## STATE OF NEW MEXICO

## ENERGY, MINERALS and NATURAL RESOURCES DIVISION

## OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION AZTEC DISTRICT OFFICE

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April 12, 1993

Ms. Shannon McMorris Meridian Oil Inc. PO Box 4289 Farmington, NM 87499

RE:

Illegal Pits in Northwestern New Mexico

SRC, Cornell #5, G-01-29N-12W

Dear Ms. McMorris:

New Mexico Oil Conservation Order R-8952 (for the protection of migratory birds) became effective June 15, 1989 and states that <u>all pits</u> and open tanks more than 16' in diameter shall be screened, netted or covered.

On March 23, 1994 field inspections revealed that the Payne #2A Production/Dehydrator/Tank Drain combination pit contained approximately 30 bbl water with 2" skim oil and paraffin. In order for this pit to be in compliance, you are hereby directed to remove all fluid or properly net this pit by May 12, 1993.

If you have any questions please feel free to call this office.

Sincerely,

Diama K. Jauburst

Dianna K. Fairhurst

Deputy Oil & Gas Inspector

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Keith Fine - MOI

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