Permit 25975

District II 1301 W. Grand Ave., Artesia, NM 88210 Phone:(505) 748-1283 Fax:(505) 748-9720

### State of New Mexico Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources

## Oil Conservation Division 1220 S. St Francis Dr. Santa Fe, NM 87505

| APPL   | ICATIO                               | N FOR P                        | ERMIT 1                           | O DRILL,                              | RE-ENTE         | R, DEE  | PEN,                                     | PLUGBA        | CK, OR        | ADD A ZONE            |  |
|--|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------------------|---------------------------------------|-----------------|---|--|---------------|---------------|-----------------------|--|
|  |                                      | 1.                             | Operator Name                     | e and Address                         |                 |   |  |               | 2. OGRII      | O Number              |  |
|  |                                      |                                |                                   | TING COMPA                            |                 |   |  |               | 184           | 860                   |  |
|  |                                      |                                |                                   | DBLVD STE<br>FY , OK 7311             | o               | 184860  |  |               | 3. API Nı     | ımber                 |  |
|  |                                      | OIL.                           |                                   | , 0 ,                                 | " 18'           |   |  |               | 30-01:        | 5-35192               |  |
| 4.   | Property Cod                         | e                              |                                   |                                       | 5. Property Nan |   |  |               |               | 6. Well No.           |  |
| ļ  | 26081                                |                                |                                   | I                                     | ARTESIA UN      | ΙΤ  |  |               | 108           |                       |  |
|  |                                      |                                |                                   | 7. S                                  | urface Loc      | ation   |  |               |               |                       |  |
| UL - Lot   | Section                              |                                |                                   |                                       | Feet From       | From N/S Line Feet From                                 |  | E/W Line      | e County      |                       |  |
| D  | 2                                    | 18S                            | 28E                               | 4                                     | 965             | 965 N   |  | 339           |               | EDDY                  |  |
|  |                                      |                                |                                   | 8. P                                  | ool Inform      | ation   |  |               |               |                       |  |
| ARTESIA;   | QUEEN-GI                             | RAYBURG                        | G-SAN AND                         |                                       |                 |   |  |               |               | 3230                  |  |
|  |                                      |                                |                                   | Addition                              | nal Well Inf    | ormatic   | on                                       |               |               |                       |  |
| 9. Work  | Type                                 | 10. We                         | ll Type                           |                                       | able/Rotary     |   |  | Lease Type    | 13. G         | round Level Elevation |  |
| New W  | * -                                  | Ol                             |                                   |                                       | ·               |   |  | State         | 3655          |                       |  |
| 14. Mt   | ıltinle                              | 15 Propo                       | osed Depth                        | 16                                    | 5. Formation    | 17 Contractor   |  | 7. Contractor | 18. Spud Date |                       |  |
|  | N                                    |                                | 500                               | ndres Formatio                        |                 |   | ,, | 4/5/2006      |               |                       |  |
|  |                                      | _                              | 300                               |                                       |                 | rest fresh water well Distance to nearest surface water |  |               |               |                       |  |
| Deptr  | to Ground w<br>400                   | ater                           |                                   | Distance i                            | > 1000          |   |  |               |               |                       |  |
| Pit: Liner: S  | ynthetic 🔀                           | 12                             | mils thick                        | Clay Pit Vo                           | olume: 4000     | bbls Dr   | illing M                                 | ethod:        |               |                       |  |
