, TO DRILL A HORIZONTAL  
BAKKEN FORMATION WELL ANYWHERE WITHIN  
SAID TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT BUT NOT CLOSER  
THAN 660 FEET TO THE BOUNDARIES THEREOF.  
APPLICANT WILL FILE AN APPLICATION FOR  
PERMANENT SPACING WITHIN 90 DAYS OF THE  
SUCCESSFUL COMPLETION OF THE PROPOSED  
HORIZONTAL WELL.

ORDER 257-2010

Docket No. 305-2010

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 2nd day of December, 2010 at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity present evidence, oral and documentary.
2. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that the application of Whiting Oil and Gas Corporation is granted as applied for.

BOARD ORDER NO. 257-2010

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 2nd day of December, 2010.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION  
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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Linda Nelson, Chairman

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Wayne Smith, Vice-Chairman

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Don Bradshaw, Board Member

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Ronald S. Efta, Board Member

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Jay Gunderson, Board Member

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Jack King, Board Member

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Bret Smelser, Board Member

ATTEST:

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Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary

BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION  
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

UPON THE APPLICATION OF WHITING OIL  
AND GAS CORPORATION TO CREATE A  
TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL OF  
SECTIONS 2 AND 11, T29N-R57E, ROOSEVELT COUNTY,  
MONTANA, TO DRILL A HORIZONTAL BAKKEN  
FORMATION WELL ANYWHERE WITHIN SAID  
TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT BUT NOT CLOSER THAN  
660 FEET TO THE BOUNDARIES THEREOF. APPLICANT  
WILL FILE AN APPLICATION FOR PERMANENT  
SPACING WITHIN 90 DAYS OF THE SUCCESSFUL  
COMPLETION OF THE PROPOSED HORIZONTAL WELL.

ORDER 258-2010

Docket No. 306-2010

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 2nd day of December, 2010 at the Board's hearing room at its office at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity present evidence, oral and documentary.
2. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that the application of Whiting Oil and Gas Corporation is granted as applied for.

BOARD ORDER NO. 258-2010

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 2nd day of December, 2010.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION  
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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Linda Nelson, Chairman

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Wayne Smith, Vice-Chairman

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Jay Gunderson, Board Member

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Jack King, Board Member

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Bret Smelser, Board Member

ATTEST:

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Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary

BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION  
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

UPON THE APPLICATION OF WHITING OIL  
AND GAS CORPORATION TO CREATE A  
TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL OF  
SECTIONS 13 AND 24, T30N-R56E, ROOSEVELT COUNTY,  
MONTANA, TO DRILL A HORIZONTAL BAKKEN  
FORMATION WELL ANYWHERE WITHIN SAID  
TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT BUT NOT CLOSER THAN  
660 FEET TO THE BOUNDARIES THEREOF. APPLICANT  
WILL FILE AN APPLICATION FOR PERMANENT  
SPACING WITHIN 90 DAYS OF SUCCESSFUL  
COMPLETION OF THE PROPOSED HORIZONTAL WELL.

ORDER 259-2010

Docket No. 307-2010

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 2nd day of December, 2010 at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity present evidence, oral and documentary.
2. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that the application of Whiting Oil and Gas Corporation is granted as applied for.

BOARD ORDER NO. 259-2010

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 2nd day of December, 2010.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION  
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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Linda Nelson, Chairman

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Wayne Smith, Vice-Chairman

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Don Bradshaw, Board Member

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Ronald S. Efta, Board Member

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Jay Gunderson, Board Member

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Jack King, Board Member

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Bret Smelser, Board Member

ATTEST:

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Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary

BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION  
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

UPON THE APPLICATION OF WHITING OIL  
AND GAS CORPORATION TO CREATE A  
TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL OF  
SECTIONS 25 AND 36, T30N-R56E, ROOSEVELT  
COUNTY, MONTANA, TO DRILL A HORIZONTAL  
BAKKEN FORMATION WELL ANYWHERE WITHIN  
SAID TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT BUT NOT CLOSER  
THAN 660 FEET TO THE BOUNDARIES THEREOF.  
APPLICANT WILL FILE AN APPLICATION FOR  
PERMANENT SPACING WITHIN 90 DAYS OF  
SUCCESSFUL COMPLETION OF THE PROPOSED  
HORIZONTAL WELL.

ORDER 260-2010

Docket No. 308-2010

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 2nd day of December, 2010 at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity present evidence, oral and documentary.

2. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that the application of Whiting Oil and Gas Corporation is granted as applied for.

BOARD ORDER NO. 260-2010

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 2nd day of December, 2010.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION  
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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Linda Nelson, Chairman

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Wayne Smith, Vice-Chairman

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Don Bradshaw, Board Member

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Jack King, Board Member

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Bret Smelser, Board Member

ATTEST:

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Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary

BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION  
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

UPON THE APPLICATION OF WHITING OIL  
AND GAS CORPORATION TO CREATE A  
TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL OF  
SECTIONS 4 AND 9, T30N-R57E, ROOSEVELT COUNTY,  
MONTANA, TO DRILL A HORIZONTAL BAKKEN  
FORMATION WELL ANYWHERE WITHIN SAID  
TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT BUT NOT CLOSER THAN  
660 FEET TO THE BOUNDARIES THEREOF. APPLICANT  
WILL FILE AN APPLICATION FOR PERMANENT  
SPACING WITHIN 90 DAYS OF SUCCESSFUL  
COMPLETION OF THE PROPOSED HORIZONTAL WELL.

ORDER 261-2010

Docket No. 310-2010

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 2nd day of December, 2010 at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity present evidence, oral and documentary.
2. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that the application of Whiting Oil and Gas Corporation is granted as applied for.

BOARD ORDER NO. 261-2010

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 2nd day of December, 2010.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION  
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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Linda Nelson, Chairman

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Wayne Smith, Vice-Chairman

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Don Bradshaw, Board Member

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Ronald S. Efta, Board Member

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Jay Gunderson, Board Member

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Jack King, Board Member

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Bret Smelser, Board Member

ATTEST:

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Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary

BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION  
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

UPON THE APPLICATION OF WHITING OIL  
AND GAS CORPORATION TO CREATE  
A PERMANENT SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF THE  
N½ OF SECTION 17, T23N-R55E, RICHLAND COUNTY,  
MONTANA, FOR PRODUCTION OF BAKKEN  
FORMATION OIL AND ASSOCIATED NATURAL GAS  
FROM APPLICANT'S QUALLEY #12-17H WELL.

ORDER 262-2010

Docket No. 311-2010

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 2nd day of December, 2010 at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity present evidence, oral and documentary.

2. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that the N½ of Section 17, T23N-R55E, Richland County, Montana, is designated a permanent spacing unit for production of Bakken Formation oil and associated natural gas from applicant's Qualley #12-17H well.

BOARD ORDER NO. 262-2010

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 2nd day of December, 2010.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION  
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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Linda Nelson, Chairman

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Wayne Smith, Vice-Chairman

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Don Bradshaw, Board Member

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Ronald S. Efta, Board Member

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Jay Gunderson, Board Member

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Jack King, Board Member

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Bret Smelser, Board Member

ATTEST:

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Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary

BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION  
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

UPON THE APPLICATION OF CLINE  
PRODUCTION COMPANY TO ADD NEW  
INJECTION PERFORATIONS IN THE SWINNEY #2  
SALTWATER DISPOSAL WELL  
(API #25-065-05119) LOCATED IN THE SE¼ SE¼  
OF SECTION 22, T10N, R29E, MUSSELSHELL  
COUNTY, MONTANA (MELSTONE FIELD).  
THE NEW PERFORATIONS ARE IN THE AMSDEN  
FORMATION AT A DEPTH OF APPROXIMATELY  
3960-4070 FT.

ORDER 263-2010

Docket No. 315-2010

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 2nd day of December, 2010 at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity present evidence, oral and documentary.
2. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that the application of Cline Production Company is granted as applied for, subject to stipulations on the Sundry Notice.

BOARD ORDER NO. 263-2010

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 2nd day of December, 2010.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION  
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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Linda Nelson, Chairman

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Wayne Smith, Vice-Chairman

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Don Bradshaw, Board Member

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Ronald S. Efta, Board Member

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Jay Gunderson, Board Member

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Jack King, Board Member

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Bret Smelser, Board Member

ATTEST:

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Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary

BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION  
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

UPON THE APPLICATION OF EOG RESOURCES, INC.  
TO CREATE AN OVERLAPPING TEMPORARY  
SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL OF  
SECTION 3, T25N-R53E, AND ALL OF SECTION 34,  
T26N-R53E, RICHLAND COUNTY, MONTANA, TO  
DRILL AN ADDITIONAL HORIZONTAL BAKKEN  
FORMATION WELL GENERALLY ORIENTED IN A  
NORTH-SOUTH AZIMUTH IN THE W½ OF SAID  
SECTION 34 AND THE W½ OF SAID SECTION 3, AT A  
LOCATION NOT CLOSER THAN 660 FEET TO THE  
BOUNDARIES OF SAID OVERLAPPING TEMPORARY  
SPACING UNIT, AS AN EXCEPTION TO BOARD ORDERS  
302-2004 AND 206-2005, AND TO PROVIDE THAT THE  
OVERLAPPING TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT SHALL BE  
LIMITED TO PRODUCTION FROM THE PROPOSED  
HORIZONTAL WELL.

ORDER 264-2010

Docket No. 316-2010

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 2nd day of December, 2010 at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity present evidence, oral and documentary.
2. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that the application of EOG Resources, Inc. is granted as applied for.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that applicant shall file for permanent spacing within 90 days of successful completion of the proposed horizontal well.

BOARD ORDER NO. 264-2010

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 2nd day of December, 2010.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION  
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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Linda Nelson, Chairman

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Wayne Smith, Vice-Chairman

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Don Bradshaw, Board Member

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Ronald S. Efta, Board Member

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Jay Gunderson, Board Member

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Jack King, Board Member

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Bret Smelser, Board Member

ATTEST:

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Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary

BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION  
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

UPON THE APPLICATION OF EOG RESOURCES, INC.  
TO CREATE AN OVERLAPPING TEMPORARY  
SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL OF  
SECTIONS 4 AND 5, T25N-R53E, RICHLAND COUNTY,  
MONTANA, TO DRILL AN ADDITIONAL HORIZONTAL  
BAKKEN FORMATION WELL GENERALLY ORIENTED  
IN AN EAST-WEST AZIMUTH IN THE W½ OF SAID  
SECTION 4 AND THE E½ OF SAID SECTION 5, AT A  
LOCATION NOT CLOSER THAN 660 FEET TO THE  
BOUNDARIES OF SAID OVERLAPPING TEMPORARY  
SPACING UNIT, AS AN EXCEPTION TO BOARD ORDERS  
250-2004 AND 251-2004, AND TO PROVIDE THAT THE  
OVERLAPPING TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT SHALL BE  
LIMITED TO PRODUCTION FROM THE PROPOSED  
HORIZONTAL WELL.

ORDER 265-2010

Docket No. 317-2010

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 2nd day of December, 2010 at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity present evidence, oral and documentary.
2. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that the application of EOG Resources, Inc. is granted as applied for.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a federal communitization agreement for spacing units which contain both federal and non-federal land shall be submitted to the authorized officer of the Bureau of Land Management prior to or upon completion of a producible well.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that applicant shall file for permanent spacing within 90 days of successful completion of the proposed horizontal well.

BOARD ORDER NO. 265-2010

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 2nd day of December, 2010.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION  
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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Linda Nelson, Chairman

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Wayne Smith, Vice-Chairman

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Don Bradshaw, Board Member

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Ronald S. Efta, Board Member

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Jay Gunderson, Board Member

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Jack King, Board Member

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Bret Smelser, Board Member

ATTEST:

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Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary

BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION  
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

UPON THE APPLICATION OF EOG RESOURCES, INC.  
TO CREATE AN OVERLAPPING TEMPORARY  
SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL OF  
SECTION 5, T25N-R53E AND ALL OF SECTION 32,  
T26N-R53E, RICHLAND COUNTY, MONTANA, TO DRILL  
AN ADDITIONAL HORIZONTAL BAKKEN FORMATION  
WELL GENERALLY ORIENTED IN A NORTH-SOUTH  
AZIMUTH IN THE W½ OF SAID SECTION 32 AND THE  
W½ OF SAID SECTION 5, AT A LOCATION NOT CLOSER  
THAN 660 FEET TO THE BOUNDARIES OF SAID  
OVERLAPPING TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT, AS AN  
EXCEPTION TO BOARD ORDERS 251-2004 AND 127-2005,  
AND TO PROVIDE THAT THE OVERLAPPING  
TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT SHALL BE LIMITED TO  
PRODUCTION FROM THE PROPOSED HORIZONTAL  
WELL.

