RESERVE PIT CONSTRUCTION STANDARDS

The reserve pit will be constructed almost entirely in cut material and lined with 6 mill plastic.

The excavated material may be used for construction of the pad and access road as needed.

<u>Reclamation:</u> Reclamation of this type of deep pit will consist of pushing the pit walls into the pit when sufficiently dry to support track equipment. The pit liner is NOT TO BE RUPTURED to facilitate drying; a ten month period after completion of the well is allowed for drying of pit contents.

The pit area must be contoured to the natural terrain with all contaminated drilling mud buried with at least 3 feet of clean soil. The reclaimed area will then be seeded as specified by the BLM.

Optional Pit Construction Standards

The reserve pit may be constructed in predominantly fill material if:

- 1.) Lined as specified above and,
- 2.) A borrow/caliche/gravel pit for road and pad surfacing is constructed immediately adjacent to the reserve pit and it is capable of containing all reserve pit contents.

Reclamation of the reserve pit will consist of bulldozing all reserve pit contents and contaminants into the borrow pit and covering with a minimum of 3 feet of clean soil material. The entire area must be re-contoured, all trash removed.