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State of New Mexico Energy and Minerals Department New Mexico Oil Conservation Division P. O. Box 2088 Santa Fe, New Mexico 87501 Case 8989

Attn: R. L. Stamets, Division Directors

Re: Application for Permission for Directional Drilling and for Unorthodox Bottom Hole Well Location McKinley County, New Mexico Merrion Oil & Gas Corporation

Gentlemen:

Merrion Oil & Gas Corporation hereby applies for an Order of the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division permitting the plugging back, sidetracking and directional drilling of the Federal No. 21-1 Well to the Ojo Encino Entrada Oil Pool at a surface location which is 2,310 feet from the south line and 2,310 feet from the west line of Section 21, Township 20 North, Range 5 West, N.M.P.M., McKinley County, New Mexico, to a bottom hole location which is 2,310 feet from the south line and 2,610 feet from the west line of said Section 21. In addition, Merrion Oil & Gas Corporation hereby applies for an Order of the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division approving an unorthodox bottom hole oil well location for the Federal No. 21-1 Well at a bottom hole location which is 2,310 feet from the south line and 2,610 feet from the west line of Section 21, Township 20 North, Range 5 West, N.M.P.M., McKinley County, New Mexico, Ojo Encino Entrada Oil Pool, with allowance for a 100 foot variance to the targeted bottom hole location, the NE/4 of the SW/4 of said Section 21 to be dedicated to the well.

Merrion Oil & Gas Corporation hereby requests that this application be placed on the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division's September 17, 1986 Examiner Hearing Docket.

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Enclosed are two (2) additional copies of this letter application. Please advise should you require any additional information.

Sincerely,

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