

February 15, 1990

Meridian Oil Inc.
21 Desta Drive
Midland, TX 79705

Gentlemen:

Your Applications for Permit to Drill, Deepen, or Plug Back (APD) for the following wells:

30-025-30441 Shinnery "A" Federal No. 1, Lease No. NM-53239, Sec. 13-T18S-R32E

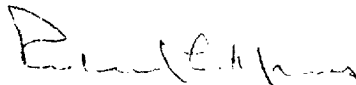
30-025-30442 Shinnery "A" Federal No. 2, Lease No. NM-53239, Sec. 13-T18S-R32E

30-025-30443 Shinnery "24" Federal No. 1, Lease No. NM-0392867, Sec. 24-T18S-R32E

have been cancelled.

The APD is considered expired if drilling activity has not commenced within one year after approval. Should you desire to drill this well at a later date, you will be required to re-submit the proper forms for approval.

Sincerely,



Richard L. Manus
Area Manager

cc: RDO
MNOCD (Artesia/Hobbs)