| Closed   | Loop System                          |                                |                                   |                                       |                 | Fre   | sh Wat                                   | er 🗌 Brine 🔀  | Diesel/Oil-ba | ased Gas/Air G        |  |
|  |                                      |                                | <b>19.</b> ]                      | Proposed C                            | asing and (     | Cement  | Prog                                     | ram           |               |                       |  |
| Туре Н   | Iole Size                            | Casing                         | Туре                              | Casing Weigh                          | t/ft Set        | Setting Depth Sacks of C                                |  |               | Cement        | Estimated TOC         |  |
| Surf   | 12.25                                | 8.62                           |                                   | 24                                    |                 | 450   |  | 300           |               | 0                     |  |
| Prod   | 7.875                                | 5.5                            |                                   | 15.5                                  | 3500            |   |  | 600 0         |               | 0                     |  |
|  |                                      |                                | Casing                            | /Cement Pr                            | ogram: Ad       | ditiona   | l Con                                    | nments        |               |                       |  |
|  |                                      |                                |                                   |                                       |                 |   |  |               |               |                       |  |
| Sending BC   | P diagram,                           | H2S exce                       | ption reques                      | t, vicinity & lo                      | ocation verifif | ication m   | ap.                                      |               |               |                       |  |
|  |                                      |                                |                                   |                                       |                 |   |  |               |               |                       |  |
|  |                                      |                                |                                   | oposed Blo                            | wout Preve      |   |  |               |               |                       |  |
|  | Type Working Pressure                |                                |                                   |                                       | Test Pressure   |   | Manufacturer                             |               |               |                       |  |
| DoubleRam 3000   |                                      |                                |                                   |                                       |                 |   | 3000                                     | )             |               | Weatherford           |  |
| I hereby certif  | v that the info                      | ormation give                  | en above is true                  | and complete to                       | the             | OII   | CON                                      | JOEDVA        | TION F        | NIZICIONI             |  |
| I hereby certify that the information given above is true and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief.  I further certify that the drilling pit will be constructed according to |                                      |                                |                                   |                                       |                 | OIL   | COI                                      | NSEKVA        | TION L        | DIVISION              |  |
| NMOCD guid   | delines 🔀, a                         | irilling pit w<br>general peri | ill be construc<br>nit 🗀, or an ( | ited according to<br>attached) altern | o<br>ative      |   |  |               |               |                       |  |
| OCD-approved plan  |                                      |                                |                                   |                                       |                 | Approved By: Bryan Arrant                               |  |               |               |                       |  |
| Printed Name: Electronically filed by Michael Corjay   |                                      |                                |                                   |                                       |                 | Title: Geologist  |  |               |               |                       |  |
| Title: Manager   |                                      |                                |                                   |                                       |                 | Approved Date: 10/19/2006 Expiration Date: 10/19/2007   |  |               |               |                       |  |
| Email Address: Mjcokc@cs.com  Date: 10/17/2006 Phone: 405-848-4012   |                                      |                                |                                   |                                       |                 | lisia C   | Α  | al A#=-1      | .i            | <u> </u>              |  |
| Date: 10/1/  | Date: 10/17/2006 Phone: 405-848-4012 |                                |                                   |                                       |                 |   | Appro                                    | oval Attache  | u             |                       |  |

