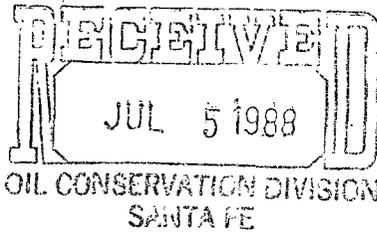


Release Date: July 25, 1988

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MERIDIAN OIL



July 1, 1988

Mr. William LeMay  
 New Mexico Oil Conservation Division  
 Post Office Box 2088  
 Santa Fe, New Mexico 87501

NSL- 2565  
 RULE-104 F(E)  
 Blanco Fruitland Pool  
 160 Acres dec  
 8/14 Sec 29

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(with n)

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Plats showing the proposed well location and the terrain in Section 29, along with an ownership plat, are attached.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Peggy Doak".

Peggy Doak

encl.

WAIVER

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By: \_\_\_\_\_

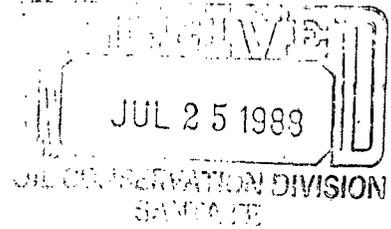
Date: \_\_\_\_\_

cc: Tenneco Oil  
 Texaco, Inc.

**Tenneco Oil**  
**Exploration and Production**  
A Tenneco Company

Western Rocky Mountain Division

6162 South Willow Drive  
P.O. Box 3249  
Englewood, Colorado 80155  
(303) 740-4800



July 8, 1988

New Mexico Oil Conservation Division  
P. O. Box 2088  
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87499-4289

Attention: William LeMay

Re: Unorthodox Locations  
Meridian Oil Inc., Operator  
Howell Well No. E 301  
Sec. 29, T30N, R8W  
Howell C Well No. 200  
Sec. 1, T30N, R8W  
Mansfield Com Well No. 250  
Sec. 19, T30N, R9W  
San Juan County, New Mexico

Gentlemen:

Attached are approved copies of Meridian Oil Inc. letters of July 1, 1988 which indicates Tenneco Oil Company has no objection to the proposed unorthodox locations for the captioned wells.

Yours very truly,

TENNECO OIL COMPANY

  
Carley Watkins  
Manager, Joint Interest

kc/1409Z  
Attachment

cc: L. Jones  
Meridian Oil Inc.  
Farmington

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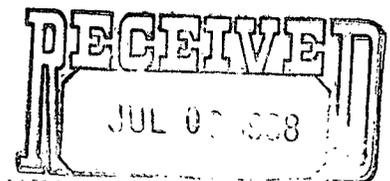
## WAIVER

Tenneco Oil hereby waives objection to Meridian Oil Inc.'s application for an unorthodox location for their Howell E #301 as proposed above.

By: AD Tom

Date: 7/13/88

cc: Tenneco Oil  
Texaco, Inc.



