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Marbob Energy Corporation
P. O. Box 227
Artesia, New Mexico 88211-0227

OIL CON. DIV.
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Attention: David Martin
Land Department

Re: Application for administrative approval to drill the Barnsdall Federal Well No. 3 at an unorthodox location 1090 feet from the North line and 1650 feet from the West line (Unit C) of Section 27, Township 17 South, Range 29 East, NMPM, Eddy County, New Mexico.

Dear Mr. Martin:

Per your application dated August 30, 1996, please identify the projected depth and target interval for this well, its proposed dedicated acreage, and state in more detail the reason(s) why the "only solution, outside of moving the high pressure water line" was to move south 100 feet - am I to assume all other possible locations within the 330/330 foot square within the Unit "C" was not acceptable for this location (assuming of course this well will be on 40-acre spacing).

Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

Sincerely,

Michael E. Stogner
Chief Hearing Officer/Engineer

cc: Oil Conservation Division - Artesia
U. S. Bureau of Land Management - Carlsbad
Raye Miller - Marbob Energy Corporation, Artesia