## **Permit Conditions of Approval**

Operator: MELROSE OPERATING COMPANY, 184860

Well: ARTESIA UNIT #108

API: 30-015-35192

| OCD<br>Reviewer | Condition   |
|-----------------|---|
| BArrant         | Pit construction and closure must satisfy all requirements of your approved plan, O.C.D. Rule 19.15.2.50, and the Pit and Below-Grade Tank Guidelines |
| BArrant         | As noted, operator to drill surface hole with 'fresh water' mud.  |
| BArrant         | Please notify OCD time of spud and time to witness the cementing to surface of all casing strings.  |

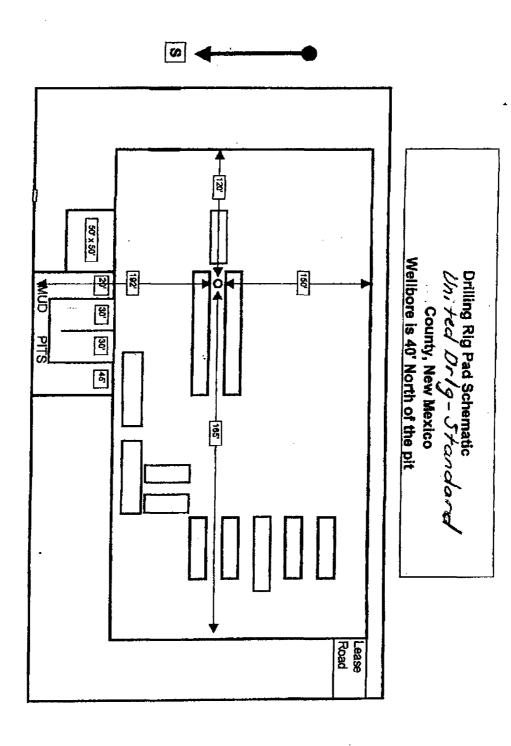
### **Permit Comments**

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**API:** 

There are no comments for this permit



#### State of New Mexico

DISTRICT I 1625 N. FRENCH DR., HOBBS, NM 86240

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Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources Department

DISTRICT II
1301 W. GRAND AVENUE, ARTESIA, NM 88210

OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION 1220 SOUTH ST. FRANCIS DR. Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505 Form C-102
Revised October 12, 2005
Submit to Appropriate District Office
State Lease - 4 Copies
Fee Lease - 3 Copies

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DISTRICT III 1000 Rio Brazos Rd., Aztec, NM 87410

DISTRICT IV WELL LOCATION AND ACREAGE DEDICATION PLAT ☐ AMENDED REPORT 1220 S. ST. FRANCIS DR., SANTA PE, NM 87505 API Number Pool Code Pool Name 30-015 Queen- Grayburg - SA 03230 Artesia Property Code Well Number Property Name 26081 ARTESIA UNIT 108 OGRID No. Operator Name Elevation

## MELROSE OPERATING COMPANY Surface Location

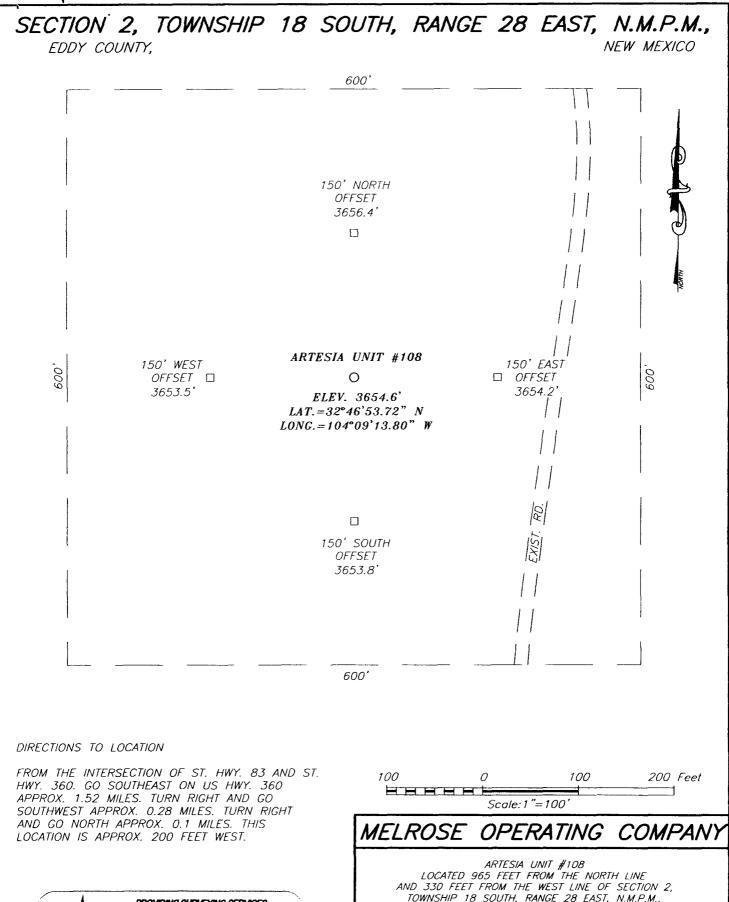
| UL or lot No. | Section | Township | Range | Lot Idn | Feet from the | North/South line | Feet from the | East/West line | County |
|---------------|---------|----------|-------|---------|---------------|------------------|---------------|----------------|--------|
| 4             | 2       | 18-S     | 28-E  |         | 965           | NORTH            | 330           | WEST           | EDDY   |

