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Attn: William J. Lemay, Director

Re: Application of Merrion Oil & Gas Corporation for

Approval of an Unorthodox Coal Gas Well Location

Gerber No. 2 Well

Rio Arriba County, New Mexico

## Gentlemen:

Merrion Oil & Gas Corporation proposes to drill its Gerber No. 2 Well at a location 790' from the North line and 790' from the West line of Section 32, Township 30 North, Range 7 West, N.M.P.M., Rio Arriba County, New Mexico.

Consequently, please consider this letter the formal application of Merrion Oil & Gas Corporation for an exception to the requirements of Rule (7) of the Special Rules and Regulations for the Basin-Fruitland Coal (Gas) Pool, as promulgated by Division Order No. R-8768, as amended, to permit the drilling of the well at an unorthodox coal gas well location.

In support of this application, Merrion Oil & Gas Corporation will, at the time of the hearing on the application, show that geological factors dictate the drilling of the well at an unorthodox coal gas well location.

All operators or owners of undrilled tracts offsetting the proposed location will be notified of this application by certified mail, and proof of such notice will be provided for the record at the time of the hearing.

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Please place this application on the May 12, 1994 Examiner Hearing Docket. Please advise should you require any additional information.

Sincerely,

**MERRION OIL & GAS CORPORATION** 

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