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# ADMINISTRATIVE APPLICATION CHECKLIST MAY 2 1 2003

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### [3] SUBMIT ACCURATE AND COMPLETE INFORMATION REQUIRED TO PROCESS THE TYPE OF APPLICATION INDICATED ABOVE.

[4] **CERTIFICATION:** I hereby certify that the information submitted with this application for administrative approval is **accurate** and **complete** to the best of my knowledge. I also understand that **no action** will be taken on this application until the required information and notifications are submitted to the Division.

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### REQUEST FOR ADMINISTRATIVE APPROVAL FOR NON-STANDARD LOCATION FOR RICHARDSON OPERATING COMPANY ROPCO 15 GW PC #2 476' FSL & 1800 FEL, SECTION 15, TOWNSHIP 29 NORTH, RANGE 13 WEST, NMPM, SAN JUAN COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

- The referenced well is located on fee surface and was completed March 6, 1997, in the Pictured Cliffs formation. The location was chosen due to proximity to occupied residential and commercial real estate within the city limits of Farmington, New Mexico. The location is approximately 184' too close to the south line of Section 15. Richardson proposes to use the existing wellbore and well pad to complete this well in the Fruitland Coal formation. Richardson controls the Fruitland Coal rights in the E/2 of Section 15.
- A C-102 and C-103 (Exhibit "A") is attached showing the well location and the proration unit for the proposed Fruitland Coal re-completion. Application for adding the Fruitland Coal pursuant to Order No. R-8768-C (71629) was submitted on December 17, 2002 and was approved by the Oil Conservation Division on December 17, 2002.
- 3) A map (Exhibit "B") is attached showing the adjoining spacing units and existing Fruitland Coal wells.
- 4) Certified letters have been sent to offsetting operators to notify them of our intentions. Copies of the letters are attached to this application.
- 5) Existing land use concerns and the fact that the existing location exists force a non-standard location exception for this action. It would not be feasible to build a separate legal location to drill a separate Fruitland Coal well.
- 6) Archaeology and topography are not issues with this well.
- 7) Directional drilling is not feasible for such a shallow completion.
- A non-standard location is requested because of surface conditions, i. e., existing occupied dwellings, apartment buildings, streets and commercial real estate in the City of Farmington, New Mexico.
- 9) I hereby certify that notice was sent to the following offset operators, leaseholders or Surface Owners which adjoin the applicant's spacing unit.

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Exhibit "A"

12. Describe proposed or completed operations. (Clearly state all pertinent details, and give pertinent dates, including estimated date of starting any proposed work). SEE RULE 1103. For Multiple Completions: Attach wellbore diagram of proposed completion or recompilation.

Richardson Operating Company proposes adding the Basin Fruitland Coal (71629) pursuant to Order No. R-8768-C.

Please find the attached plats for both the subject well (Ropco 15 #2) and the original Basin Fruitland Coal well in this spacing unit (Ropco 15 #1). The Basin Fruitland Coal allocation is defined by the dark outlined area on both plats.