#### Bottom Hole Location If Different From Surface

| UL or lot No.   | Section 7 | Township   | Range        | Lot Idn | Feet from the         | North/South line | Feet from the | East/West line | County |
|-----------------|-----------|------------|--------------|---------|-----------------------|------------------|---------------|----------------|--------|
| Dedicated Acres | Joint or  | Infill Cor | solidation ( |         | der No.<br>Dater fluo | d Unit           |               |                |        |

NO ALLOWABLE WILL BE ASSIGNED TO THIS COMPLETION UNTIL ALL INTERESTS HAVE BEEN CONSOLIDATED OR A NON-STANDARD UNIT HAS BEEN APPROVED BY THE DIVISION

| LOT 4 |      | LOT 3                | LOT 2           | LOT 1        | OPERATOR CERTIFICATION   |
|-------|------|----------------------|-----------------|--------------|--|
| 330,  | 1    |                      |                 |              | I hereby certify that the information herein is true and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief, and that this organization either owns a working interest or unleased mineral interest in the land including the proposed bottom hole location or has a right to drill this well at this location pursuant to a contract with an owner of such mineral or working interest, or to a voluntary pooling agreement or a compulsory pooling order heretofore entered |
| 2     | 1    |                      | L               | UUU-MATTEDIA | compulsory pooling order heretofore entered by the divisions A   |
|       |      |                      |                 |              | Michigan 3-17-06 Signature Date Ann E.R. itchie, Agent Printed Name  |
| '     | l    |                      | 1               | ı            |  |
|       |      |                      | <del> </del>    |              | SURVEYOR CERTIFICATION   |
|       | <br> | GEODETIC CO<br>NAD 2 |                 |              | I hereby certify that the well location<br>shown on this plat was plotted from field<br>notes of actual surveys made by me or<br>under my supervision, and that the same is  |
|       |      | Y=6480<br>X=5551     |                 |              | true and correct to the best of my belief.   |
|       | 1    | LAT.=32*46           |                 | 1            | FEBRUARY 27, 2006  |
|       |      | LONG. = 104°C        | 09*13.80" W<br> |              | Date Surveyed MR  Signature & Scal of December 1997  Professional Surveyor   |
|       |      |                      |                 |              | Bary A & Rom 3/10/06   |
|       | 1    |                      |                 | 1            | 06.11.0391   |
|       |      |                      | 1               |              | Certificate No. GARY EIDSON 12641  |
|       |      |                      | <del></del>     |              | L  |



PROVIDING SURVEYING SERVICES SINCE 1946 JOHN WEST SURVEYING COMPANY 412 N. DAL PASO HOBBS, N.M. 88240 (505) 393-3117

TOWNSHIP 18 SOUTH, RANGE 28 EAST, N.M.P.M., EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO. Survey Date: 02/27/06 Sheet of Sheets W.O. Number: 06.11.0391 Dr By: M.R. Rev 1:N/A

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Scale: 1 "= 100

Date: 03/07/06 | Disk: CD#1

March 21, 2006

Oil Conservation Division 1301 Grand Ave. Artesia, NM 88210

RE: Melrose Operating Company, Artesia Unit, Wells #104, 105, 106, 107 & #108, Sections 2 & 3, T18S, R38E, Eddy County, NM

It is not anticipated that we will encounter any H2S during the drilling or completion of the above referenced wells. There are no dwelling in the area as per the Vicinity Maps submitted to OCD. Closest highway is Hwy 360. We are respectfully requesting an exemption from H2S requirements as per NMOCD Rule 118. The anticipated TVD is 3500' for these vertical wells. Drilling duration is approximately 5 days.

