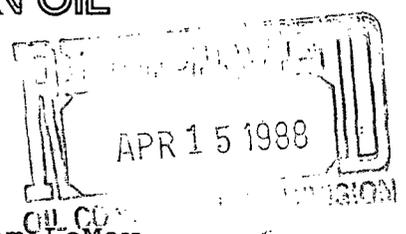


Release Date:
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MERIDIAN OIL



April 13, 1988

Mr. William LeMay
New Mexico Oil Conservation Division
Post Office Box 2088
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87501

NSL-252A
RULE-104 F(Z)
Ballard Pictured Cliffs
Pool
160 Acres deep
SE 1/4 Sec. 7

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Peggy Doak
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encl.

WAIVER

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By: _____

Date: _____

cc: Fina Oil & Chemical
J. P. McHugh
Hondo Oil & Gas Co

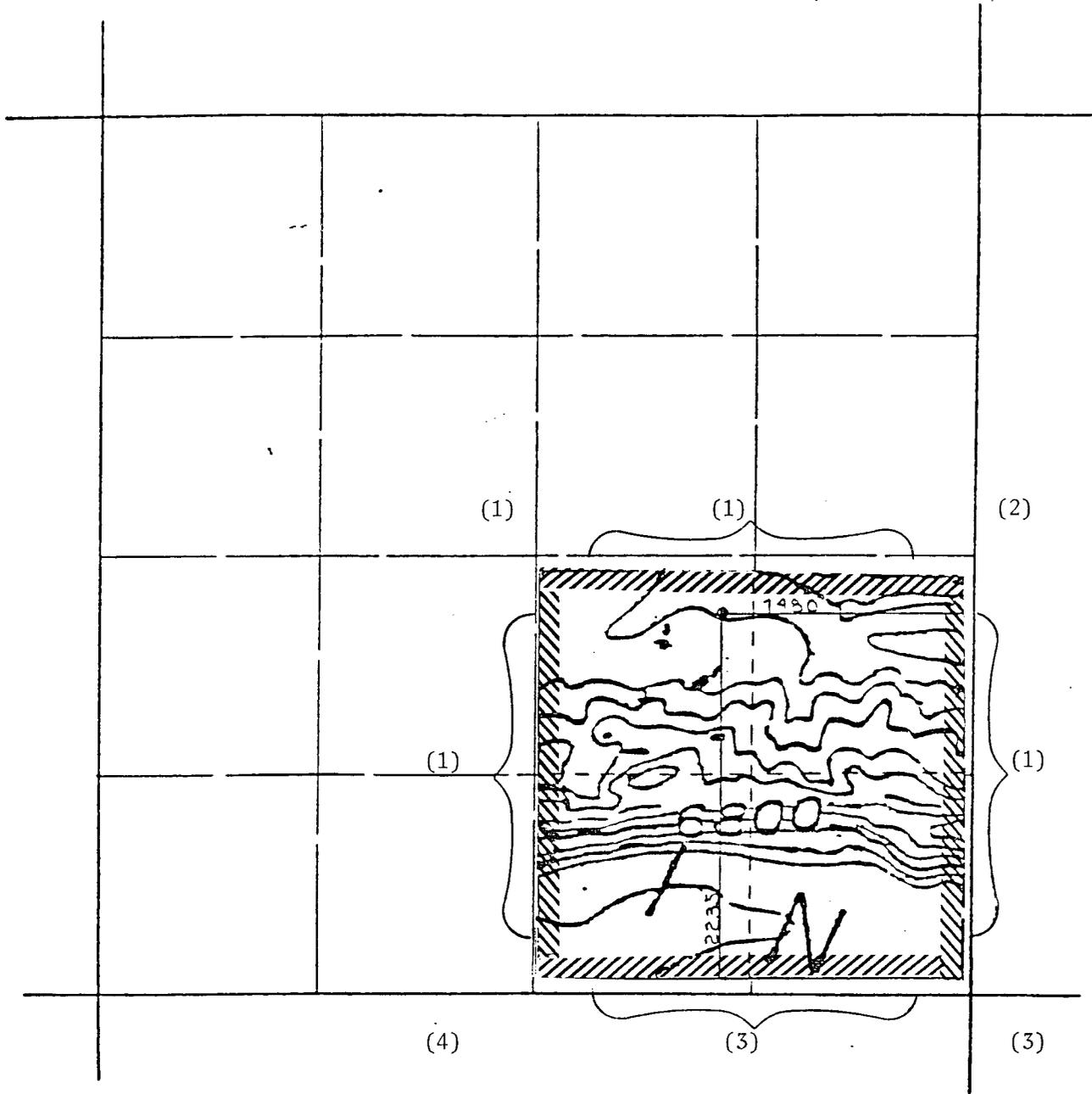
MERIDIAN OIL INC.