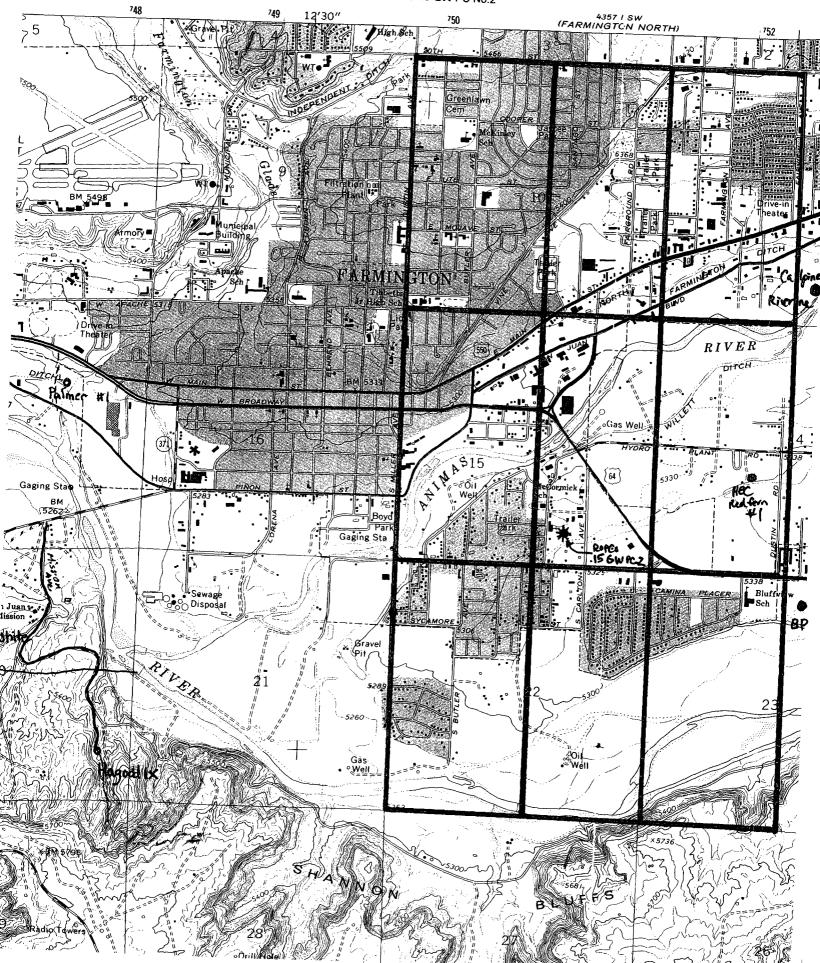
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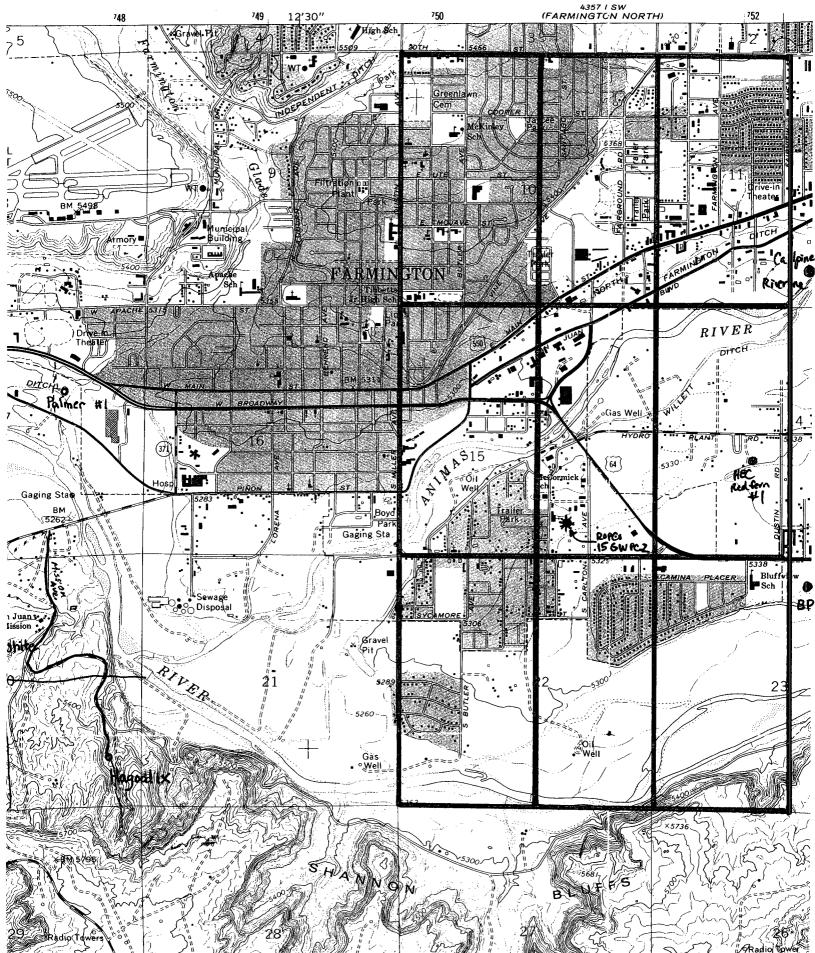
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FAX (505) 564-8334

