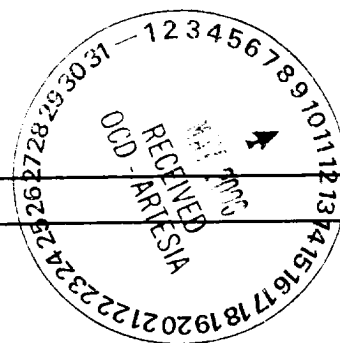


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May 9, 2000



New Mexico Oil Conservation Division
2040 South Pacheco
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505

RE: Application for Administrative Approval
To Drill at an Unorthodox Location

Gentlemen:

Pursuant to NMOCD Rule 104, Marbob Energy Corporation respectfully requests administrative approval to drill Marbob's LP State No. 2 at an unorthodox location of 2310 feet from the north line and 230 feet from the west line of Section 5 in Township 18 South, Range 28 East. This well will test the Yeso formation making it a 40 acre spacing unit. Unit E is being dedicated as the proration unit.

The LP State No. 2 was originally staked at an orthodox location of 2310 feet from the north line and 230 feet from the west line in Section 5. At the orthodox location, the center flag was ten feet off of Eddy County Road 206. The well pad would have encroached on the county road. By moving 100 feet unorthodox, Marbob feels they can safely drill and produce the LP State No. 2 without causing danger to our personnel or people on this heavily traveled county road. A move to the east would have remained orthodox, but