ORDER 266-2010

Docket No. 318-2010

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 2nd day of December, 2010 at the Board's hearing room at its office at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity present evidence, oral and documentary.
2. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that the application of EOG Resources, Inc. is granted as applied for.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a federal communitization agreement for spacing units which contain both federal and non-federal land shall be submitted to the authorized officer of the Bureau of Land Management prior to or upon completion of a producible well.

BOARD ORDER NO. 266-2010

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 2nd day of December, 2010.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION  
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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Linda Nelson, Chairman

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Wayne Smith, Vice-Chairman

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Don Bradshaw, Board Member

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Ronald S. Efta, Board Member

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Jay Gunderson, Board Member

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Jack King, Board Member

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Bret Smelser, Board Member

ATTEST:

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Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary

BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION  
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

UPON THE APPLICATION OF EOG RESOURCES, INC.  
TO CREATE AN OVERLAPPING TEMPORARY  
SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL OF  
SECTIONS 17 AND 18, T25N-R53E, RICHLAND COUNTY,  
MONTANA, TO DRILL AN ADDITIONAL HORIZONTAL  
BAKKEN FORMATION WELL GENERALLY ORIENTED  
IN AN EAST-WEST AZIMUTH IN THE NE¼ OF SAID  
SECTION 18 AND THE NW¼ OF SAID SECTION 17, AT  
A LOCATION NOT CLOSER THAN 660 FEET TO THE  
BOUNDARIES OF SAID OVERLAPPING TEMPORARY  
SPACING UNIT, AS AN EXCEPTION TO BOARD  
ORDERS 249-2004 AND 299-2004, AND TO PROVIDE  
THAT THE OVERLAPPING TEMPORARY SPACING  
UNIT SHALL BE LIMITED TO PRODUCTION FROM  
THE PROPOSED HORIZONTAL WELL.

ORDER 267-2010

Docket No. 319-2010

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 2nd day of December, 2010 at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity present evidence, oral and documentary.

2. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that the application of EOG Resources, Inc. is granted as applied for.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a federal communitization agreement for spacing units which contain both federal and non-federal land shall be submitted to the authorized officer of the Bureau of Land Management prior to or upon completion of a producible well.

BOARD ORDER NO. 267-2010

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 2nd day of December, 2010.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION  
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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Linda Nelson, Chairman

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Wayne Smith, Vice-Chairman

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Don Bradshaw, Board Member

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Ronald S. Efta, Board Member

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Jay Gunderson, Board Member

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Jack King, Board Member

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Bret Smelser, Board Member

ATTEST:

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Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary

BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION  
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

UPON THE APPLICATION OF EOG RESOURCES, INC.  
TO VACATE BOARD ORDER 431-2005  
AND TO CREATE A TEMPORARY SPACING  
UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTIONS 20 AND 21,  
T26N-R53E, RICHLAND COUNTY, MONTANA, TO  
DRILL A HORIZONTAL BAKKEN FORMATION WELL  
AT ANY LOCATION NOT CLOSER THAN 660 FEET TO  
THE BOUNDARIES THEREOF. APPLICANT WILL,  
WITHIN 90 DAYS OF SUCCESSFUL COMPLETION OF  
THE PROPOSED HORIZONTAL OPERATION, FILE AN  
APPLICATION FOR PERMANENT SPACING WITH  
THE BOARD.

ORDER 268-2010

Docket No. 320-2010

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 2nd day of December, 2010 at the Board's hearing room at its office at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity present evidence, oral and documentary.

2. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that the application of EOG Resources, Inc. is granted as applied for.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a federal communitization agreement for spacing units which contain both federal and non-federal land shall be submitted to the authorized officer of the Bureau of Land Management prior to or upon completion of a producible well.

BOARD ORDER NO. 268-2010

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 2nd day of December, 2010.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION  
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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Linda Nelson, Chairman

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Wayne Smith, Vice-Chairman

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Don Bradshaw, Board Member

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Ronald S. Efta, Board Member

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Jay Gunderson, Board Member

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Jack King, Board Member

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Bret Smelser, Board Member

ATTEST:

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Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary

BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION  
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

UPON THE APPLICATION OF  
EOG RESOURCES, INC. TO VACATE BOARD  
ORDER 61-2004, WHICH CREATED A  
TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT COMPRISED  
OF ALL OF SECTIONS 16 AND 21, T26N-R52E,  
RICHLAND COUNTY, MONTANA.

ORDER 269-2010

Docket No. 321-2010

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 2nd day of December, 2010 at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity present evidence, oral and documentary.
2. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that Board Order 61-2004, which created a temporary spacing unit comprised of all of Sections 16 and 21, T26N-R52E, Richland County, Montana, is hereby vacated.

BOARD ORDER NO. 269-2010

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 2nd day of December, 2010.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION  
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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Linda Nelson, Chairman

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Wayne Smith, Vice-Chairman

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Don Bradshaw, Board Member

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Ronald S. Efta, Board Member

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Jay Gunderson, Board Member

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Jack King, Board Member

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Bret Smelser, Board Member

ATTEST:

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Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary

BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION  
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

UPON THE APPLICATION OF EOG  
RESOURCES, INC. TO CREATE A PERMANENT  
SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF THE E½ OF  
SECTION 33, T29N-R57E, ROOSEVELT COUNTY,  
MONTANA, FOR PRODUCTION OF OIL AND  
ASSOCIATED NATURAL GAS FROM THE BAKKEN  
FORMATION FROM APPLICANT'S CARAT #2-33H  
WELL.

ORDER 270-2010

Docket No. 322-2010

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 2nd day of December, 2010 at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity present evidence, oral and documentary.
2. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that the E½ of Section 33, T29N-R57E, Roosevelt County, Montana, is designated a permanent spacing unit for production of Bakken Formation oil and associated natural gas from applicant's Carat #2-33H well.

BOARD ORDER NO. 270-2010

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 2nd day of December, 2010.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION  
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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Linda Nelson, Chairman

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Wayne Smith, Vice-Chairman

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Don Bradshaw, Board Member

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Ronald S. Efta, Board Member

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Jay Gunderson, Board Member

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Jack King, Board Member

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Bret Smelser, Board Member

ATTEST:

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Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary

BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION  
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

UPON THE APPLICATION OF MARATHON  
OIL COMPANY TO CREATE A TEMPORARY  
SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL  
OF SECTIONS 28 AND 33, T31N-R59E,  
SHERIDAN COUNTY, MONTANA, TO DRILL  
A HORIZONTAL BAKKEN/THREE FORKS  
FORMATION WELL AT ANY LOCATION  
WITHIN SAID SPACING UNIT BUT NOT  
CLOSER THAN 660 FEET TO THE  
BOUNDARIES THEREOF. APPLICANT  
WILL APPLY FOR PERMANENT SPACING  
WITHIN 90 DAYS OF SUCCESSFUL WELL  
COMPLETION.

ORDER 271-2010

Docket No. 336-2010

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 2nd day of December, 2010 at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity present evidence, oral and documentary.
2. At the hearing Board Member Bret Smelser recommended that the setback distance from the eastern boundary of the spacing unit be reduced to match the North Dakota setback.
3. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that the application of Marathon Oil Company is granted as applied for, except that the proposed horizontal well can be located 500 feet from the east boundary of the temporary spacing unit.

BOARD ORDER NO. 271-2010

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 2nd day of December, 2010.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION  
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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Linda Nelson, Chairman

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Wayne Smith, Vice-Chairman

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Don Bradshaw, Board Member

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Ronald S. Efta, Board Member

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Jay Gunderson, Board Member

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Jack King, Board Member

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Bret Smelser, Board Member

ATTEST:

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Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary

BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION  
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

UPON THE APPLICATION OF  
TAQA NORTH USA, INC. TO CREATE A  
PERMANENT SPACING UNIT COMPRISED  
OF ALL OF SECTION 8, T37N-R57E,  
SHERIDAN COUNTY, MONTANA, FOR  
PRODUCTION OF BAKKEN FORMATION  
OIL AND ASSOCIATED NATURAL GAS  
FROM APPLICANT'S HELLEGAARD #9-12H  
WELL.

ORDER 272-2010

Docket No. 337-2010

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 2nd day of December, 2010 at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity present evidence, oral and documentary.
2. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that all of Section 8, T37N-R57E, Sheridan County, Montana, is designated a permanent spacing unit for production of Bakken Formation oil and associated natural gas from applicant's Hellegaard #9-12H well.

BOARD ORDER NO. 272-2010

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 2nd day of December, 2010.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION  
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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Linda Nelson, Chairman

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Wayne Smith, Vice-Chairman

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Don Bradshaw, Board Member

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Ronald S. Efta, Board Member

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Jay Gunderson, Board Member

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Jack King, Board Member

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Bret Smelser, Board Member

ATTEST:

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Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary

BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION  
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

UPON THE APPLICATION OF TAQA NORTH  
USA, INC. TO CREATE A PERMANENT  
SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTION 15,  
T37N-R57E, SHERIDAN COUNTY, MONTANA, FOR  
PRODUCTION OF BAKKEN FORMATION OIL AND  
ASSOCIATED NATURAL GAS FROM APPLICANT'S  
HELLEGAARD #9H WELL.

ORDER 273-2010

Docket No. 338-2010

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 2nd day of December, 2010 at the Board's hearing room at its office at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity present evidence, oral and documentary.
2. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that all of Section 15, T37N-R57E, Sheridan County, Montana, is designated a permanent spacing unit for production of Bakken Formation oil and associated natural gas from applicant's Hellegaard #9H well.

BOARD ORDER NO. 273-2010

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 2nd day of December, 2010.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION  
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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Linda Nelson, Chairman

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Wayne Smith, Vice-Chairman

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Don Bradshaw, Board Member

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Ronald S. Efta, Board Member

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Jay Gunderson, Board Member

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Jack King, Board Member

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Bret Smelser, Board Member

ATTEST:

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Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary

BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION  
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

UPON THE APPLICATION OF TAQA NORTH  
USA, INC. TO DRILL AN ADDITIONAL  
HORIZONTAL BAKKEN FORMATION WELL IN THE  
PERMANENT SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL  
OF SECTION 8, T37N-R57E, SHERIDAN COUNTY,  
MONTANA, AT A LOCATION ANYWHERE WITHIN  
SAID PERMANENT SPACING UNIT BUT NOT  
CLOSER THAN 660 FEET TO THE BOUNDARIES  
THEREOF.

ORDER 274-2010

Docket No. 339-2010

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 2nd day of December, 2010 at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity present evidence, oral and documentary.
2. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that TAQA North USA, Inc. is authorized to drill an additional horizontal Bakken Formation well in the permanent spacing unit comprised of all of Section 8, T37N-R57E, Sheridan County, Montana, at a location anywhere within said permanent spacing unit but not closer than 660 feet the boundaries thereof.

BOARD ORDER NO. 274-2010

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 2nd day of December, 2010.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION  
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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Linda Nelson, Chairman

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Wayne Smith, Vice-Chairman

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Don Bradshaw, Board Member

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Ronald S. Efta, Board Member

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Jay Gunderson, Board Member

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Jack King, Board Member

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Bret Smelser, Board Member

ATTEST:

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Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary

BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION  
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

UPON THE APPLICATION OF TAQA NORTH  
USA, INC. TO DRILL AN ADDITIONAL  
HORIZONTAL BAKKEN FORMATION WELL IN THE  
PERMANENT SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL  
OF SECTION 15, T37N-R57E, SHERIDAN COUNTY,  
MONTANA, AT A LOCATION ANYWHERE WITHIN  
SAID PERMANENT SPACING UNIT BUT NOT  
CLOSER THAN 660 FEET TO THE BOUNDARIES  
THEREOF.

