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NFO Permit No. \_\_\_\_\_  
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**APPLICATION FOR EXCEPTION TO NO-FLARE RULE 19.15.18.12**  
(See Rule 19.15.18.12 NMAC and Rule 19.15.7.37 NMAC)

A. Applicant McElvain Energy Inc.  
whose address is 1050 17<sup>th</sup> Street Ste 2500, Denver CO, 80265

hereby requests an exception to Rule 19.15.18.12 for 180/90 days or until

\_\_\_\_\_, Yr \_\_\_\_\_, for the following described tank battery (or LACT):

Name of Lease: McElvain #5 (025-29051) Name of Pool EK Bone Springs

Location of Battery: Unit Letter M Section 25 Township 18S Range 33E ✓

Number of wells producing into battery \_\_\_\_\_

B. Based upon oil production of 23 barrels per day, the estimated \* volume  
of gas to be flared is 46 MCF; Value \$127 per day.

C. Name and location of nearest gas gathering facility:

Frontier Field Services

D. Distance \_\_\_\_\_ Meter at site \_\_\_\_\_ Estimated cost of connection \_\_\_\_\_ Connected/Non-Marketable Gas

E. This exception is requested for the following reasons: Continued crude oil recovery

Frontier Field Services, has denied McElvain access to the pipeline on six wells (McElvain #2, #5, #6, #7, #8, & #9) due to high nitrogen levels (> 4%) present in the gas stream. Since that time, MEI has been working with Frontier on a solution to the high nitrogen issue so gas sales can be resumed. However, no workable solution has been identified at this time. Therefore, MEI is requesting permission to combust a volume of approximately 28 Mcfd until which time Frontier Field Services can resume transportation, or MEI can find an alternate transporter, whichever happens first.

**OPERATOR**

I hereby certify that the rules and regulations of the Oil Conservation Division have been complied with and that the information given above is true and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Signature Tony Cooper

Printed Name  
& Title TONY COOPER - SR EHS SPECIALIST

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**OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION**

Approved Until 12/18/2016

By Marys Brown

Title Dist. Supervisor

Date 9/19/2016