Well Name DONOHUE #3, Ballard Pictured Cliffs

Footage----- 2235' FSL, 1480' FEL

APPLICATION FOR NON-STANDARD LOCATION

County Rio Arriba State New Mexico Section 7 Township 25N Range 7W



REMARKS:

Offset Operators:

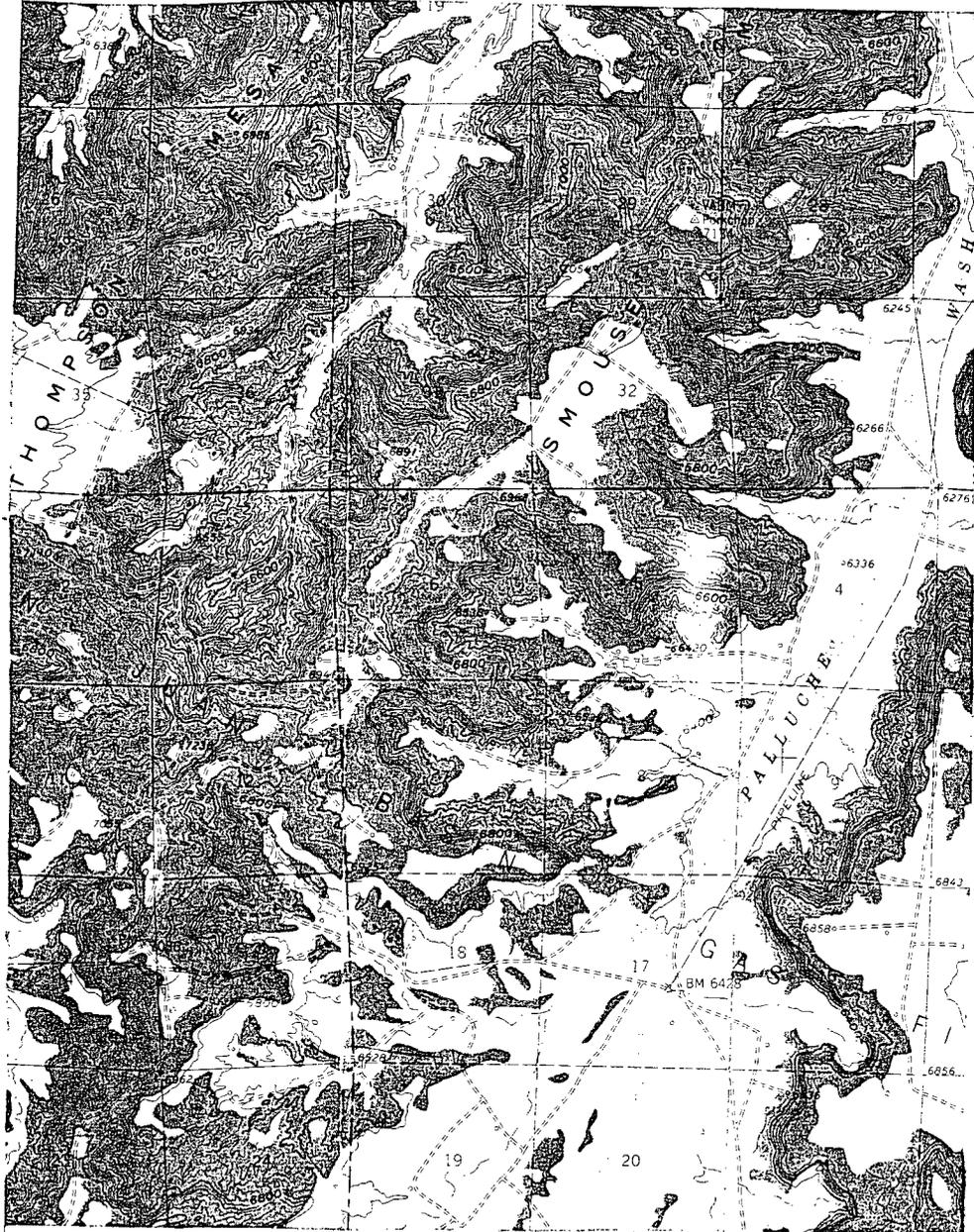
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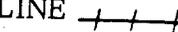
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Map #2