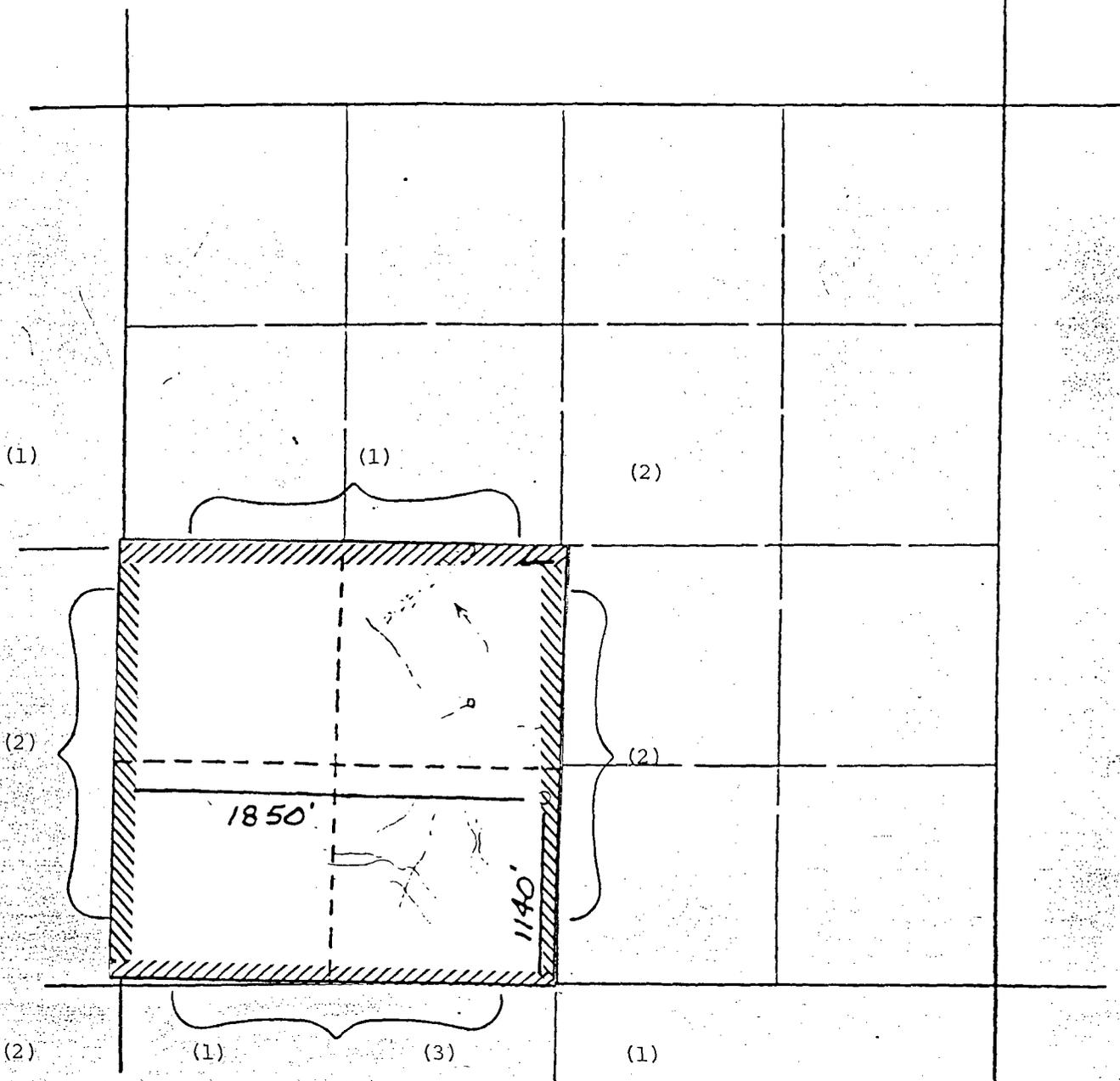
MERIDIAN OIL INC.

Well Name Howell E #301, Undesignated Fruitland

Footage----- 1140' FSL; 1850' FWL

APPLICATION FOR NON-STANDARD LOCATION

County San Juan State New Mexico Section 29 Township 30N Range 8W



REMARKS: OFFSET OPERATORS

- (1) Meridian Oil Inc.
- (2) Tenneco Oil Company
- (3) Texaco, Inc.

All distances must be from the outer boundaries of the Section.

Operator Meridian Oil Inc.		Lease Howell E (NM-012708)		Well No. 301
Unit Letter N	Section 29	Township 30 North	Range 8 West	County San Juan
Actual Footage Location of Well: 1140 feet from the South line and 1850 feet from the West line				
Ground Level Elev. 5930	Producing Formation Fruitland Coal	Pool Undesignated		Dedicated Acreage: Acres