ORDER 275-2010

Docket No. 340-2010

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 2nd day of December, 2010 at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity present evidence, oral and documentary.
2. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that TAQA North USA, Inc. is authorized to drill an additional horizontal Bakken Formation well in the permanent spacing unit comprised of all of Section 15, T37N-R57E, Sheridan County, Montana, at a location anywhere within said permanent spacing unit but not closer than 660 feet the boundaries thereof.

BOARD ORDER NO. 275-2010

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 2nd day of December, 2010.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION  
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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Linda Nelson, Chairman

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Wayne Smith, Vice-Chairman

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Don Bradshaw, Board Member

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Ronald S. Efta, Board Member

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Jay Gunderson, Board Member

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Jack King, Board Member

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Bret Smelser, Board Member

ATTEST:

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Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary

BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION  
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

UPON THE APPLICATION OF URSA  
RESOURCES GROUP LLC TO CREATE A  
TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF  
ALL OF SECTIONS 20 AND 21, T24N-R59E,  
RICHLAND COUNTY, MONTANA, TO DRILL A  
HORIZONTAL BAKKEN FORMATION WELL  
ANYWHERE WITHIN SAID TEMPORARY  
SPACING UNIT BUT NOT CLOSER THAN  
660 FEET TO THE BOUNDARIES THEREOF.  
APPLICANT WILL APPLY FOR PERMANENT  
SPACING WITHIN 90 DAYS OF SUCCESSFUL  
COMPLETION OF THE PROPOSED  
HORIZONTAL WELL.

ORDER 276-2010

Docket No. 341-2010

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 2nd day of December, 2010 at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity present evidence, oral and documentary.

2. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that the application of URSA Resources Group LLC is hereby granted as applied for.

BOARD ORDER NO. 276-2010

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 2nd day of December, 2010.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION  
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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Linda Nelson, Chairman

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Wayne Smith, Vice-Chairman

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Don Bradshaw, Board Member

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Ronald S. Efta, Board Member

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Jay Gunderson, Board Member

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Jack King, Board Member

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Bret Smelser, Board Member

ATTEST:

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Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary

BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION  
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

UPON THE APPLICATION OF URSA  
RESOURCES GROUP LLC TO CREATE A  
TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF  
ALL OF SECTIONS 17 AND 18, T26N-R59E,  
RICHLAND COUNTY, MONTANA, TO DRILL A  
HORIZONTAL BAKKEN FORMATION WELL  
ANYWHERE WITHIN SAID TEMPORARY  
SPACING UNIT BUT NOT CLOSER THAN  
660 FEET TO THE BOUNDARIES THEREOF.  
APPLICANT WILL APPLY FOR PERMANENT  
SPACING WITHIN 90 DAYS OF SUCCESSFUL  
COMPLETION OF THE PROPOSED HORIZONTAL  
WELL.

ORDER 277-2010

Docket No. 342-2010

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 2nd day of December, 2010 at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity present evidence, oral and documentary.
2. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that the application of URSA Resources Group LLC is hereby granted as applied for.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a federal communitization agreement for spacing units which contain both federal and non-federal land shall be submitted to the authorized officer of the Bureau of Land Management prior to or upon completion of a producible well.

BOARD ORDER NO. 277-2010

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 2nd day of December, 2010.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION  
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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Linda Nelson, Chairman

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Wayne Smith, Vice-Chairman

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Don Bradshaw, Board Member

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Ronald S. Efta, Board Member

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Jay Gunderson, Board Member

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Jack King, Board Member

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Bret Smelser, Board Member

ATTEST:

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Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary

BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION  
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

UPON THE APPLICATION OF DEVON  
ENERGY PRODUCTION COMPANY, L.P. TO  
CREATE A PERMANENT SPACING UNIT COMPRISED  
OF THE S½ OF SECTION 7 AND THE N½ OF  
SECTION 18, T25N-R18E, BLAINE COUNTY,  
MONTANA, FOR PRODUCTION OF EAGLE  
FORMATION GAS FROM APPLICANT'S  
US-DIR #18-03-25-18 WELL.

ORDER 278-2010

Docket No. 344-2010

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 2nd day of December, 2010 at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity present evidence, oral and documentary.
2. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that the S½ of Section 7 and the N½ of Section 18, T25N-R18E, Blaine County, Montana, is designated a permanent spacing unit for production of Eagle Formation gas from applicant's US-DIR #18-03-25-18 well.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a federal communitization agreement for spacing units which contain both federal and non-federal land shall be submitted to the authorized officer of the Bureau of Land Management prior to or upon completion of a producible well.

BOARD ORDER NO. 278-2010

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 2nd day of December, 2010.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION  
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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Linda Nelson, Chairman

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Wayne Smith, Vice-Chairman

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Don Bradshaw, Board Member

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Ronald S. Efta, Board Member

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Jay Gunderson, Board Member

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Jack King, Board Member

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Bret Smelser, Board Member

ATTEST:

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Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary

BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION  
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

UPON THE APPLICATION OF DEVON  
ENERGY PRODUCTION COMPANY, L.P.  
TO CREATE A PERMANENT SPACING UNIT  
COMPRISED OF THE E½ OF SECTION 18,  
T25N-R18E, BLAINE COUNTY, MONTANA, FOR  
PRODUCTION OF EAGLE FORMATION GAS  
FROM APPLICANT'S US-DIR #18-09-25-18 WELL.

ORDER 279-2010

Docket No. 345-2010

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 2nd day of December, 2010 at the Board's hearing room at its office at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity present evidence, oral and documentary.
2. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that the E½ of Section 18, T25N-R18E, Blaine County, Montana, is designated a permanent spacing unit for production of Eagle Formation gas from applicant's US-DIR #18-09-25-18 well.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that said permanent spacing unit is limited to production from the US-DIR #18-09-25-18 well.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a federal communitization agreement for spacing units which contain both federal and non-federal land shall be submitted to the authorized officer of the Bureau of Land Management prior to or upon completion of a producible well.

BOARD ORDER NO. 279-2010

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 2nd day of December, 2010.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION  
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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Linda Nelson, Chairman

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Wayne Smith, Vice-Chairman

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Don Bradshaw, Board Member

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Ronald S. Efta, Board Member

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Jay Gunderson, Board Member

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Jack King, Board Member

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Bret Smelser, Board Member

ATTEST:

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Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary

BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION  
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

UPON THE APPLICATION OF DEVON  
ENERGY PRODUCTION COMPANY, L.P.  
TO CREATE A PERMANENT SPACING UNIT  
COMPRISED OF THE S½ SW¼ OF SECTION 19  
AND THE NW¼ OF SECTION 30, T27N-R20E,  
BLAINE COUNTY, MONTANA, FOR  
PRODUCTION OF EAGLE FORMATION GAS  
FROM APPLICANT'S US #19-14-27-20 WELL.

ORDER 280-2010

Docket No. 346-2010

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 2nd day of December, 2010 at the Board's hearing room at its office at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity present evidence, oral and documentary.
2. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that the S½SW¼ of Section 19 and the NW¼ of Section 30, T27N-R20E, Blaine County, Montana, is designated a permanent spacing unit for production of Eagle Formation gas from applicant's US-DIR #19-14-27-20 well.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that said permanent spacing unit is limited to production from the US-DIR #19-14-27-20 well.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a federal communitization agreement for spacing units which contain both federal and non-federal land shall be submitted to the authorized officer of the Bureau of Land Management prior to or upon completion of a producible well.

BOARD ORDER NO. 280-2010

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 2nd day of December, 2010.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION  
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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Linda Nelson, Chairman

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Wayne Smith, Vice-Chairman

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Ronald S. Efta, Board Member

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Jay Gunderson, Board Member

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Jack King, Board Member

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Bret Smelser, Board Member

ATTEST:

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Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary

BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION  
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

UPON THE APPLICATION OF DEVON  
ENERGY PRODUCTION COMPANY, L.P.  
TO POOL ALL INTERESTS IN THE PERMANENT  
SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF THE S½SW¼  
OF SECTION 19 AND THE NW¼ OF SECTION 30,  
T27N-R20E, BLAINE COUNTY, MONTANA, FOR  
PRODUCTION OF EAGLE FORMATION GAS FROM  
THE US #19-14-27-20 WELL AND TO AUTHORIZE  
RECOVERY OF NON-CONSENT PENALTIES IN  
ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 82-11-202 (2), M.C.A.

ORDER 281-2010

Docket No. 347-2010

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 2nd day of December, 2010 at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity present evidence, oral and documentary.
2. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that all interests in the permanent spacing unit comprised of the S½SW¼ of Section 19 and the NW¼ of Section 30, T27N-R20E, Blaine County, Montana are hereby pooled on the basis of surface acreage for the production of Eagle Formation gas from the US # 19-14-27-20 well.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that recovery of non-consent penalties in accordance with Section 82-11-202(2). M.C.A. is hereby authorized.

BOARD ORDER NO. 281-2010

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 2nd day of December, 2010.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION  
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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Linda Nelson, Chairman

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Wayne Smith, Vice-Chairman

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Don Bradshaw, Board Member

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Ronald S. Efta, Board Member

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Jay Gunderson, Board Member

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Jack King, Board Member

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Bret Smelser, Board Member

ATTEST:

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Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary

BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION  
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

UPON THE APPLICATION OF DEVON  
ENERGY PRODUCTION COMPANY, L.P.  
TO POOL ALL INTERESTS IN THE PERMANENT  
SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL OF  
SECTION 30, T27N-R20E, BLAINE COUNTY,  
MONTANA, FOR PRODUCTION OF EAGLE  
FORMATION GAS FROM THE US-DIR #30-10-27-20  
WELL AND TO AUTHORIZE RECOVERY OF  
NON-CONSENT PENALTIES IN ACCORDANCE  
WITH SECTION 82-11-202 (2), M.C.A.

ORDER 282-2010

Docket No. 348-2010

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 2nd day of December, 2010 at the Board's hearing room at its office at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity present evidence, oral and documentary.
2. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that all interests in the permanent spacing unit comprised of Section 30, T27N-R20E, Blaine County, Montana are hereby pooled on the basis of surface acreage for the production of Eagle Formation gas from the US # 30-10-27-20 well.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that recovery of non-consent penalties in accordance with Section 82-11-202(2). M.C.A. is hereby authorized.

BOARD ORDER NO. 282-2010

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 2nd day of December, 2010.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION  
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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Linda Nelson, Chairman

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Wayne Smith, Vice-Chairman

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Don Bradshaw, Board Member

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Ronald S. Efta, Board Member

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Jay Gunderson, Board Member

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Jack King, Board Member

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Bret Smelser, Board Member

ATTEST:

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Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary

BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION  
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

UPON THE APPLICATION OF PRIMA  
EXPLORATION, INC., TO CONVERT THE  
STATE 16-7 WELL (API #25-091-21268) LOCATED  
IN THE SE¼ NW¼ OF SECTION 16, T36N, R54E,  
SHERIDAN COUNTY, MONTANA  
(RAYMOND FIELD) TO A SALTWATER DISPOSAL  
WELL IN THE RATCLIFFE FORMATION AT A  
DEPTH OF APPROXIMATELY 6564-6616 FT.

ORDER 283-2010

Docket No. 349-2010

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 2nd day of December, 2010 at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity present evidence, oral and documentary.
2. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that the application of Prima Exploration, Inc. is granted as applied for, subject to stipulations on the Sundry Notice.

BOARD ORDER NO. 283-2010

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 2nd day of December, 2010.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION  
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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Linda Nelson, Chairman

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Wayne Smith, Vice-Chairman

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Don Bradshaw, Board Member

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Ronald S. Efta, Board Member

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Jay Gunderson, Board Member

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Jack King, Board Member

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Bret Smelser, Board Member

ATTEST:

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Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary

BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION  
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

UPON THE APPLICATION OF PRIMA  
EXPLORATION, INC., TO CONVERT THE  
STATE 16-10 WELL (API #25-091-21280) LOCATED  
IN THE SW<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> NE<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> OF SECTION 16, T36N, R54E,  
SHERIDAN COUNTY, MONTANA  
(RAYMOND FIELD) TO A SALTWATER DISPOSAL  
WELL IN THE RATCLIFFE FORMATION AT A  
DEPTH OF APPROXIMATELY 6560-6620 FT.