LEGEND OF RIGHT-OF-WAYS

- EXISTING ROADS 
- EXISTING PIPELINES 
- EXISTING ROAD & PIPELINE 
- PROPOSED ROADS 
- PROPOSED PIPELINES 
- PROPOSED ROAD & PIPELINE 

All distances must be from the outer boundaries of the Section.

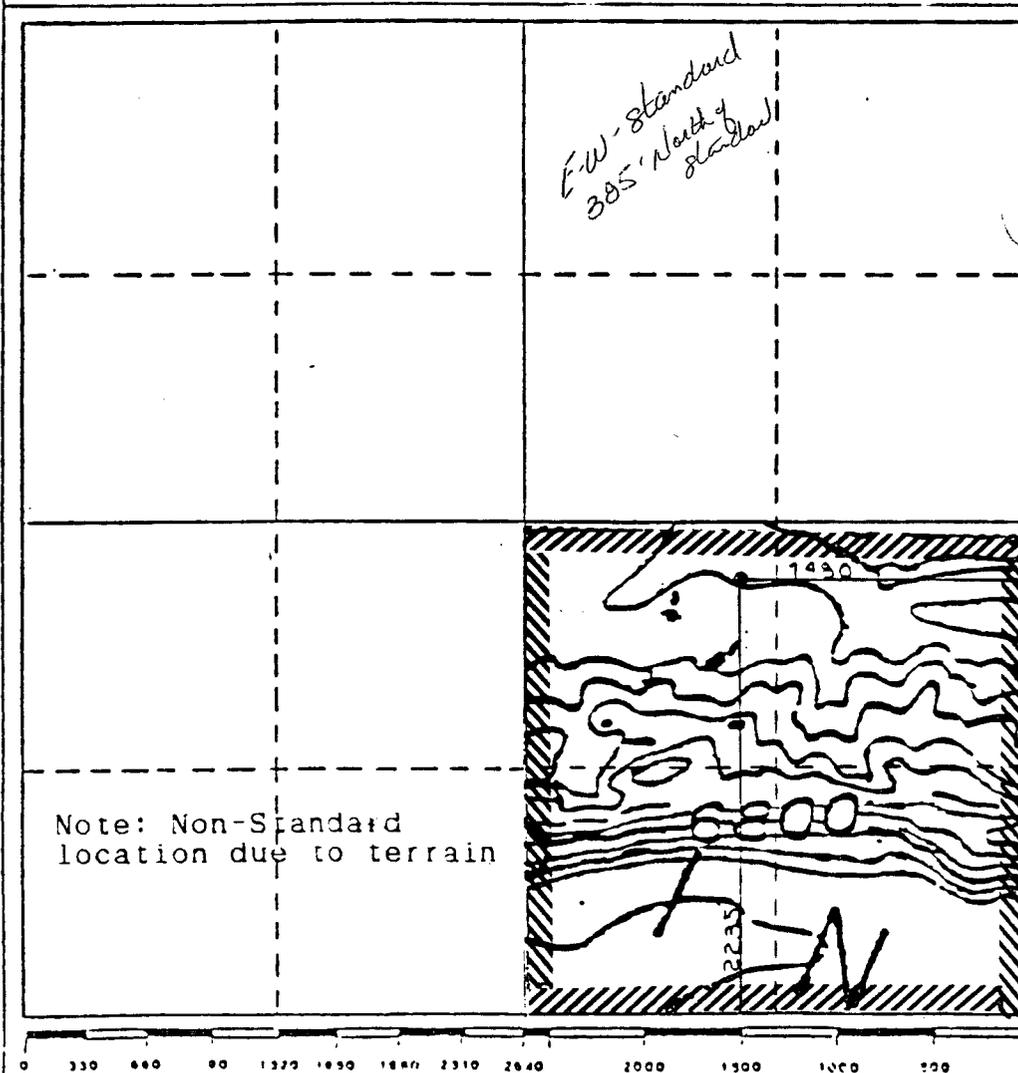
Operator Meridian Oil Co.		Lease Donohue #3 (SF--79973)			Well No. #3
Unit Letter J	Section 7	Township T25N	Range R7W	County Rio Arriba	
Actual Footage Location of Wells 2235 feet from the South line and 1480 feet from the East line					
Ground Level Elev. 6487	Producing Formation Pictured Cliffs		Pool Ballard		Dedicated Acreage 160