May 19, 2003

Certified Mail Return Receipt Requested Article No. 7002 3150 0002 0906 7929

Merrion Oil and Gas Corp. 610 Reilly Ave. Farmington, New Mexico 87401

RE: Non-Standard Location Application Proposed Fruitland Re-Completion Richardson ROPCO 15 GW PC No. 2 <u>Township 29 North, Range 13 West, NMPM</u> 476' FSL & 1800 FEL Section 15: SE/4 San Juan County, New Mexico

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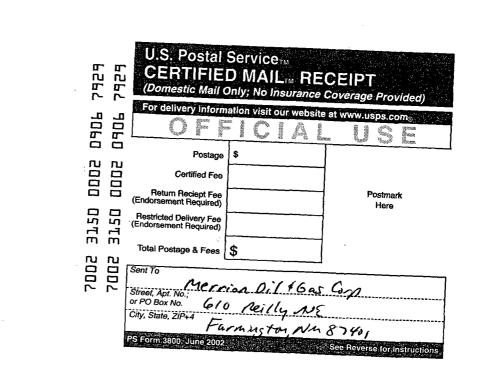
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Applicant's Name:	Richardson Operating Company
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Applicant's Phone No.	505/564-3100 (Contact Paul Lehrman)
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Thank you for your consideration in this matter.

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HEC Petroleum, Inc. 4610 S. Ulster St., Suite 200 Denver, CO 80237

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Thank you for your consideration in this matter.

Please call me at 505/564-8115 (Richardson's Land Office) if you have any questions.

Sincerely.

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Certified Mail Return Receipt Requested Article No. 7002 3150 0002 0906 7943

BP America Production Co. Attn: Brett Woody 501 Westlake Blvd., WL1 Room 19.104 Houston, TX 77079

RE: Non-Standard Location Application Proposed Fruitland Re-Completion Richardson ROPCO 15 GW PC No. 2 <u>Township 29 North, Range 13 West, NMPM</u> 476' FSL & 1800 FEL Section 15: SE/4 San Juan County, New Mexico

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Calpine Natural Gas Company LP Attn: Jerry Sullivan 1200 17<sup>th</sup> St., Suite 770 Denver, CO 80202

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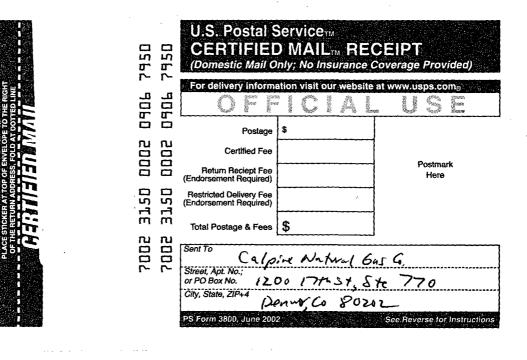
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Herd Partners Ltd. P.O. Box 130 Midland, TX 79702

RE: Non-Standard Location Application Proposed Fruitland Re-Completion Richardson ROPCO 15 GW PC No. 2 <u>Township 29 North, Range 13 West, NMPM</u> 476' FSL & 1800 FEL Section 15: SE/4 San Juan County, New Mexico

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Ms. Manon Markham McMullan 2200 Berkeley Wichita Falls, TX 76308

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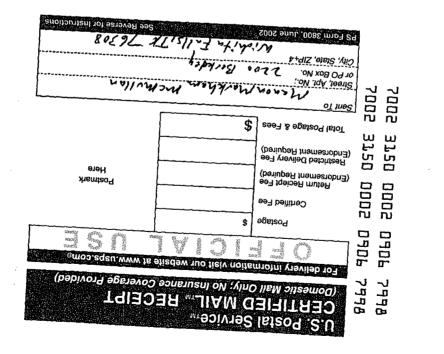
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Mr. Rod Markham 1500 Broadway, Suite 1212 Lubbock, TX 78401

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