ORDER 284-2010

Docket No. 350-2010

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 2nd day of December, 2010 at the Board's hearing room at its office at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity present evidence, oral and documentary.
2. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that the application of Prima Exploration, Inc. is granted as applied for, subject to stipulations on the Sundry Notice.

BOARD ORDER NO. 284-2010

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 2nd day of December, 2010.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION  
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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Linda Nelson, Chairman

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Wayne Smith, Vice-Chairman

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Don Bradshaw, Board Member

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Ronald S. Efta, Board Member

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Jay Gunderson, Board Member

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Jack King, Board Member

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Bret Smelser, Board Member

ATTEST:

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Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary

BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION  
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

UPON THE APPLICATION OF PRIMA  
EXPLORATION, INC. TO CONVERT THE  
GRIZZLY 2-24H WELL (API #25-083-22641)  
LOCATED IN THE SE¼SW¼ OF SECTION 2,  
T25N-R59E, RICHLAND COUNTY, MONTANA,  
(WILDCAT) TO A SALTWATER DISPOSAL WELL  
IN THE RATCLIFFE FORMATION AT A DEPTH OF  
APPROXIMATELY 8972 FEET. AN AQUIFER  
EXEMPTION IS BEING REQUESTED AS PART OF THE  
APPLICATION, AS WATER IN THE PROPOSED INJECTION  
ZONE CONTAINS LESS THAN 10,000 MG/L TOTAL  
DISSOLVED SOLIDS.

ORDER 285-2010

Docket No. 351-2010

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 2nd day of December, 2010 at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity present evidence, oral and documentary.
2. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that the application of Prima Exploration, Inc. is granted as applied for, subject to stipulations on the Sundry Notice.

BOARD ORDER NO. 285-2010

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 2nd day of December, 2010.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION  
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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Linda Nelson, Chairman

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Wayne Smith, Vice-Chairman

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Don Bradshaw, Board Member

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Ronald S. Efta, Board Member

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Jay Gunderson, Board Member

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Jack King, Board Member

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Bret Smelser, Board Member

ATTEST:

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Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary

BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION  
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

UPON THE APPLICATION OF BURLINGTON  
RESOURCES OIL & GAS COMPANY, INC.  
TO CREATE A FIELD AND PERMANENT SPACING UNIT  
COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTION 3, T23N-R53E,  
RICHLAND COUNTY, MONTANA, FOR PRODUCTION  
OF BAKKEN FORMATION OIL AND ASSOCIATED  
NATURAL GAS AND TO DESIGNATE APPLICANT'S  
BR 41-3H 33 WELL AS THE ONLY AUTHORIZED WELL  
FOR SAID SPACING UNIT.

ORDER 286-2010

Docket No. 362-2010

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 2nd day of December, 2010 at the Board's hearing room at its office at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity present evidence, oral and documentary.
2. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that all of Section 3, T23N-R53E, Richland County, Montana, is designated a permanent spacing unit for production of Bakken Formation oil and associated natural gas.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that applicant's BR 41-3H 33 well is the only authorized well for said spacing unit.

BOARD ORDER NO. 286-2010

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 2nd day of December, 2010.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION  
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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Linda Nelson, Chairman

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Wayne Smith, Vice-Chairman

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Don Bradshaw, Board Member

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Ronald S. Efta, Board Member

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Jay Gunderson, Board Member

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Jack King, Board Member

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Bret Smelser, Board Member

ATTEST:

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Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary

BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION  
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

UPON THE APPLICATION OF BURLINGTON  
RESOURCES OIL & GAS COMPANY, INC.  
TO CREATE A FIELD AND PERMANENT SPACING UNIT  
COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTION 31, T24N-R53E,  
RICHLAND COUNTY, MONTANA, FOR PRODUCTION  
OF BAKKEN FORMATION OIL AND ASSOCIATED  
NATURAL GAS AND TO DESIGNATE APPLICANT'S  
BR 41-31H 43 WELL AS THE ONLY AUTHORIZED  
WELL FOR SAID SPACING UNIT.

ORDER 287-2010

Docket No. 363-2010

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 2nd day of December, 2010 at the Board's hearing room at its office at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity present evidence, oral and documentary.
2. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that all of Section 31, T24N-R53E, Richland County, Montana, is designated a permanent spacing unit for production of Bakken Formation oil and associated natural gas..

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that applicant's BR 41-31H 43 well is the only authorized well for said permanent spacing unit.

BOARD ORDER NO. 287-2010

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 2nd day of December, 2010.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION  
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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Linda Nelson, Chairman

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Wayne Smith, Vice-Chairman

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Don Bradshaw, Board Member

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Ronald S. Efta, Board Member

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Jay Gunderson, Board Member

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Jack King, Board Member

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Bret Smelser, Board Member

ATTEST:

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Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary

BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION  
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

UPON THE APPLICATION OF BURLINGTON  
RESOURCES OIL & GAS COMPANY, INC.  
TO CREATE A FIELD AND PERMANENT SPACING UNIT  
COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTION 29, T26N-R53E,  
RICHLAND COUNTY, MONTANA, FOR PRODUCTION  
OF BAKKEN FORMATION OIL AND ASSOCIATED  
NATURAL GAS AND TO DESIGNATE APPLICANT'S  
BR 44-29H 63 WELL AS THE ONLY AUTHORIZED  
WELL FOR SAID SPACING UNIT.

ORDER 288-2010

Docket No. 364-2010

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 2nd day of December, 2010 at the Board's hearing room at its office at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity present evidence, oral and documentary.
2. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that all of Section 29, T26N-R53E, Richland County, Montana, is designated a permanent spacing unit for production of Bakken Formation oil and associated natural gas.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that applicant's BR 44-29H 63 well is the only authorized well for said permanent spacing unit.

BOARD ORDER NO. 288-2010

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 2nd day of December, 2010.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION  
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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Linda Nelson, Chairman

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Wayne Smith, Vice-Chairman

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Don Bradshaw, Board Member

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Ronald S. Efta, Board Member

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Jay Gunderson, Board Member

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Jack King, Board Member

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Bret Smelser, Board Member

ATTEST:

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Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary

BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION  
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

UPON THE APPLICATION OF BURLINGTON  
RESOURCES OIL & GAS COMPANY, INC.  
TO CREATE A FIELD AND PERMANENT SPACING UNIT  
COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTION 7, T23N-R54E,  
RICHLAND COUNTY, MONTANA, FOR PRODUCTION  
OF BAKKEN FORMATION OIL AND ASSOCIATED  
NATURAL GAS AND TO DESIGNATE APPLICANT'S  
BR 11-7H 34 WELL AS THE ONLY AUTHORIZED  
WELL FOR SAID SPACING UNIT.

ORDER 289-2010

Docket No. 365-2010

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 2nd day of December, 2010 at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity present evidence, oral and documentary.
2. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that all of Section 7, T23N-R54E, Richland County, Montana, is designated a permanent spacing unit for production of Bakken Formation oil and associated natural gas.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that applicant's BR 11-7H 34 well is the only authorized well for said spacing unit.

BOARD ORDER NO. 289-2010

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 2nd day of December, 2010.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION  
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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Linda Nelson, Chairman

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Wayne Smith, Vice-Chairman

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Don Bradshaw, Board Member

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Ronald S. Efta, Board Member

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Jay Gunderson, Board Member

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Jack King, Board Member

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Bret Smelser, Board Member

ATTEST:

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Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary

BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION  
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

UPON THE APPLICATION OF BURLINGTON  
RESOURCES OIL & GAS COMPANY, INC.  
TO CREATE A FIELD AND PERMANENT SPACING UNIT  
COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTION 3, T25N-R54E,  
RICHLAND COUNTY, MONTANA, FOR PRODUCTION  
OF BAKKEN FORMATION OIL AND ASSOCIATED  
NATURAL GAS AND TO DESIGNATE APPLICANT'S  
BR 41-3H 54 WELL AS THE ONLY AUTHORIZED WELL  
FOR SAID SPACING UNIT.

ORDER 290-2010

Docket No. 366-2010

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 2nd day of December, 2010 at the Board's hearing room at its office at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity present evidence, oral and documentary.
2. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that all of Section 3, T25N-R54E, Richland County, Montana, is designated a permanent spacing unit for production of Bakken Formation oil and associated natural gas.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that applicant's BR 41-3H 54 well is the only authorized well for said permanent spacing unit.

BOARD ORDER NO. 290-2010

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 2nd day of December, 2010.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION  
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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Linda Nelson, Chairman

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Wayne Smith, Vice-Chairman

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Don Bradshaw, Board Member

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Ronald S. Efta, Board Member

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Jay Gunderson, Board Member

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Jack King, Board Member

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Bret Smelser, Board Member

ATTEST:

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Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary

BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION  
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

UPON THE APPLICATION OF BURLINGTON  
RESOURCES OIL & GAS COMPANY, INC.  
TO CREATE A FIELD AND PERMANENT SPACING UNIT  
COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTION 9, T25N-R54E,  
RICHLAND COUNTY, MONTANA, FOR PRODUCTION  
OF BAKKEN FORMATION OIL AND ASSOCIATED  
NATURAL GAS AND TO DESIGNATE APPLICANT'S  
BR 44-9H 54 WELL AS THE ONLY AUTHORIZED  
WELL FOR SAID SPACING UNIT.

ORDER 291-2010

Docket No. 367-2010

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 2nd day of December, 2010 at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity present evidence, oral and documentary.
2. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that all of Section 9, T25N-R54E, Richland County, Montana, is designated a permanent spacing unit for production of Bakken Formation oil and associated natural gas .

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that applicant's BR 44-9H 54 well is the only authorized well for said permanent spacing unit.

BOARD ORDER NO. 291-2010

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 2nd day of December, 2010.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION  
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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Linda Nelson, Chairman

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Wayne Smith, Vice-Chairman

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Don Bradshaw, Board Member

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Ronald S. Efta, Board Member

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Jay Gunderson, Board Member

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Jack King, Board Member

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Bret Smelser, Board Member

ATTEST:

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Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary

BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION  
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

UPON THE APPLICATION OF BURLINGTON  
RESOURCES OIL & GAS COMPANY, INC.  
TO CREATE A FIELD AND PERMANENT SPACING UNIT  
COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTION 5, T22N-R57E,  
RICHLAND COUNTY, MONTANA, FOR PRODUCTION  
OF BAKKEN FORMATION OIL AND ASSOCIATED  
NATURAL GAS AND TO DESIGNATE APPLICANT'S  
BR 31-5H 27 WELL AS THE ONLY AUTHORIZED WELL  
FOR SAID SPACING UNIT.

ORDER 292-2010

Docket No. 368-2010

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 2nd day of December, 2010 at the Board's hearing room at its office at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity present evidence, oral and documentary.
2. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that all of Section 5, T22N-R57E, Richland County, Montana, is designated a permanent spacing unit for production of Bakken Formation oil and associated natural gas..

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that applicant's BR 31-5H 27 well is the only authorized well for said permanent spacing unit.

BOARD ORDER NO. 292-2010

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 2nd day of December, 2010.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION  
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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Linda Nelson, Chairman

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Wayne Smith, Vice-Chairman

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Don Bradshaw, Board Member

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Ronald S. Efta, Board Member

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Jay Gunderson, Board Member

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Jack King, Board Member

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Bret Smelser, Board Member

ATTEST:

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Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary

BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION  
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

UPON THE APPLICATION OF BURLINGTON  
RESOURCES OIL & GAS COMPANY, INC.  
TO CREATE A FIELD AND PERMANENT SPACING UNIT  
COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTION 31, T23N-R57E,  
RICHLAND COUNTY, MONTANA, FOR PRODUCTION  
OF BAKKEN FORMATION OIL AND ASSOCIATED  
NATURAL GAS AND TO DESIGNATE APPLICANT'S  
BR 31-31H 37 WELL AS THE ONLY AUTHORIZED  
WELL FOR SAID SPACING UNIT.

ORDER 293-2010

Docket No. 369-2010

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 2nd day of December, 2010 at the Board's hearing room at its office at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity present evidence, oral and documentary.

2. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that all of Section 31, T23N-R57E, Richland County, Montana, is designated a permanent spacing unit for production of Bakken Formation oil and associated natural gas.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that applicant's BR 31-31H 37 well is the only authorized well for said permanent spacing unit.

