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Merrion Oil & Gas Corporation
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Attention: George Sharpe

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Administrative Order NSL-4550

Dear Mr. Sharpe:

Reference is made to the following: (i) your application dated January 8, 2001; and (ii) the records of the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division ("Division") in Aztec and Santa Fe: all concerning Merrion Oil & Gas Corporation's ("Merrion") request to drill its proposed Blackshawl Com Well No. 1 (**API No. 30-045-30420**) at an unorthodox Pictured Cliffs gas well location 493 feet from the North line and 743 feet from the East line (Unit A) of Section 36, Township 30 North, Range 13 West, NMPM, San Juan County, New Mexico. The NE/4 of Section 36 is to be dedicated to the well in order to form a standard 160-acre gas spacing and proration unit for the Fulcher Kutz-Pictured Cliffs Pool.

This application has been duly filed under the provisions of Division Rule 104.F, revised by Division Order No. R-11231, issued by the New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission in Case No. 12119 on August 12, 1999.

By the authority granted me under the provisions of Division Rule 104.F (2), the above-described unorthodox Fulcher Kutz-Pictured Cliffs gas well location is hereby approved.

Sincerely,

Lori Wrotenbery
Director

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cc: New Mexico Oil Conservation Division - Aztec
New Mexico State Land Office - Santa Fe