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September 17, 1990

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Mr. William J. LeMay Oil Conservation Division P.O. Box 2088 Santa Fe, New Mexico 87501 RECEIVED

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OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

Re: Meridian Oil, Inc.'s Application of for an Unorthodox Coal Gas Location, Basin Fruitland Coal Gas Pool, San Juan County, New Mexico

Dear Mr. LeMay:

On behalf of Meridian Oil, Inc., please set the enclosed application for hearing at the next available examiner's docket now set for October 17, 1990.

We suggest the following to be used for the advertisement for this case:

Application of Meridian Oil, Inc. for an unorthodox coal gas well location, San Juan County, New Mexico. Applicant in the above-styled cause seeks authority to drill its Frost Well No. 500 at an unorthodox coal gas well location 1040 feet FNL and 130 feet FEL of Section 26, T27N, R10W, N.M.P.M., San Juan County, New Mexico and to dedicate the E/2 to said well. Said location is approximately ____ miles from _____.

By copy of this letter and application sent certified mail, return-receipt requested, we are notifying each of the offsetting owners and/or operators of their right to appear at the hearing either in support of or in opposition to this application.

Mr. William J. LeMay September 17, 1990 Page 2

Should any party desire more information about this matter or about the procedures for hearing this application, they may call the Division or the undersigned.

W. Thomas Kellanin

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cc: Mr. Alan Alexander

Meridian Oil, Inc.

P.O. Box 4289

Farmington, New Mexico 87499-4289

"Certified-Return Receipt Requested"

All parties listed on Exhibit B.

STATE OF NEW MEXICO

ENERGY, MINERALS AND NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

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IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION
OF MERIDIAN OIL, INC. FOR AN
UNORTHODOX COAL GAS WELL LOCATION,
BASIN FRUITLAND COAL GAS POOL,
SAN JUAN COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

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OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

CASE NO.

APPLICATION

COMES NOW MERIDIAN OIL, INC., by and through its attorneys, KELLAHIN, KELLAHIN & AUBREY, and applies to the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division for approval to drill its Frost No. 500 well at an unorthodox coal gas well location 1040 feet FNL and 130 feet FEL of Section 26, T27N, R10W, N.M.P.M., San Juan County, New Mexico and to dedicate the E/2 of said Section 26 to the subject well and in support thereof states:

- 1. Applicant is a working interest owner and the operator of the E/2 of Section 26, T27N, R10W.
- 2. The applicant originally sought the approval of the Area Manager for the BLM for a standard well location in the NE/4 of said Section 26 and was denied that location.

- 3. As an alternative the BLM has approved the requested unorthodox location.
- 4. As a result of topographical restrictions and in order to obtain a drilling location for the NE/4 of said Section the applicant seeks the subject unorthodox well location.
- 5. Directional drilling of the subject well is not economically feasible.
- 6. Amoco, as the diagonally offsetting operator, has signed a written waiver of objection.
 - 7. Meridian is the only other offsetting operator.
- 8. No correlative rights will be impaired by approving this application.
- 9. Applicant proposes to dedicate the well to the E/2 of Section 26 as described on Exhibit "A".
- 10. Attached as Exhibit "A" is a plat showing all of the acreage dedicated to the subject well and the surrounding acreage.
- 11. Attached as Exhibit "B" is a list of all offsetting owners and/or operators who are required by Division rules to receive notification of this application.
- 12. Pursuant to Division rules, a copy of this application was mailed by certified mail, return-receipt requested, to all parties listed on Exhibit "B".

WHEREFORE, Applicant requests that after notice and hearing the application be granted.

Respectfully submitted:

KELLAHIN, KELLAHIN & AUBREY

By:

W. Thomas Kellahir Post Office Box 2265

Santa Fe, New Mexico 87504

(505) 982-4285

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P. Q. BOX 2058 SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO 87501

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