BOARD ORDER NO. 293-2010

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 2nd day of December, 2010.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION  
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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Linda Nelson, Chairman

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Wayne Smith, Vice-Chairman

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Don Bradshaw, Board Member

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Ronald S. Efta, Board Member

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Jay Gunderson, Board Member

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Jack King, Board Member

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Bret Smelser, Board Member

ATTEST:

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Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary

BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION  
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

UPON THE APPLICATION OF BURLINGTON  
RESOURCES OIL & GAS COMPANY, INC.  
TO CREATE A FIELD AND PERMANENT SPACING UNIT  
COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTION 19, T22N-R58E,  
RICHLAND COUNTY, MONTANA, FOR PRODUCTION  
OF BAKKEN FORMATION OIL AND ASSOCIATED  
NATURAL GAS AND TO DESIGNATE APPLICANT'S  
BR 41-19H 28 WELL AS THE ONLY AUTHORIZED  
WELL FOR SAID SPACING UNIT.

ORDER 294-2010

Docket No. 370-2010

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 2nd day of December, 2010 at the Board's hearing room at its office at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity present evidence, oral and documentary.
2. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that all of Section 19, T22N-R58E, Richland County, Montana, is designated a permanent spacing unit for production of Bakken Formation oil and associated natural gas.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that applicant's BR 41-19H 28 well is the only authorized well for said permanent spacing unit.

BOARD ORDER NO. 294-2010

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 2nd day of December, 2010.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION  
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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Linda Nelson, Chairman

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Wayne Smith, Vice-Chairman

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Don Bradshaw, Board Member

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Ronald S. Efta, Board Member

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Jay Gunderson, Board Member

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Jack King, Board Member

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Bret Smelser, Board Member

ATTEST:

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Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary

BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION  
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

UPON THE APPLICATION OF BURLINGTON  
RESOURCES OIL & GAS COMPANY, INC.  
TO CREATE A FIELD AND PERMANENT SPACING UNIT  
COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTION 21, T22N-R58E,  
RICHLAND COUNTY, MONTANA, FOR PRODUCTION  
OF BAKKEN FORMATION OIL AND ASSOCIATED  
NATURAL GAS AND TO DESIGNATE APPLICANT'S  
BR 41-21H 28 WELL AS THE ONLY AUTHORIZED  
WELL FOR SAID SPACING UNIT.

ORDER 295-2010

Docket No. 371-2010

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 2nd day of December, 2010 at the Board's hearing room at its office at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity present evidence, oral and documentary.
2. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that all of Section 21, T22N-R58E, Richland County, Montana, is designated a permanent spacing unit for production of Bakken Formation oil and associated natural gas..

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that applicant's BR 41-21H 28 well is the only authorized well for said permanent spacing unit.

BOARD ORDER NO. 295-2010

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 2nd day of December, 2010.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION  
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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Linda Nelson, Chairman

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Wayne Smith, Vice-Chairman

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Don Bradshaw, Board Member

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Ronald S. Efta, Board Member

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Jay Gunderson, Board Member

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Jack King, Board Member

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Bret Smelser, Board Member

ATTEST:

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Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary

BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION  
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

UPON THE APPLICATION OF BURLINGTON  
RESOURCES OIL & GAS COMPANY, INC.  
TO CREATE A FIELD AND PERMANENT SPACING UNIT  
COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTION 29, T22N-R58E,  
RICHLAND COUNTY, MONTANA, FOR PRODUCTION  
OF BAKKEN FORMATION OIL AND ASSOCIATED  
NATURAL GAS AND TO DESIGNATE APPLICANT'S  
BR 41-29H 28 WELL AS THE ONLY AUTHORIZED  
WELL FOR SAID SPACING UNIT.

ORDER 296-2010

Docket No. 372-2010

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 2nd day of December, 2010 at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity present evidence, oral and documentary.
2. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that all of Section 29, T22N-R58E, Richland County, Montana, is designated a permanent spacing unit for production of Bakken Formation oil and associated natural gas..

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that applicant's BR 41-29H 28 well is the only authorized well for said permanent spacing unit.

BOARD ORDER NO. 296-2010

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 2nd day of December, 2010.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION  
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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Linda Nelson, Chairman

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Wayne Smith, Vice-Chairman

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Don Bradshaw, Board Member

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Ronald S. Efta, Board Member

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Jay Gunderson, Board Member

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Jack King, Board Member

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Bret Smelser, Board Member

ATTEST:

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Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary

BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION  
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

UPON THE APPLICATION OF BURLINGTON  
RESOURCES OIL & GAS COMPANY, INC.  
TO CREATE A FIELD AND PERMANENT SPACING UNIT  
COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTION 19, T24N-R58E,  
RICHLAND COUNTY, MONTANA, FOR PRODUCTION  
OF BAKKEN FORMATION OIL AND ASSOCIATED  
NATURAL GAS AND TO DESIGNATE APPLICANT'S  
BR 14-19H 48 WELL AS THE ONLY AUTHORIZED  
WELL FOR SAID SPACING UNIT.

ORDER 297-2010

Docket No. 373-2010

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 2nd day of December, 2010 at the Board's hearing room at its office at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity present evidence, oral and documentary.
2. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that all of Section 19, T24N-R58E, Richland County, Montana, is designated a permanent spacing unit for production of Bakken Formation oil and associated natural gas..

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that applicant's BR 14-19H 48 well is the only authorized well for said permanent spacing unit.

BOARD ORDER NO. 297-2010

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 2nd day of December, 2010.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION  
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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Linda Nelson, Chairman

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Wayne Smith, Vice-Chairman

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Don Bradshaw, Board Member

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Ronald S. Efta, Board Member

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Jay Gunderson, Board Member

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Jack King, Board Member

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Bret Smelser, Board Member

ATTEST:

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Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary

BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION  
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

UPON THE APPLICATION OF BURLINGTON  
RESOURCES OIL & GAS COMPANY, INC.  
TO CREATE A FIELD AND PERMANENT SPACING UNIT  
COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTION 1, T21N-R59E,  
RICHLAND COUNTY, MONTANA, FOR PRODUCTION  
OF BAKKEN FORMATION OIL AND ASSOCIATED  
NATURAL GAS AND TO DESIGNATE APPLICANT'S  
BR 11-1H 19 WELL AS THE ONLY AUTHORIZED  
WELL FOR SAID SPACING UNIT.

ORDER 298-2010

Docket No. 374-2010

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 2nd day of December, 2010 at the Board's hearing room at its office at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity present evidence, oral and documentary.

2. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that all of Section 1, T21N-R59E, Richland County, Montana, is designated a permanent spacing unit for production of Bakken Formation oil and associated natural gas.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that applicant's BR 11-1H 19 well is the only authorized well for said permanent spacing unit.

BOARD ORDER NO. 298-2010

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 2nd day of December, 2010.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION  
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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Linda Nelson, Chairman

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Wayne Smith, Vice-Chairman

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Don Bradshaw, Board Member

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Ronald S. Efta, Board Member

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Jay Gunderson, Board Member

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Jack King, Board Member

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Bret Smelser, Board Member

ATTEST:

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Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary

BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION  
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

UPON THE APPLICATION OF BURLINGTON  
RESOURCES OIL & GAS COMPANY, INC.  
TO CREATE A FIELD AND PERMANENT SPACING UNIT  
COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTION 11, T21N-R59E,  
RICHLAND COUNTY, MONTANA, FOR PRODUCTION  
OF BAKKEN FORMATION OIL AND ASSOCIATED  
NATURAL GAS AND TO DESIGNATE APPLICANT'S  
BR 41-11H 19 WELL AS THE ONLY AUTHORIZED  
WELL FOR SAID SPACING UNIT.

ORDER 299-2010

Docket No. 375-2010

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 2nd day of December, 2010 at the Board's hearing room at its office at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity present evidence, oral and documentary.
2. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that all of Section 11, T21N-R59E, Richland County, Montana, is designated a permanent spacing unit for production of Bakken Formation oil and associated natural gas.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that applicant's BR 41-11H 19 well is the only authorized well for said permanent spacing unit.

BOARD ORDER NO. 299-2010

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 2nd day of December, 2010.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION  
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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Linda Nelson, Chairman

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Wayne Smith, Vice-Chairman

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Don Bradshaw, Board Member

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Ronald S. Efta, Board Member

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Jay Gunderson, Board Member

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Jack King, Board Member

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Bret Smelser, Board Member

ATTEST:

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Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary

BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION  
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

UPON THE APPLICATION OF BRIGHAM OIL &  
GAS, L.P. TO CREATE A TEMPORARY SPACING  
UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTIONS 1  
AND 12, T25N-R57E, RICHLAND COUNTY, MONTANA,  
TO DRILL A HORIZONTAL BAKKEN FORMATION  
WELL ANYWHERE WITHIN SAID TEMPORARY SPACING  
UNIT BUT NOT CLOSER THAN 660 FEET TO THE  
BOUNDARIES THEREOF. APPLICANT WILL, WITHIN  
90 DAYS OF SUCCESSFUL COMPLETION OF THE  
PROPOSED HORIZONTAL OPERATION, FILE AN  
APPLICATION FOR PERMANENT SPACING WITH  
THE BOARD.

ORDER 300-2010

Docket No. 381-2010

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 2nd day of December, 2010 at the Board's hearing room at its office at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity present evidence, oral and documentary.
2. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that the application of Brigham Oil & Gas, LP is granted as applied for.

BOARD ORDER NO. 300-2010

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 2nd day of December, 2010.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION  
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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Linda Nelson, Chairman

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Wayne Smith, Vice-Chairman

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Don Bradshaw, Board Member

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Ronald S. Efta, Board Member

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Jay Gunderson, Board Member

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Jack King, Board Member

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Bret Smelser, Board Member

ATTEST:

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Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary

BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION  
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

UPON THE APPLICATION OF BRIGHAM OIL &  
GAS, L.P. TO CREATE A TEMPORARY SPACING  
UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTIONS 3  
AND 10, T26N-R57E, RICHLAND COUNTY, MONTANA,  
TO DRILL A HORIZONTAL BAKKEN FORMATION  
WELL ANYWHERE WITHIN SAID TEMPORARY  
SPACING UNIT BUT NOT CLOSER THAN 660 FEET TO  
THE BOUNDARIES THEREOF. APPLICANT WILL,  
WITHIN 90 DAYS OF SUCCESSFUL COMPLETION OF  
THE PROPOSED HORIZONTAL OPERATION, FILE AN  
APPLICATION FOR PERMANENT SPACING WITH  
THE BOARD.

ORDER 301-2010

Docket No. 382-2010

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 2nd day of December, 2010 at the Board's hearing room at its office at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity present evidence, oral and documentary.
2. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that the application of Brigham Oil & Gas, LP is granted as applied for.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a federal communitization agreement for spacing units which contain both federal and non-federal land shall be submitted to the authorized officer of the Bureau of Land Management prior to or upon completion of a producible well.

BOARD ORDER NO. 301-2010

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 2nd day of December, 2010.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION  
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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Linda Nelson, Chairman

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Wayne Smith, Vice-Chairman

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Don Bradshaw, Board Member

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Ronald S. Efta, Board Member

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Jay Gunderson, Board Member

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Jack King, Board Member

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Bret Smelser, Board Member

ATTEST:

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Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary

BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION  
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

UPON THE APPLICATION OF BRIGHAM OIL &  
GAS, L.P. TO CREATE A TEMPORARY  
SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTIONS 15  
AND 22, T26N-R57E, RICHLAND COUNTY, MONTANA,  
TO DRILL A HORIZONTAL BAKKEN FORMATION  
WELL ANYWHERE WITHIN SAID TEMPORARY  
SPACING UNIT BUT NOT CLOSER THAN 660 FEET TO  
THE BOUNDARIES THEREOF. APPLICANT WILL,  
WITHIN 90 DAYS OF SUCCESSFUL COMPLETION OF  
THE PROPOSED HORIZONTAL OPERATION, FILE AN  
APPLICATION FOR PERMANENT SPACING WITH THE  
BOARD.

