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> Mr. William Lemay Director New Mexico Oil Conservation Division P O Box 2088 Santa Fe NM 87503

Re: Merrion Oil & Gas Corporation Application for Administrative Approval of Downhole Commingling Basin Fruitland Coal and Navajo City Pictured Cliffs Pools Lease E-178-8, Blueberry Buckle #1 Well Section 32, Township 30 North, Range 7 West Rio Arriba County, New Mexico

Dear Mr. Lemay:

Cinco General Partnership <u>supports</u> Merrion Oil & Gas Corporation's application for downhole commingling in the Blueberry Buckle #1 of the Basin Fruitland Coal and the Navajo City Pictured Cliffs Pools.

Cinco has determined that it would be uneconomic to drill a separate Pictured Cliffs well. Based on this economic evaluation, we have negotiated an agreement with Merrion to equalize ownership in the two formations on a 70% Merrion and 30% Cinco basis. This equalization will allow both parties to minimize costs and maximize reserves.

In summary, unless commingling is approved the Pictured Cliffs reserves in the NW/4 of Section 32 cannot be economically produced. We have reached an agreement with Merrion to prudently develop both the Fruitland Coal and Pictured Cliffs reserves subject to your prompt approval of the above referenced commingling application.

Very truly yours,

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