Thank you,

Ann E. Ritchie, Regulatory Agent **Melrose Operating Company** 

c/o P.O. Box 953 Midland, TX 79702

432 684-6381/682-1458-fax

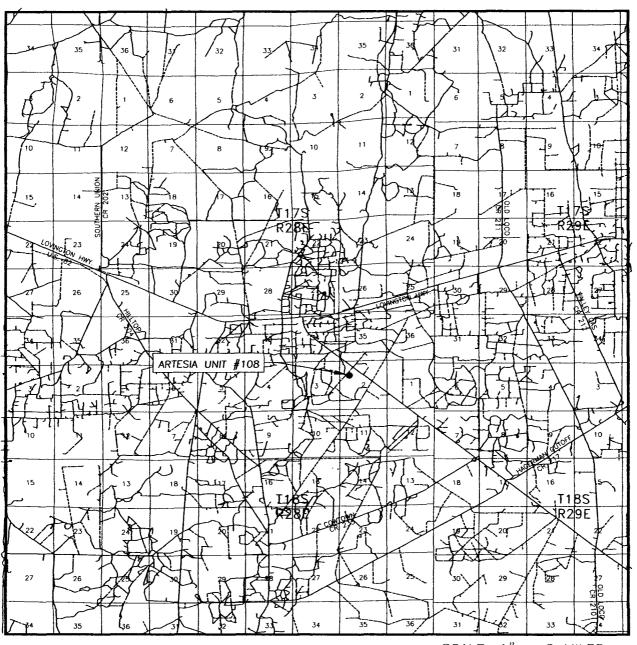
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## VICINITY MAP



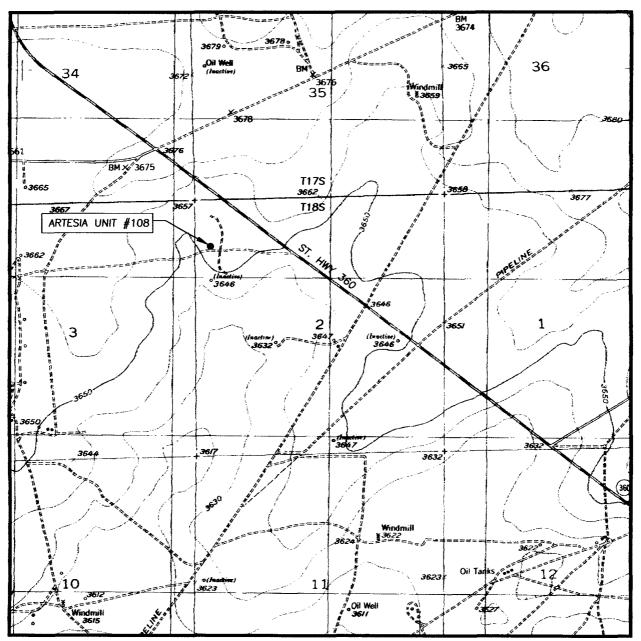
SCALE: 1" = 2 MILES

| SEC. <u>2</u> T | WP. <u>18-S</u> RGE. <u>28-E</u> |
|-----------------|----------------------------------|
| SURVEY          | N.M.P.M.                         |
| COUNTYEE        | DDY STATE NEW MEXICO             |
| DESCRIPTION     | 965' FNL & 330' FWL              |
| ELEVATION       | 3655'                            |
| OPERATOR        | MELROSE OPERATING<br>COMPANY     |
| LEASE           | ARTESIA UNIT                     |



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## LOCATION VERIFICATION MAP



SCALE: 1" = 2000'

CONTOUR INTERVAL: RED LAKE, N.M. - 10'

SEC. 2 TWP. 18-S RGE. 28-E

SURVEY N.M.P.M.