ORDER 302-2010

Docket No. 385-2010

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 2nd day of December, 2010 at the Board's hearing room at its office at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity present evidence, oral and documentary.
2. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that the application of Brigham Oil & Gas, LP is granted as applied for.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a federal communitization agreement for spacing units which contain both federal and non-federal land shall be submitted to the authorized officer of the Bureau of Land Management prior to or upon completion of a producible well.

BOARD ORDER NO. 302-2010

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 2nd day of December, 2010.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION  
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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Linda Nelson, Chairman

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Wayne Smith, Vice-Chairman

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Don Bradshaw, Board Member

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Ronald S. Efta, Board Member

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Jay Gunderson, Board Member

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Jack King, Board Member

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Bret Smelser, Board Member

ATTEST:

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Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary

BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION  
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

UPON THE APPLICATION OF BRIGHAM  
OIL & GAS, L.P. TO CREATE A TEMPORARY  
SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTIONS 16  
AND 21, T25N-R58E, RICHLAND COUNTY, MONTANA,  
TO DRILL A HORIZONTAL BAKKEN FORMATION  
WELL ANYWHERE WITHIN SAID TEMPORARY  
SPACING UNIT BUT NOT CLOSER THAN 660 FEET  
TO THE BOUNDARIES THEREOF. APPLICANT WILL,  
WITHIN 90 DAYS OF SUCCESSFUL COMPLETION OF  
THE PROPOSED HORIZONTAL OPERATION, FILE AN  
APPLICATION FOR PERMANENT SPACING WITH  
THE BOARD.

ORDER 303-2010

Docket No. 389-2010

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 2nd day of December, 2010 at the Board's hearing room at its office at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity present evidence, oral and documentary.
2. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that the application of Brigham Oil & Gas, LP is granted as applied for.

BOARD ORDER NO. 303-2010

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 2nd day of December, 2010.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION  
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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Linda Nelson, Chairman

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Wayne Smith, Vice-Chairman

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Don Bradshaw, Board Member

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Ronald S. Efta, Board Member

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Jay Gunderson, Board Member

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Jack King, Board Member

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Bret Smelser, Board Member

ATTEST:

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Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary

BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION  
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

UPON THE APPLICATION OF BRIGHAM  
OIL & GAS, L.P. TO CREATE A TEMPORARY  
SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTIONS 26  
AND 35, T25N-R58E, RICHLAND COUNTY, MONTANA,  
TO DRILL A HORIZONTAL BAKKEN FORMATION  
WELL ANYWHERE WITHIN SAID TEMPORARY  
SPACING UNIT BUT NOT CLOSER THAN 660 FEET TO  
THE BOUNDARIES THEREOF. APPLICANT WILL,  
WITHIN 90 DAYS OF SUCCESSFUL COMPLETION OF  
THE PROPOSED HORIZONTAL OPERATION, FILE AN  
APPLICATION FOR PERMANENT SPACING WITH  
THE BOARD.

ORDER 304-2010

Docket No. 390-2010

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 2nd day of December, 2010 at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity present evidence, oral and documentary.

2. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that the application of Brigham Oil & Gas, LP is granted as applied for.

BOARD ORDER NO. 304-2010

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 2nd day of December, 2010.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION  
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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Linda Nelson, Chairman

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Wayne Smith, Vice-Chairman

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Don Bradshaw, Board Member

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Ronald S. Efta, Board Member

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Jay Gunderson, Board Member

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Jack King, Board Member

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Bret Smelser, Board Member

ATTEST:

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Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary

BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION  
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

UPON THE APPLICATION OF BRIGHAM  
OIL & GAS, L.P. TO CREATE A TEMPORARY  
SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTIONS 27  
AND 34, T26N-R58E, RICHLAND COUNTY, MONTANA,  
TO DRILL A HORIZONTAL BAKKEN FORMATION  
WELL ANYWHERE WITHIN SAID TEMPORARY  
SPACING UNIT BUT NOT CLOSER THAN 660 FEET TO  
THE BOUNDARIES THEREOF. APPLICANT WILL,  
WITHIN 90 DAYS OF SUCCESSFUL COMPLETION OF  
THE PROPOSED HORIZONTAL OPERATION, FILE AN  
APPLICATION FOR PERMANENT SPACING WITH  
THE BOARD.

ORDER 305-2010

Docket No. 392-2010

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 2nd day of December, 2010 at the Board's hearing room at its office at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity present evidence, oral and documentary.

2. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that the application of Brigham Oil & Gas, LP is granted as applied for.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a federal communitization agreement for spacing units which contain both federal and non-federal land shall be submitted to the authorized officer of the Bureau of Land Management prior to or upon completion of a producible well.

BOARD ORDER NO. 305-2010

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 2nd day of December, 2010.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION  
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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Linda Nelson, Chairman

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Wayne Smith, Vice-Chairman

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Don Bradshaw, Board Member

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Ronald S. Efta, Board Member

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Jay Gunderson, Board Member

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Jack King, Board Member

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Bret Smelser, Board Member

ATTEST:

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Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary

BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION  
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

UPON THE APPLICATION OF BRIGHAM  
OIL & GAS, L.P. TO CREATE A TEMPORARY  
SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTIONS 28  
AND 33, T26N-R58E, RICHLAND COUNTY, MONTANA,  
TO DRILL A HORIZONTAL BAKKEN FORMATION  
WELL ANYWHERE WITHIN SAID TEMPORARY  
SPACING UNIT BUT NOT CLOSER THAN 660 FEET TO  
THE BOUNDARIES THEREOF. APPLICANT WILL,  
WITHIN 90 DAYS OF SUCCESSFUL COMPLETION OF  
THE PROPOSED HORIZONTAL OPERATION, FILE AN  
APPLICATION FOR PERMANENT SPACING WITH  
THE BOARD.

ORDER 306-2010

Docket No. 393-2010

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 2nd day of December, 2010 at the Board's hearing room at its office at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity present evidence, oral and documentary.
2. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that the application of Brigham Oil & Gas, LP is granted as applied for.

BOARD ORDER NO. 306-2010

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 2nd day of December, 2010.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION  
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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Linda Nelson, Chairman

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Wayne Smith, Vice-Chairman

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Don Bradshaw, Board Member

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Ronald S. Efta, Board Member

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Jay Gunderson, Board Member

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Jack King, Board Member

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Bret Smelser, Board Member

ATTEST:

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Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary

BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION  
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

UPON THE APPLICATION OF DECKER  
OPERATING COMPANY LLC TO DRILL AND  
PRODUCE THE FOLLOWING ADDITIONAL GAS WELLS  
WITHIN AND UPON SECTIONS 21 AND 29, T33N-R31E,  
MILK RIVER UNIT AREA, PHILLIPS COUNTY,  
MONTANA: 1) THE MRFU #2131-3 LOCATED IN THE  
NE¼ OF SAID SECTION 21 AT A LOCATION 1400' FNL  
AND 1942' FEL; AND 2) THE MRFU #2931-2 LOCATED  
IN THE NW¼ OF SAID SECTION 29 AT A LOCATION  
1023' FWL AND 1595' FNL.

ORDER 307-2010

APPLICANT ALSO REQUESTS AUTHORIZATION TO  
DRILL AND PRODUCE FOUR WELLS WITHIN AND  
UPON EACH OF THE ABOVE DESCRIBED  
GOVERNMENTAL SECTIONS (SECTION 21 AND 29),  
WITH ONE SUCH WELL IN EACH GOVERNMENTAL  
QUARTER-SECTION AS AN EXCEPTION TO  
A.R.M. 36.22.702 (11). APPLICANT FURTHER  
REQUESTS PERMISSION TO COMMINGLE AND  
PRODUCE DOWNHOLE NATURAL GAS FROM ANY  
WELL IF CAPABLE OF COMMERCIAL PRODUCTION  
FROM MULTIPLE ZONES, FORMATIONS OR HORIZONS.

Docket No. 397-2010 & 1-2011 FED

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 2nd day of December, 2010 at the Board's hearing room at its office at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity present evidence, oral and documentary.
2. At the hearing, applicant's attorney Don Lee amended the application to eliminate Section 21 from the request and to request approval for increased density of up to one well in each governmental quarter section within Section 29.
3. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that Decker Operating Company LLC is authorized to drill and produce four wells within and upon Section 29, T33N-R31E, Milk River Unit Area, Phillips County, Montana, with one well in each governmental quarter section as an exception to A.R.M. 36.22.702 (11).

BOARD ORDER NO. 307-2010

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that applicant is hereby authorized to commingle and produce downhole natural gas from any well if capable of commercial production from multiple zones, formations or horizons.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a federal communitization agreement for spacing units which contain both federal and non-federal land shall be submitted to the authorized officer of the Bureau of Land Management prior to or upon completion of a producible well.

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 2nd day of December, 2010.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION  
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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Linda Nelson, Chairman

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Wayne Smith, Vice-Chairman

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Don Bradshaw, Board Member

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Ronald S. Efta, Board Member

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Jay Gunderson, Board Member

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Jack King, Board Member

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Bret Smelser, Board Member

ATTEST:

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Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary

BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION  
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

UPON THE APPLICATION OF CONTINENTAL  
RESOURCES, INC. TO VACATE AND  
RESCIND THE FOLLOWING BOARD ORDERS  
WHICH ESTABLISHED TEMPORARY SPACING  
UNITS ON THE FOLLOWING LANDS IN RICHLAND  
COUNTY, MONTANA:

ORDER 308-2010

BOARD ORDER 228-2005, SECTIONS 22 AND  
27, T27N-R54E

BOARD ORDER 333-2005, SECTIONS 12 AND  
13, T25N-R55E

BOARD ORDER 334-2005, SECTIONS 8 AND  
17, T25N-R56E

BOARD ORDER 335-2005, SECTIONS 9 AND  
16, T25N-R56E

BOARD ORDER 434-2005, SECTIONS 11 AND  
14, T25N-R56E

BOARD ORDER 435-2005, SECTIONS 12 AND  
13, T25N-R56E

BOARD ORDER 118-2006, SECTIONS 10 AND  
15, T25N-R56E

Docket No. 398-2010

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 2nd day of December, 2010 at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity present evidence, oral and documentary.

2. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that the application of Continental Resources, Inc. is hereby granted as applied for.

BOARD ORDER NO. 308-2010

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 2nd day of December, 2010.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION  
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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Linda Nelson, Chairman

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Wayne Smith, Vice-Chairman

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Don Bradshaw, Board Member

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Ronald S. Efta, Board Member

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Jay Gunderson, Board Member

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Jack King, Board Member

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Bret Smelser, Board Member

ATTEST:

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Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary

BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION  
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

UPON THE APPLICATION OF ZENERGY  
OPERATING COMPANY, LLC TO CREATE A  
PERMANENT SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL OF  
SECTIONS 24 AND 25, T27N-R58E, ROOSEVELT  
COUNTY, MONTANA, FOR PRODUCTION OF BAKKEN  
FORMATION OIL AND ASSOCIATED NATURAL GAS  
FROM THE LUKE SWEETMAN 24-25H WELL.

ORDER 309-2010

Docket No. 418-2010

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 2nd day of December, 2010 at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity present evidence, oral and documentary.
2. Oasis Petroleum (Oasis) appeared at the hearing on this matter. Their attorney, John Lee, explained that in the last 30 days Oasis acquired Zenergy Operating Company, LLC's holdings in this area and that is why the exhibits are all from Oasis.
3. At the hearing it was determined that the bottom hole location of the Luke Sweetman 24-25H well was 656' FSL and 1972' FWL of Section 25, or four feet closer to the section line than authorized by Board Order 97-2009.
4. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that all of Sections 24 and 25, T27N-R58E, Roosevelt County, Montana, is designated a permanent spacing unit for production of Bakken Formation oil and associated natural gas from the Luke Sweetman 24-25H well.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Luke Sweetman 24-25H well is authorized to produce with a bottom hole location 656' FSL and 1972' FWL of Section 25 as an exception to Board Order 97-2009.

