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State of New Mexico
Energy, Minerals & Natural Resources Department
Oil Conservation Division
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Re: Marathon Oil Company
Administrative Application for
Unorthodox Location
Eumont (Gas) Pool
Bertha Barber No. 4
1980' FSL and 1980' FWL
Section 5, T-20-S, R-37-E
Lea County, New Mexico

Gentlemen:

Reference is made to the attached Administrative Application from Marathon Oil Co., dated November 3, 1992 and received by Hartman November 5, 1992, requesting approval for an unorthodox location for the above-referenced well. The Bertha Barber No. 4 is to be recompleted to the Eumont (Gas) Pool and is located 1980' FSL and 1980' FWL, Section 5, T-20-S, R-37-E and is to be included in Marathon's existing 320-acre non-standard Eumont (Gas) proration unit consisting of the NW/4 and NW/2 SW/4 of Section 5, T-20-S, R-37-E and the S/2 SW/4 of Section 32, T-19-S, R-37-E, Lea County, New Mexico.

The location of the Bertha Barber No. 4 well (1980' FSL and 1980' FWL, Section 5) is 660' to the north and west of the unit boundary of Hartman's existing 280-acre non-standard Eumont (Gas) proration unit comprising the SE/4 and SE/4 SW/4 of Section 5 and the NE/4 NE/4 and the NE/4 NW/4 of Section 8, T-20-S, R-37-E, Lea County, New Mexico which has our Britt Laughlin Com Nos. 1, 4 and 6 wells simultaneously dedicated to it. Although Eumont (Gas) pool rules allow for a standard location of 660' and 990' from any unit boundary for a 320-acre proration unit, the non-standard location of the Bertha Barber No. 4 is not directly encroaching upon any of Hartman's existing wells. In light of this, we do not feel that it would be appropriate for us to object to Marathon's Application, provided that in the future, should we decide to further develop our Britt-Laughlin Com Lease, we will be afforded the same waiver to objection by Marathon.