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ATTENTION: Mr. Joe D. Ramey, Secretary-Director

Re: A Nonstandard Location in an Existing Nonstandard Proration Unit
in the Tubb Gas Pool for Lou Worthan Well No. 16

Gentlemen:

This application is filed to correct well location in letter submitted May 19, 1977.

Marathon Oil Company respectfully requests administrative approval of a nonstandard location in an existing nonstandard proration unit in the Tubb Gas Pool for Lou Worthan Well No. 16, located 330' FNL & 1980' FEL in Section 11, Township 22-South, Range 37-East, Lea County, New Mexico.

At the present time Marathon has a 320-acre multiwell nonstandard Tubb gas proration unit consisting of the North Half of Section 11. Lou Worthan No. 9 was originally granted a 320-acre proration unit (Order No. R-545). Lou Worthan No. 11 was later added to the nonstandard proration unit (Order No. R-796). Marathon now seeks approval to add Lou Worthan No. 16 to this multiwell nonstandard proration unit.

Lou Worthan No. 16 was originally intended to be a Wantz Granite Wash-Wantz Abo dual oil well. Testing of these zones proved noncommercial. An attempt at a Tubb completion has not been made at this time.

The location being only 330' FNL classifies it as an unorthodox location but subject to exception as indicated in Order No. R-1670, Rule 3, Paragraph 1. The offset operators have been notified under the provision of Rule 3, Paragraph 2, Subparagraph (c).

Very truly yours,

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