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August 23, 1993

Mr. Steve Dunn Merrion Oil & Gas Corporation PO Box 840 Farmington, NM 87499

RE:

Illegal Pits in Northwestern New Mexico

Salazar #3E, O-27-25N-06W (1 of 2 earthen pits off the Separator and Production Tank,

unnetted)

Dear Mr. Dunn:

New Mexico Oil Conservation Order R-8952 (for the protection of migratory birds) became effective June 15, 1989 and states that <u>all pits</u> and open tanks more than 16' in diameter shall be screened, netted or covered.

On July 29, 1993 field inspections conducted by Jackie Neckels from the BLM revealed that the above mentioned pit contained water and hydrocarbons. In order for this pit to be in compliance, you are hereby directed to remove all fluid or properly net this pit by September 23, 1993.

If you have any questions please feel free to call this office.

Sincerely,

Diama K. Janhund

Dianna K. Fairhurst Deputy Oil & Gas Inspector

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Jackie Neckels - BLM Farmington