

Battlement Mesa Oil & Gas Committee

Meeting 8/12/2009

Present:

Committee Members – Bill Nelson (Chair), Don Mumma, Chuck Hall, Lynn Shore, Frances Rose
and “Mac” McCurdy.

Also Present: Susan Alvillar, Williams Production RMT Company and Steve Rippy, CMD

The purpose of this special meeting was to hear a report from Williams on their citation by Garfield County for non-compliance with the Special Use Permit required for oil and gas extraction from below the PUD. An expedited hearing before the Garfield Board of County Commissioners is scheduled for August 17, 2009 at 1:15 pm.

Williams has been operating under a Surface Use Agreement made in 1990 between BMP and Barrett Resources, acquired by Williams in 2001. Initial drilling operations had occurred in 1990, and a fully operational well drilled between December 1994 and December 1995. Additional drilling occurred in 1998. In order to protect their leases, further drilling of 16 wells is scheduled from September of 2009 until March of 2010.

Williams plans to direct all traffic via the Rulison road, perform the fracturing operation from a remote location and utilize odor mitigation at the drilling site.

After due consideration of all the facts, the Committee voted unanimously to write a letter to the Garfield Board of County Commissioners stating that in view of Williams’ long history of operating with virtually no impact on the community, no protest would be filed against Williams request for an expedited resolution to the situation.