1. Outline the acreage dedicated to the subject well by colored pencil or hachure marks on the plat below.
2. If more than one lease is dedicated to the well, outline each and identify the ownership thereof (both as to working interest and royalty).
3. If more than one lease of different ownership is dedicated to the well, have the interests of all owners been consolidated by communitization, unitization, force-pooling, etc?

Yes No If answer is "yes," type of consolidation _____

If answer is "no," list the owners and tract descriptions which have actually been consolidated. (Use reverse side of this form if necessary.) _____

No allowable will be assigned to the well until all interests have been consolidated (by communitization, unitization, forced-pooling, or otherwise) or until a non-standard unit, eliminating such interests, has been approved by the Division



CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the information contained herein is true and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief.

[Signature]
Name

Drilling Clerk
Position

Meridian Oil Inc.
Company

4-6-88
Date

Date

I hereby certify that the well location shown on this plat was plotted from field notes of actual surveys made by me or under my supervision, and that the same is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Registered Professional
Land Surveyor

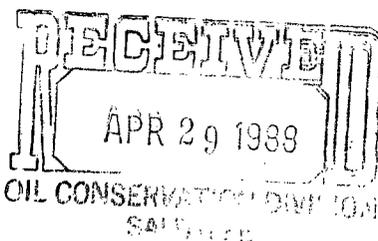
Date Surveyed
3-27-88

Registered Land Surveyor
R. Howard Daggett

[Signature]
Certificate No.

9679

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Peggy Doak

encl.

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Fina Oil and Chemical Company

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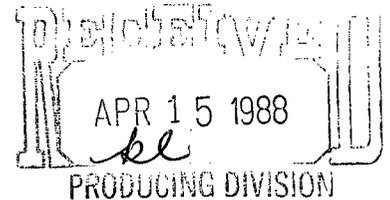
By: Ronald E. Smalley

Date: 4-27-88

cc: Fina Oil & Chemical
J. P. McHugh
Hondo Oil & Gas Co

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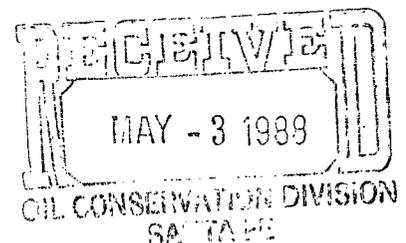
WAIVER

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By: [Signature]

Date: 5/2/88

cc: Fina Oil & Chemical
J. P. McHugh
Hondo Oil & Gas Co



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DATE 5-20-88

- RE: Proposed MC _____
- Proposed DHC _____
- Proposed NSL A _____
- Proposed SWD _____
- Proposed WFX _____
- Proposed PMX _____

Gentlemen:

I have examined the application dated 4-15-88
 for the Mention Oil, Inc. Donohue #3 J-7-25N-7W
 Operator Lease and Well No. Unit, S-T-R

and my recommendations are as follows:

[Signature]

Yours truly,

[Signature]
