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## State of New Mexico Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources Department

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Form C-103 Revised 1-1-89

DISTRICT I P.O. Box 1980, Hobbs, NM 88240

DISTRICT II P.O. Drawer DD, Artesia, NM 88210

CONDITIONS OF AFFROVAL, IF ANY:

OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION P.O. Box 2088

Santa Fe, New Mexico 87504-2088

WELL API NO.

30-015- 20459

5. Indicate Type of Lease

STATE FEE X

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1000 Rio Brazos Rd., Aziec, NM 87410	6. State Oil & Gas Lease No.			
SUNDRY NOTICES AND REPORTS ON WELLS (DO NOT USE THIS FORM FOR PROPOSALS TO DRILL OR TO DEEPEN OR PLUG				
DIFFERENT RESERVOIR. USE "APPLICATION FOR PERMIT" (FORM C-101) FOR SUCH PROPOSALS.)	7. Lease Name or Unit Agreement Name			
1. Type of Well:	Merland A Com.			
	8628			
	8. Well No.			
7. Address of Operator P.O. Box 50250 Midland, TX 79710-02	9. Pool name or Wildcat Carlsbad Strawn, South			
Unit Letter :   Feet From The   Line    Section   9   Township 225   Range 2    10. Elevation (Snow whether DF, RKB, F	TE NMPM Edd County			
11. Check Appropriate Box to Indicate Nature of Notice, Report, or Other Data  NOTICE OF INTENTION TO: SUBSEQUENT REPORT OF:				
PERFORM REMEDIAL WORK PLUG AND ABANDON REMEDI	ALTERING CASING			
TEMPORARILY ABANDON CHANGE PLANS COMME	NCE DRILLING OPNS. PLUG AND ABANDONMENT			
PULL OR ALTER CASING CASING	TEST AND CEMENT JOB			
OTHER: GAS WELL SHUT-IN PRESSURE EXEMPTION XX OTHER:				
12. Describe Proposed or Completed Operations (Clearly state all pertinent details, and give pertinent) SEE RULE 1103.	ment dates, including estimated date of starting any proposed			

OXY USA INC. RESPECTFULLY REQUESTS AN EXEMPTION TO RULE 402 (A) FOR THE ANNUAL SHUT-IN PRESSURE TEST. THE NEED FOR THIS EXCEPTION IS TO AVOID POTENTIAL FORMATION DAMAGE IN THE FLUID SENSITIVE SANDS AND POSSIBLE PERMANENT LOSS OF PRODUCTIVITY. SHOULD THIS WELL BE SHUT-IN FOR ANY REASON, A SHUT-IN PRESSURE TEST WOULD BE CONDUCTED AT THE TIME.

SIGNATURE	David Stewart	Regulatory Analyst	DATE
(This space for State Use)	Sim W. Bum	District Supervisor	3-17-99