

**STATEMENT ACCEPTING RESPONSIBILITY FOR OPERATIONS**

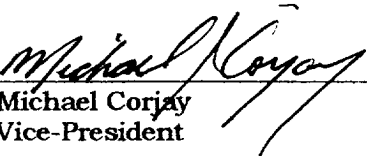
Melrose Operating Co.  
PO Box 5061  
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August 31, 2000

The undersigned accepts all applicable terms, conditions, stipulations and restrictions concerning operations conducted on the leased land or portion thereof, as described below:

Lease No.:	NMLC-030132B
Lease Name:	Closson B Federal #39
Legal Description of Land:	Unit G, 2310' FNL 2310' FEL Sec. 19, T22S, R36E Lea Co., NM
Formation (s):	Jalmat (TN-YT-7R)
Bond Coverage:	Statewide Bond - State of New Mexico
BLM Bond File No.:	NM2307

Authorized Signature:

  
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Michael Corjay  
Vice-President

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ABOVE DATE DOES NOT  
INDICATE WHEN  
CONFIDENTIAL LOGS  
WILL BE RELEASED

