MERRION

OIL & GAS

March 3, 1998

Mr. David Catanach, Director New Mexico Oil Conservation Division 2040 S. Pacheco Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505

Re: Application for Administrative Approval
Non-Standard Location
Nelson A-1
WAW Fruitland Sands - Pictured Cliffs Pool
F NW/4 Section 9, T26N, R12W
San Juan County, New Mexico

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Dear Mr. Catanach:

Merrion Oil & Gas Corporation recently submitted an application to recomplete the subject well from the Gallup Formation into the Fruitland Coal Formation (Order NSL-3925). After further review, we now plan instead to recomplete the well in the WAW Fruitland Sands-Pictured Cliffs Pool.

The well's location of 1980' FNL and 1978' FWL is at a non-standard setback from the spacing unit boundary. Therefore, Merrion requests your approval of a non-standard location.

The justification for the request is based on the ability to recomplete the existing well instead of drilling a new well. The well is uneconomic in the Gallup Formation and, unless recompleted, needs to be plugged out. The proposed recompletion would put the wellbore to beneficial use and save significant money over drilling a new well.

Attached in support of this application are the following:

1.) C-102 Plat

- 2.) Location plat showing offset operators.
- 3.) List of offset operators that received a certified copy of this application.

Please call me with any questions.

Sincerely,

George F. Sharpe

Manager - Oil & Gas Investments

xc: Frank Chavez - OCD, Aztec√

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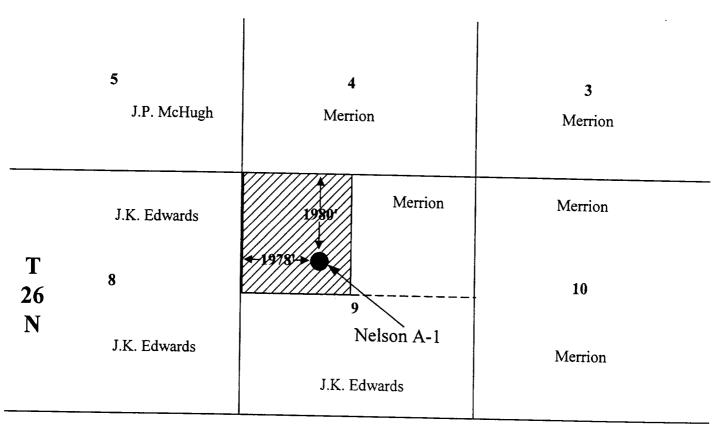
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EXHIBIT II NELSON A-1 WELL LOCATION PLAT OFFSET OPERATOR PLAT T26N, R12W, San Juan County, NM



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Exhibit III

Application of Merrion Oil & Gas Corp.

Non-standard WAW Fruitland Sands-Pictured Cliffs Location

Nelson A-1 Well

NW/4 Section 9, T26N, R12W

San Juan County, New Mexico

The following offset operators received certified copies of this letter.

To: Offset Operators

Any objections to this application need to be made in writing to the NMOCD within 20 days from receipt of notice.

J K Edwards Associates, Inc. 1401 17th Street, Suite 1400 Denver, CO 80202

J P McHugh 650 S. Cherry Street, Suite 1225 Denver, CO 80222

WAIVER

Company	hereby waives any objection to this application
Signature	Date
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Please return to:

George F. Sharpe Merrion Oil & Gas Corporation 610 Reilly Ave. Farmington, NM 87401