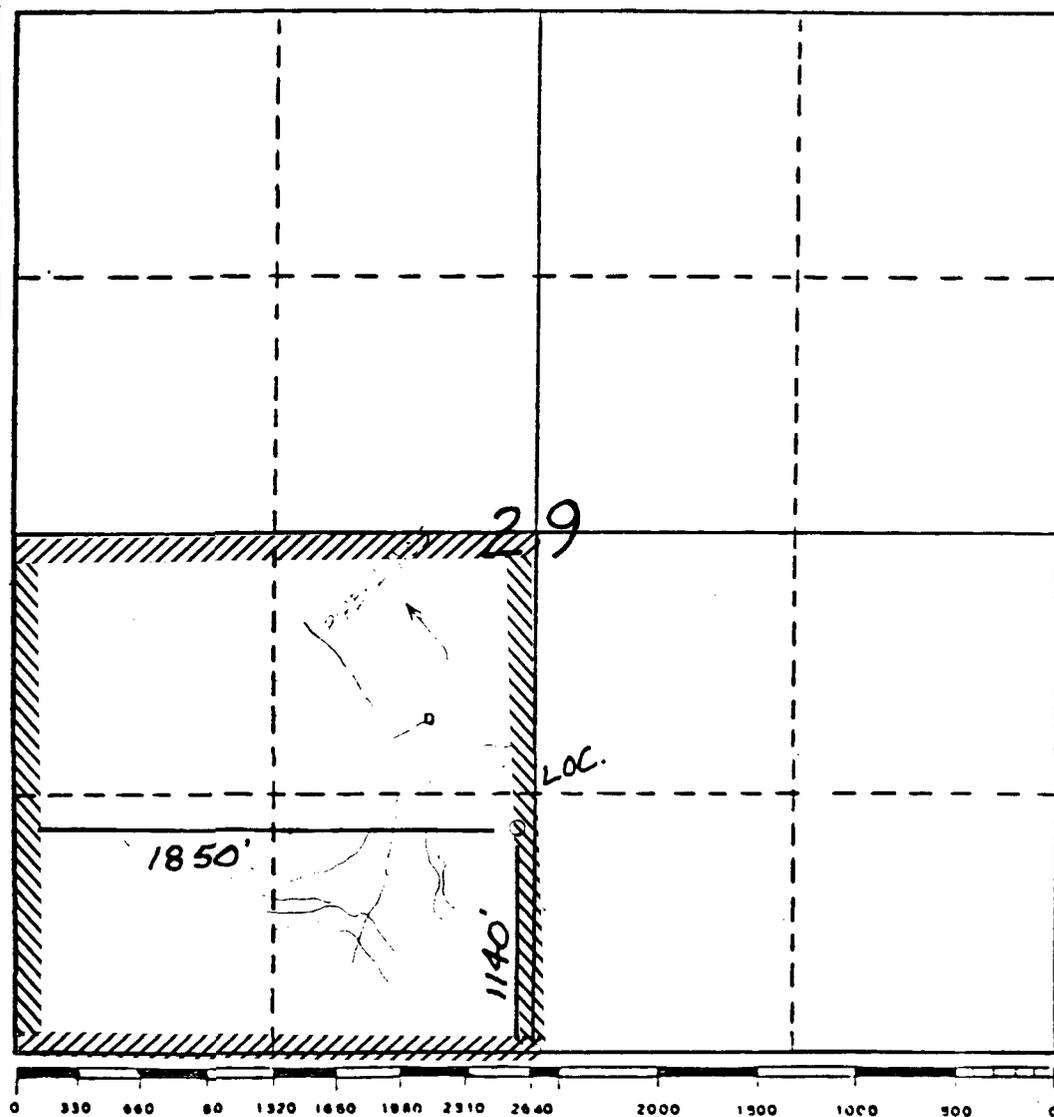
1. Outline the acreage dedicated to the subject well by colored pencil or hachure marks on the plat below.
2. If more than one lease is dedicated to the well, outline each and identify the ownership thereof (both as to working interest and royalty).
3. If more than one lease of different ownership is dedicated to the well, have the interests of all owners been consolidated by communitization, unitization, force-pooling, etc?

Yes  No If answer is "yes," type of consolidation \_\_\_\_\_

If answer is "no," list the owners and tract descriptions which have actually been consolidated. (Use reverse side of this form if necessary.) \_\_\_\_\_

No allowable will be assigned to the well until all interests have been consolidated (by communitization, unitization, forced-pooling, or otherwise) or until a non-standard unit, eliminating such interests, has been approved by the Division

\*Note: Non-standard location due to terrain, pipelines, and short section.



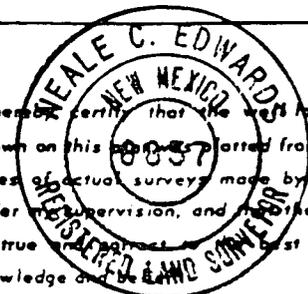
CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the information contained herein is true and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Name  
Drilling Clerk  
Position  
Meridian Oil Inc.  
Company

