OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION 2040 South Pacheco Street Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505 (505) 827-7131

April 9, 1998

Mallon Oil Company P. O. Box 3256 Carlsbad, New Mexico 88220 Attention: Terry Lindeman

Administrative Order NSL-3992

Dear Mr. Lindeman:

Reference is made to your application dated March 19, 1998 for a non-standard Pictured Cliffs gas well location for your proposed Jicarilla 459-17 Well No. 9 (API No. 30-039-25763) to be drilled 1850 feet from the North line and 2510 feet from the East line (Unit G) of Section 17, Township 30 North, Range 3 West, NMPM, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico. The NE/4 of said Section 17 is to be dedicated to said well in order to form a standard 160-acre gas spacing and proration unit for the East Blanco-Pictured Cliffs Pool. This is for pe only

The application has been duly filed under the provisions of Rule 104.F of the General Rules and Regulations of the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division ("Division").

By the authority granted me under the provisions of Division General Rule 104.F(2), the above-described unorthodox gas well location is hereby approved.

Sincerely,

ye Uniterior Lori Wrotenbery

Director

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New Mexico Oil Conservation Division - Aztec cc:

U. S. Bureau of Land Management - Farmington