COUNTY EDDY STATE NEW MEXICO

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MELROSE OPERATING

OPERATOR COMPANY

LEASE ARTESIA UNIT

U.S.G.S. TOPOGRAPHIC MAP

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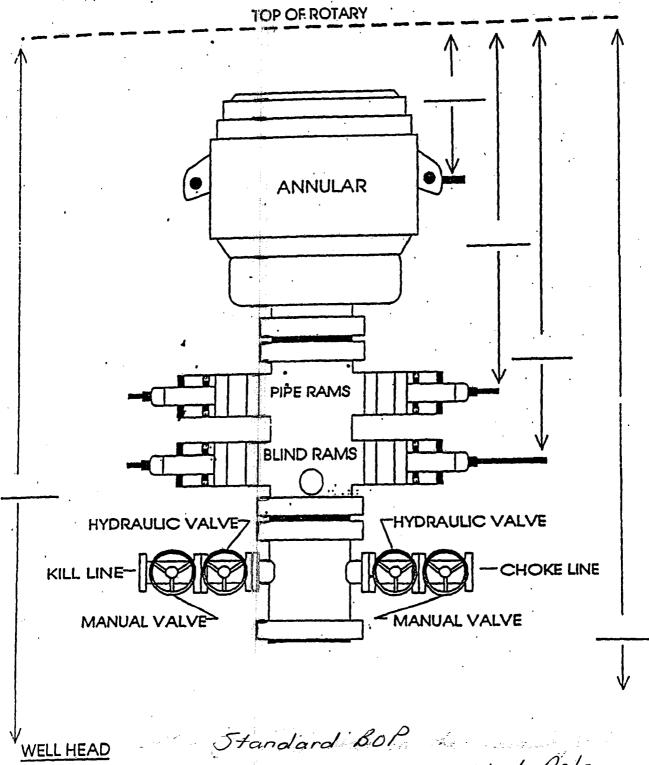


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## EXHIBIT A

B.O.P. STACK SPACING SIZE: 3000#

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# NEW MEXICO ENERGY, MINERALS and NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT

**BILL RICHARDSON** 

Governor

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Mark E. Fesmire, P.E.
Director
Oil Conservation Division

October 19, 2006

Melrose Operating Company 5813 NW Grand Blvd., Suite B Oklahoma City, OK 73118

RE:

Application for Permit to Drill, Deepen or Plug Back:

Artesia Unit #108 API # 30-015-35192

Dear Michael Corjay or To Whom It May Concern:

Rule 102.C [19.15.3.102.C NMAC] provides that the Director of the Oil Conservation Division or his designee may deny a permit to drill, deepen or plug back if the applicant is not in compliance with Rule 40.A [19.15.1.40.A NMAC]. An operator who operates from 100 to 500 wells is out of compliance with Rule 40.A(4) if it has more than 5 wells on the inactive well list kept pursuant to Rule 40.F [19.15.1.40.F NMAC]. In considering whether to deny the application, Rule 102.C requires the Director or his designee to consider the number of wells not in compliance, the length of time the wells have been out of compliance, and the operator's efforts to bring the wells into compliance.

Melrose Operating Company ("Melrose") operates 432 wells; 6 of those wells appear on the inactive well list. Melrose is out of compliance with Rule 40.A(4).

Daniel Sanchez, Enforcement and Compliance Manager and the Director's designee, has determined to grant Melrose's application.

Please note, however, that under Rule 1104 [19.15.13.1104 NMAC] the Oil Conservation ("OCD") cannot assign an allowable to a well or issue authorization to transport oil or natural gas from a well if the operator is out of compliance with Rule 40. If Melrose is not in compliance with Rule 40 at the time it requests an allowable and authorization to transport, its request shall be denied.

Melrose can return to compliance with Rule 40 by reducing the number of wells that appear on the Rule 40 inactive well list. A well will be removed from the inactive well list when the operator takes one of the following actions: 1) plugs the well bore and files an approved C-103 reporting the plugging; 2) places the well on approved temporary abandonment status; 3) returns the well to production or other beneficial use and files a C-115 reporting that production or use; or 4) enters into an Agreed Compliance Order with the OCD covering the well. An Agreed Compliance Order sets a schedule for returning the operator's inactive wells to compliance and imposes a penalty if the schedule is not met. If you would like to discuss entering into an Agreed Compliance Order for your non-compliant wells, please contact OCD attorney Gail MacQuesten at (505) 476-3451.

Yours truly,

OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

Bryan G. Arrant District II Geologist

CC: Well File

EC: OCD Santa Fe -- Gail MacQuesten, Assistant General Counsel

OCD Santa Fe – Daniel Sanchez, Enforcement and Compliance Manager OCD Artesia- Tim Gum, District II Supervisor