Date  
6-16-88

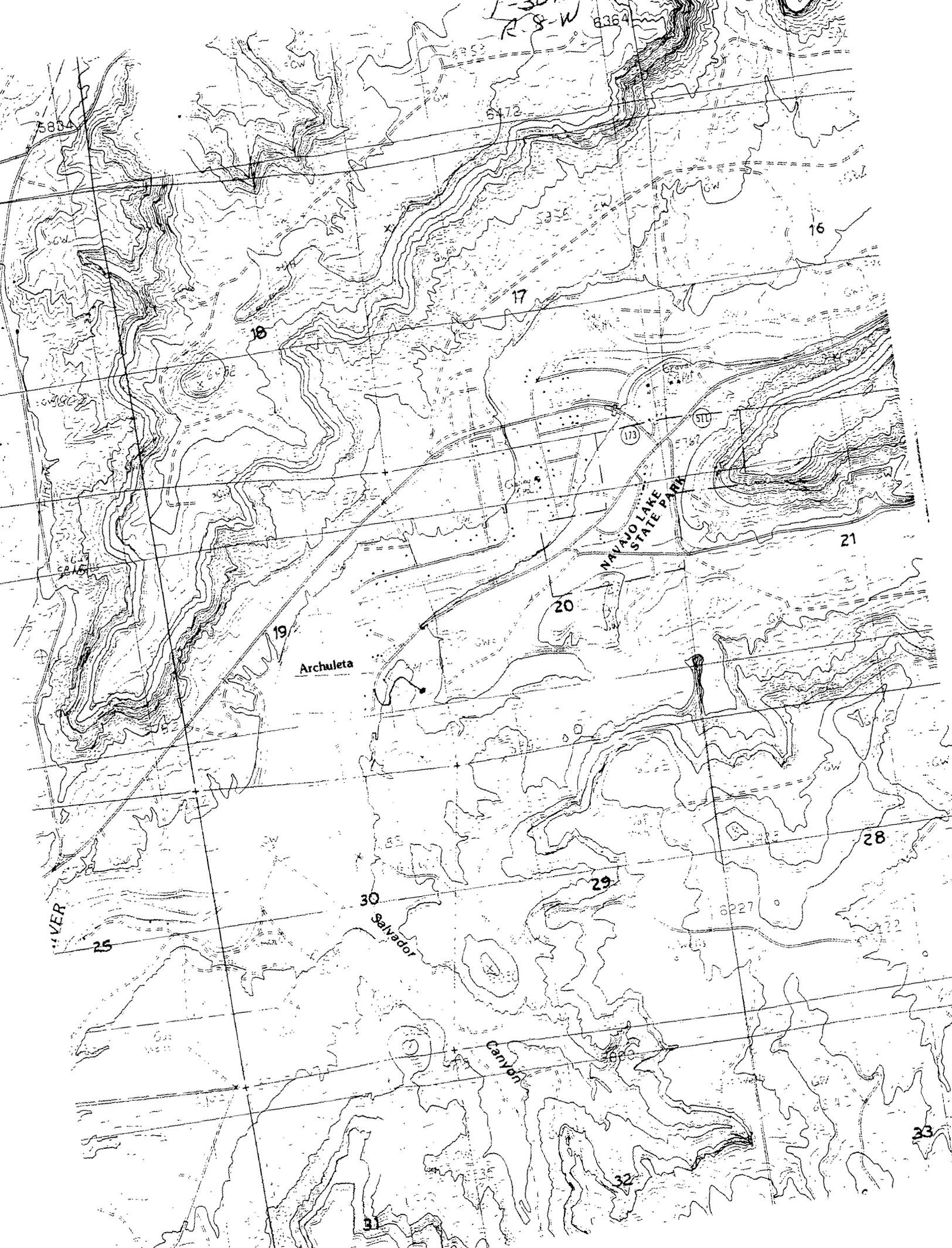
I hereby certify that the well location shown on this plat is plotted from field notes of actual surveys made by me or under my supervision, and that the same is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.



*Neale C. Edwards*

Date Surveyed  
6-16-88  
Registered Professional Engineer  
and/or Land Surveyor

Neale C. Edwards  
Certificate No.  
6857



R-S-W 6364

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STATE OF NEW MEXICO  
ENERGY AND MINERALS DEPARTMENT

OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

AZTEC DISTRICT OFFICE  
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SANTA FE

1000 RIO DIAZOS ROAD  
AZTEC, NEW MEXICO 87410  
(505) 334-6170

OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION  
BOX 2088  
SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO 87501

DATE 7-15-88

RE: Proposed MC \_\_\_\_\_  
Proposed DIIC \_\_\_\_\_  
Proposed NSL X \_\_\_\_\_  
Proposed SWD \_\_\_\_\_  
Proposed WFX \_\_\_\_\_  
Proposed PMX \_\_\_\_\_

Gentlemen:

I have examined the application dated 7-5-88

for the MERIDIAN OIL INC. HOWELL #301 N-29-30N-8W  
Operator Lease and Well No. Unit, S-T-R

and my recommendations are as follows:

APPROVE  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Yours truly,

[Signature]