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James Martin
Executive Director
Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment
4300 Cherry Creek Drive South
Denver, CO 80246

Re: Air Pollution Control Division Request for Fee Increase

Dear Director Martin,

One of Noble Energy, Inc. key objectives is to demonstrate leadership in environment, health, safety and compliance management. We are committed to working with regulatory agencies that govern our operations and as a company policy self report to such agencies. We view these agencies as stakeholders in our operations and are constantly looking for ways to improve that working relationship.

We commend the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment for contacting Noble Energy, Inc. about supporting a fee increase for stationary sources that allows the agency to ensure air quality standards are met. We appreciate your outreach and inclusion during this process.

Noble Energy, Inc. supports the proposed fee increase to ensure the solvency of the Air Pollution Control Division. APCD has many important initiatives as well as staffing needs that justify these fee increases, and we understand that there has not been a fee increase in six years. We are optimistic that such funding will aid the APCD in providing an efficient and effective program that protects air quality in our state.

We look forward to continuing our working relationship with you and your staff. Your leadership and inclusion during this process will benefit the State of Colorado. If you need any additional information about this issue please contact Curtis Rueter, Environmental and Regulatory Manager Northern Region at 303-228-4048.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Ted Brown', written over a white background.

Ted Brown
Vice President,
Northern Region

cc: Stephen Flaherty
Curtis Rueter