BOARD ORDER NO. 309-2010

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 2nd day of December, 2010.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION  
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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Linda Nelson, Chairman

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Wayne Smith, Vice-Chairman

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Don Bradshaw, Board Member

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Ronald S. Efta, Board Member

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Jay Gunderson, Board Member

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Jack King, Board Member

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Bret Smelser, Board Member

ATTEST:

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Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary

BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION  
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

UPON THE APPLICATION OF TITAN OIL, INC.  
TO CREATE A PERMANENT SPACING  
UNIT COMPRISED OF LOTS 3 AND 4, THE S½NW¼  
AND THE SW¼ (W½) OF SECTION 2, T13N-R60E,  
WIBAUX COUNTY, MONTANA, FOR PRODUCTION OF  
OIL AND ASSOCIATED NATURAL GAS FROM THE  
CHARLES AND KIBBEY FORMATIONS IN THE  
WOJAHN "A" #5-2 WELL.

ORDER 310-2010

Docket No. 420-2010

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 2nd day of December, 2010 at the Board's hearing room at its office at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity present evidence, oral and documentary.
2. At the hearing, Keith Carver of Titan Oil, Inc. said the Wojahn "A" #5-2 well is less than 660 feet to the quarter-section boundary so he is asking for a spacing exception because the well will be recompleted in shallower zones and production commingled.. He also testified that the mineral ownership is the same whether the spacing is 160 acres or 320 acres.
3. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that Lots 3 and 4, the S½NW¼ and the SW¼ (W½) of Section 2, T13N-R60E, Wibaux County, Montana, is designated a permanent spacing unit for production of oil and associated natural gas from the Charles and Kibbey Formations in the Wojahn "A" #5-2 well.

BOARD ORDER NO. 310-2010

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 2nd day of December, 2010.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION  
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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Linda Nelson, Chairman

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Wayne Smith, Vice-Chairman

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Don Bradshaw, Board Member

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Ronald S. Efta, Board Member

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Jay Gunderson, Board Member

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Jack King, Board Member

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Bret Smelser, Board Member

ATTEST:

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Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary

BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION  
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

UPON THE APPLICATION OF ZENERGY  
OPERATING COMPANY, LLC TO CREATE A  
TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL OF  
SECTIONS 11 AND 14, T27N-R58E, ROOSEVELT  
COUNTY, MONTANA, TO DRILL A HORIZONTAL  
BAKKEN FORMATION WELL ANYWHERE WITHIN  
SAID TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT BUT NOT CLOSER  
THAN 660 FEET TO THE BOUNDARIES THEREOF.  
APPLICANT STATES IT WILL FILE AN APPLICATION  
FOR PERMANENT SPACING WITHIN 90 DAYS OF  
SUCCESSFUL COMPLETION OF THE PROPOSED  
HORIZONTAL WELL.

ORDER 311-2010

Docket No. 118-2010

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 2nd day of December, 2010 at the Board's hearing room at its office at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity present evidence, oral and documentary.
2. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that the application of Zenergy Operating Company is granted as applied for.

BOARD ORDER NO. 311-2010

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 2nd day of December, 2010.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION  
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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Linda Nelson, Chairman

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Wayne Smith, Vice-Chairman

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Don Bradshaw, Board Member

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Ronald S. Efta, Board Member

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Jay Gunderson, Board Member

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Jack King, Board Member

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Bret Smelser, Board Member

ATTEST:

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Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary

BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION  
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

UPON THE APPLICATION OF ZENERGY  
OPERATING COMPANY, LLC TO CREATE A  
TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL OF  
SECTIONS 17 AND 20, T28N-R58E, ROOSEVELT  
COUNTY, MONTANA, TO DRILL A HORIZONTAL  
BAKKEN FORMATION WELL ANYWHERE WITHIN  
SAID TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT BUT NOT CLOSER  
THAN 660 FEET TO THE BOUNDARIES THEREOF.  
APPLICANT STATES IT WILL FILE AN APPLICATION  
FOR PERMANENT SPACING WITHIN 90 DAYS OF  
SUCCESSFUL COMPLETION OF THE PROPOSED  
HORIZONTAL WELL.

ORDER 312-2010

Docket No. 124-2010

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 2nd day of December, 2010 at the Board's hearing room at its office at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity present evidence, oral and documentary.

2. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that the application of Zenergy Operating Company, LLC is granted as applied for.

BOARD ORDER NO. 312-2010

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 2nd day of December, 2010.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION  
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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Linda Nelson, Chairman

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Wayne Smith, Vice-Chairman

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Don Bradshaw, Board Member

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Ronald S. Efta, Board Member

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Jay Gunderson, Board Member

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Jack King, Board Member

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Bret Smelser, Board Member

ATTEST:

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Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary

BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION  
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

UPON THE APPLICATION OF CARDINAL  
OIL LLC TO CREATE A TEMPORARY  
SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL OF  
SECTIONS 13 AND 24, T30N-R57E, ROOSEVELT  
COUNTY, MONTANA, TO DRILL A HORIZONTAL  
BAKKEN FORMATION WELL ANYWHERE  
WITHIN SAID TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT BUT  
NOT CLOSER THAN 660 FEET TO THE  
BOUNDARIES THEREOF, AS AN EXCEPTION TO  
A.R.M. 36.22.703(4). APPLICANT WILL FILE AN  
APPLICATION FOR PERMANENT SPACING  
WITHIN 90 DAYS OF THE SUCCESSFUL  
COMPLETION OF THE PROPOSED HORIZONTAL  
WELL.

ORDER 313-2010

Docket No. 246-2010

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 2nd day of December, 2010 at the Board's hearing room at its office at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. Member Jack King recused himself and took no part in the proceedings on this matter. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity present evidence, oral and documentary.
2. Oasis Petroleum (Oasis), represented by attorney John Lee, was present to protest this application and Docket 247-2010 also submitted by Cardinal Oil LLC (Cardinal). Oasis testified it has 100 percent of working ownership in said Section 24 of this application and wants to operate the well drilled in that section. Oasis testified it does not concur with stand-up 1280's. Mr. Keith Beers of Oasis testified they have tried to work this out with Cardinal but have been unable to, and have been told they will be trespassing if they come onto the acreage.
3. Attorney Loren J. O' Toole, Jr. testified that his client (Cardinal) believes the evidence will show that stand-ups are typical in the region and that his client wants to operate the well that will be drilled under this application and the well that will be drilled in Docket 247-2010. Mr. O'Toole stated his client wanted the Board to make a determination today.
4. Tom Richmond, administrator of the Board, said the Board does not have a policy about who the operator should be in a spacing unit and he would prefer that the parties got together and worked it out instead of the Board making that decision.

BOARD ORDER NO. 313-2010

5. Attorney O'Toole said if the two stand-up spacing units requested by Cardinal Oil LLC are approved, Cardinal would agree to operating the one requested in Docket 247-2010 and Oasis operating the one requested in this docket. He also agreed that each party could work with each other regarding the no trespass issue when the wells are drilled.

6. The evidence indicates that granting the application in the manner hereinafter set forth will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Order

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that all of Sections 13 and 24, T30N-R57E, Roosevelt County, Montana is designated a temporary spacing unit for purposes of drilling a horizontal Bakken Formation well anywhere within said temporary spacing unit but not closer than 660 feet to the boundaries thereof as an exception to A.R.M. 36.22.703 (4).

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that an application for permanent spacing must be filed with the Board within 90 days of successful completion of the proposed horizontal well.

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 2nd day of December, 2010.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION  
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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Linda Nelson, Chairman

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Wayne Smith, Vice-Chairman

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Don Bradshaw, Board Member

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Ronald S. Efta, Board Member

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Jay Gunderson, Board Member

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Bret Smelser, Board Member

ATTEST:

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Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary

BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION  
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

UPON THE APPLICATION OF CARDINAL  
OIL LLC TO CREATE A TEMPORARY  
SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTIONS 14  
AND 23, T30N-R57E, ROOSEVELT COUNTY, MONTANA,  
TO DRILL A HORIZONTAL BAKKEN FORMATION  
WELL ANYWHERE WITHIN SAID TEMPORARY  
SPACING UNIT BUT NOT CLOSER THAN 660 FEET TO  
THE BOUNDARIES THEREOF, AS AN EXCEPTION TO  
A.R.M. 36.22.703(4). APPLICANT WILL FILE AN  
APPLICATION FOR PERMANENT SPACING WITHIN  
90 DAYS OF THE SUCCESSFUL COMPLETION OF  
THE PROPOSED HORIZONTAL WELL.

ORDER 314-2010

Docket No. 247-2010 & 3-2011 FED

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 2nd day of December, 2010 at the Board's hearing room at its office at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. Member Jack King recused himself and took no further part in the proceedings on this matter. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity present evidence, oral and documentary.
2. Oasis Petroleum (Oasis), represented by attorney John Lee, was present to protest this application and Docket 246-2010 also submitted by Cardinal Oil LLC (Cardinal). Oasis testified it has 100 percent of working ownership in said Section 24 of the temporary spacing unit requested in Docket 246-2010 and wants to operate the well drilled in that section. Oasis testified it does not concur with stand-up 1280's. Mr. Keith Beers of Oasis testified they have tried to work this out with Cardinal but have been unable to, and have been told they will be trespassing if they come onto the acreage.
3. Attorney Loren J. O' Toole, Jr. testified that his client (Cardinal) believes the evidence will show that stand-ups are typical in the region and that his client wants to operate the well that will be drilled under this application and the well that will be drilled in Docket 246-2010. Mr. O'Toole stated his client wanted the Board to make a determination today.
4. Tom Richmond, administrator of the Board, said the Board does not have a policy about who the operator should be in a spacing unit and he would prefer that the parties get together and work it out instead of the Board making that decision.
5. Attorney O'Toole said if the two stand up spacing units requested by Cardinal Oil LLC are approved, Cardinal would agree to operating the one requested in this docket and Oasis operating the one requested in this Docket 246-2010. He also agreed that the parties could work with each other regarding the no trespass issue when the wells are drilled.

BOARD ORDER NO. 314-2010

6. The evidence indicates that granting the application in the manner hereinafter set forth will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Order

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that all of Sections 14 and 23, T30N-R57E, Roosevelt County, Montana is designated a temporary spacing unit for purposes of drilling a horizontal Bakken Formation well anywhere within said temporary spacing unit but not closer than 660 feet to the boundaries thereof as an exception to A.R.M. 36.22.703 (4).

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that an application for permanent spacing must be filed with the Board within 90 days of successful completion of the proposed horizontal well.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a federal communitization agreement for spacing units which contain both federal and non-federal land shall be submitted to the authorized officer of the Bureau of Land Management prior to or upon completion of a producible well.

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 2nd day of December, 2010.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION  
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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Linda Nelson, Chairman

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Wayne Smith, Vice-Chairman

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Don Bradshaw, Board Member

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Ronald S. Efta, Board Member

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Jay Gunderson, Board Member

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Bret Smelser, Board Member

ATTEST:

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Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary

BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION  
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

UPON THE APPLICATION OF ZENERGY  
OPERATING COMPANY, LLC TO CREATE A  
TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL OF  
SECTIONS 5 AND 8, T27N-R59E, ROOSEVELT COUNTY,  
MONTANA, TO DRILL A HORIZONTAL BAKKEN  
FORMATION ANYWHERE WITHIN SAID TEMPORARY  
SPACING UNIT BUT NOT CLOSER THAN 660 FEET TO  
THE BOUNDARIES THEREOF. APPLICANT WILL FILE  
AN APPLICATION FOR PERMANENT SPACING WITH  
THE BOARD WITHIN 90 DAYS OF SUCCESSFUL  
COMPLETION OF THE PROPOSED HORIZONTAL  
OPERATION.

ORDER 315-2010

Docket No. 274-2010

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 2nd day of December, 2010 at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity present evidence, oral and documentary.
2. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that the application of Zenergy Operating Company, LLC is hereby granted as applied for.

BOARD ORDER NO. 315-2010

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 2nd day of December, 2010.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION  
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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Linda Nelson, Chairman

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Wayne Smith, Vice-Chairman

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Don Bradshaw, Board Member

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Ronald S. Efta, Board Member

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Jay Gunderson, Board Member

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Jack King, Board Member

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Bret Smelser, Board Member

ATTEST:

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Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary

BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION  
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

UPON THE APPLICATION OF XTO ENERGY, INC.  
TO POOL ALL INTERESTS IN THE  
PERMANENT SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF  
ALL OF SECTIONS 15 AND 22, T22N-R59E,  
RICHLAND COUNTY, MONTANA, FOR  
PRODUCTION OF BAKKEN FORMATION OIL AND  
ASSOCIATED NATURAL GAS, AND TO  
AUTHORIZE RECOVERY OF NON-CONSENT  
PENALTIES IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION  
82-11-202(2), M.C.A., WITH RESPECT TO THE  
IONE #24X-22 WELL.

ORDER 316-2010

Docket No. 280-2010

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 2nd day of December, 2010 at the Board's hearing room at its office at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity present evidence, oral and documentary.
2. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that all of Sections 15 and 22, T22N-R59E, Richland County, Montana, are hereby pooled on the basis of surface acreage for production of Bakken Formation oil and associated natural gas.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that recovery of non-consent penalties in accordance with Section 82-11-202(2), M.C.A., with respect to the Ione #24X-22 well is hereby authorized.

BOARD ORDER NO. 316-2010

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 2nd day of December, 2010.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION  
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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Linda Nelson, Chairman

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Wayne Smith, Vice-Chairman

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Don Bradshaw, Board Member

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Ronald S. Efta, Board Member

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Jay Gunderson, Board Member

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Jack King, Board Member

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Bret Smelser, Board Member

ATTEST:

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Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary

BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION  
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

UPON THE BOARD'S OWN MOTION TO REQUIRE  
NORTH AMERICAN TECHNICAL TRADING COMPANY, INC.  
TO APPEAR AND SHOW CAUSE, IF ANY IT HAS, WHY  
ADDITIONAL PENALTIES SHOULD NOT BE IMPOSED FOR  
ITS FAILURE TO PAY THE ANNUAL INJECTION FEE AND  
LATE ASSESSMENT ON THE FISHER 1-24 AND THE  
FUGERE 3-30 WELLS IN DANIELS COUNTY, MONTANA,  
AND WHY IT SHOULD NOT BE ORDERED TO PLUG THE  
FOLLOWING FOUR WELLS IN CABARET COULEE FIELD  
IN DANIELS COUNTY, MONTANA, WHICH HAVE BEEN  
SHUT-IN FOR OVER ONE YEAR:  
THE FUGERE 4-19 WELL LOCATED IN THE SWSW OF  
SECTION 19, T34N-R48E;  
THE FUGERE 1 WELL LOCATED THE NWNW OF  
SECTION 30, T34N-R48E;  
THE GENDREAU 1-24 WELL LOCATED IN THE SWNE OF  
SECTION 24, T34N-R47E; AND  
THE SATURN STATE 1 WELL LOCATED IN THE NWNW OF  
SECTION 24, T34N-R47E.

ORDER 317-2010

Docket No. 172-2010

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on for hearing on the 2nd day of December, 2010 at the Board's hearing room at its office at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity present evidence, oral and documentary.
2. Attorney Loren J. O'Toole was present at the hearing representing North American Technical Trading Company, Inc. His client has been unable to evaluate the wells, but still wants the opportunity to do so.
3. Attorney Ron Youde was present at the hearing representing Fern and Hope Fugere. His clients still want the wells plugged.
4. Attorney Chris Mangan was present at the hearing representing Deanne M. Johnson and her family. He said they do not want the wells plugged and want North American Technical Trading Company, Inc. to have the ability to evaluate the wells.
5. The evidence indicates that taking the following action will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

BOARD ORDER NO. 317-2010

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that this matter is continued until the Board's June 16, 2011 public hearing in order to give North American Technical Trading Company, Inc. an opportunity to evaluate the wells.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that North American Technical Trading Company, Inc. shall provide a written report to the Board at the June 16, 2011 public hearing discussing its findings regarding the potential of the four captioned wells.

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 2nd day of December, 2010.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION  
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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Linda Nelson, Chairman

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Wayne Smith, Vice-Chairman

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Don Bradshaw, Board Member

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Ronald S. Efta, Board Member

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Jay Gunderson, Board Member

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Jack King, Board Member

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Bret Smelser, Board Member

ATTEST:

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Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary

BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION  
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

UPON THE BOARD'S OWN MOTION TO REQUIRE  
BENSUN ENERGY, LLC TO APPEAR AND SHOW CAUSE,  
IF ANY IT HAS, WHY THE BN 11-11 AND 12-11 WELLS  
LOCATED IN SECTION 11, T9N-R58E, FALLON COUNTY,  
MONTANA, SHOULD NOT BE IMMEDIATELY PLUGGED  
AND ABANDONED.

ORDER 318-2010

Docket No. 239-2010

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on for hearing on the 2nd day of December, 2010 at the Board's hearing room at its office at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity present evidence, oral and documentary.
2. Mr. Frank Baxter of Bensun Energy, LLC was present at the hearing.
3. The Board's Chief Field Inspector Steve Sasaki reported the BN 11-11 is not producing and has not been plugged, and that clean-up at the BN 12-11 has been attempted but not finished. He said the \$5000 fine assessed in Order 2-A-2010 if the plugging and clean-up were not completed by December 1, 2010, should be imposed.
4. The evidence indicates that taking the following action will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that the \$5000 fine imposed in Board Order 2-A-2010 is hereby ordered, but collection of said fine will be delayed until the Board's June 16, 2011 public hearing.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that if the above-mentioned wells are not returned to compliance by the Board's June 16, 2011 public hearing, a Show-Cause hearing for bond forfeiture will be scheduled for August 11, 2011.

BOARD ORDER NO. 318-2010

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 2nd day of December, 2010.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION  
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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Linda Nelson, Chairman

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Wayne Smith, Vice-Chairman

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Don Bradshaw, Board Member

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Ronald S. Efta, Board Member

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Jack King, Board Member

ATTEST:

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Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary

I dissent. The \$5000 fine should have been imposed and collected as ordered. Bensun Energy, LLC set the timetable for compliance.

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Jay Gunderson, Board Member

I dissent. The wells should be plugged now. Enough time has been given.

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Bret Smelser, Board Member

BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION  
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

UPON THE BOARD'S OWN MOTION TO REQUIRE  
MOUNTAIN PACIFIC GENERAL, INC. TO APPEAR AND  
SHOW CAUSE, IF ANY IT HAS, WHY ITS BOND SHOULD  
NOT BE FORFEITED FOR FAILURE TO PLUG THE  
FOSSUM #10-8 WELL LOCATED IN SECTION 8,  
T35N-R1E, TOOLE COUNTY, MONTANA.

ORDER 319-2010

Docket No. 240-2010

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 2nd day of December, 2010 at the Board's hearing room at its office at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity present evidence, oral and documentary.
2. No one from Mountain Pacific General, Inc. was present at the hearing. Joni Stewart, new manager of Mountain Pacific General, Inc., submitted a fax letter to Mr. Richmond stating the Fossum 10-8 well is scheduled to be plugged by Liquid Gold of Cut Bank, Montana, in January 2011.
3. The evidence indicates that taking the following action will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that this matter be continued until the Board's April 28, 2011 public hearing. .

BOARD ORDER NO. 319-2010

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 2nd day of December, 2010.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION  
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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Linda Nelson, Chairman

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Wayne Smith, Vice-Chairman

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Don Bradshaw, Board Member

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Ronald S. Efta, Board Member

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Jay Gunderson, Board Member

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Jack King, Board Member

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Bret Smelser, Board Member

ATTEST:

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Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary

BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION  
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

UPON THE BOARD'S OWN MOTION TO REQUIRE  
K2 AMERICA CORPORATION TO APPEAR AND  
SHOW CAUSE, IF ANY IT HAS, WHY ITS BOND  
SHOULD NOT BE FORFEITED OR OTHER  
PENALTIES APPLIED FOR ITS FAILURE TO PLUG  
THE FOLLOWING WELLS BY SEPTEMBER 1, 2010:

ORDER 320-2010

THE NORTH FORK #5, LOCATED  
IN SECTION 3, T36N-R12W,  
GLACIER COUNTY, MONTANA

THE BIG KNIFE #2, LOCATED IN  
SECTION 14, T31N-R6W,  
PONDERA COUNTY, MONTANA

THE NORTH FORK #3, LOCATED  
IN SECTION 21, T37N-R12W,  
GLACIER COUNTY, MONTANA

Docket No. 421-2010

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on for hearing on the 2nd day of December, 2010 at the Board's hearing room at its office at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity present evidence, oral and documentary.
2. The Board's Chief Field Inspector Steve Sasaki said he has received complete plug and abandon plans for the three captioned wells and recommended the matter be continued until the Board's June 16, 2011 public hearing.
3. The evidence indicates that taking the following action will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that this matter is continued until the June 16, 2011, Board of Oil and Gas public hearing.

BOARD ORDER NO. 320-2010

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 2nd day of December, 2010.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION  
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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Linda Nelson, Chairman

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Wayne Smith, Vice-Chairman

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Don Bradshaw, Board Member

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Ronald S. Efta, Board Member

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Jay Gunderson, Board Member

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Jack King, Board Member

ATTEST:

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Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary

I dissent. Enough time has been given already.

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Bret Smelser, Board Member

BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION  
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

UPON THE BOARD'S OWN MOTION TO REQUIRE  
NOBLE ENERGY, INC. TO APPEAR AND SHOW CAUSE,  
IF ANY IT HAS, WHY PENALTIES SHOULD NOT BE  
APPLIED FOR ITS FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH PIT  
REQUIREMENTS CONTAINED IN A.R.M. 36.22.1226  
AND 36.22.1227 FOR 81 PRIVATE AND STATE PIT  
PERMITS FOR BOWDOIN FIELD IN PHILLIPS AND  
VALLEY COUNTIES, MONTANA.

ORDER 321-2010

Docket No. 422-2010

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on for hearing on the 2nd day of December, 2010 at the Board's hearing room at its office at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity present evidence, oral and documentary.
2. The Board's Chief Field Inspector Steve Sasaki the majority of the problems have been corrected.
3. Ms. Denee Diluigi, in-house counsel for Noble Energy, Inc. (Noble) and Mr. Curtis Rueter, regulatory manager for Noble were present at the hearing and said the remaining issues will be resolved shortly. They apologized for the matter and said it will not happen again.
4. The evidence indicates that taking the following action will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that this matter is dismissed.

BOARD ORDER NO. 321-2010

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 2nd day of December, 2010.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION  
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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Linda Nelson, Chairman

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Wayne Smith, Vice-Chairman

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Don Bradshaw, Board Member

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Ronald S. Efta, Board Member

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Jay Gunderson, Board Member

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Jack King, Board Member

ATTEST:

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Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary

I dissent. Enough time has been given already.

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Bret Smelser, Board Member

BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION  
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

UPON THE BOARD'S OWN MOTION TO  
REQUIRE NATIVE AMERICAN ENERGY  
GROUP, INC. TO APPEAR AND SHOW CAUSE,  
IF ANY IT HAS, WHY IT'S PENDING CHANGE OF  
OPERATOR REQUEST SHOULD NOT BE APPROVED  
OR WHY OTHER PENALTIES SHOULD NOT BE ASSESSED  
FOR ITS FAILURE TO CLEAN UP WELL SITES AT THE  
FOLLOWING WELLS BEING REQUESTED FOR TAKEOVER:  
THE S. WRIGHT 5-35 WELL (API # 25-055-05204) IN PRAIRIE  
ELK FIELD IN MCCONE COUNTY AND THE  
SANDVICK 1-11 WELL (API # 25-105-21278) IN NORTH  
LUSTRE FIELD IN VALLEY COUNTY, MONTANA.

ORDER 3-A-2010

Docket No. 97-2009

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on for hearing on the 2<sup>nd</sup> day of December 2010 at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. The matter was discussed at the Board's business meeting on the 1<sup>st</sup> day of December 2010. On that date, at the business meeting, testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
2. No one from Native American Energy Group was present.
3. Chief Field Inspector Steve Sasaki reported that all clean-up had been completed at the S. Wright 5-35 well in Prairie Elk Field in McCone County, Montana. He recommended the show-cause be dismissed as both well sites have now been cleaned up.
4. The evidence indicates that taking the following action will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that staff is authorized to process the change of operator request transferring the S. Wright 5-35 well to Native American Energy Group.

BOARD ORDER NO. 3-A-2010

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 1<sup>st</sup> day of December 2010.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION  
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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Linda Nelson, Chairman

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Jack King, Board Member

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Bret Smelser, Board Member

ATTEST:

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Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary