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August 12, 1992

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**CERTIFIED MAIL**  
**RETURN RECEIPT NO. P-670-683-660**

Mr. Loren W. Fothergill  
Senior Staff Engineer  
Meridian Oil Inc.  
3535 East 30th St.  
Farmington, New Mexico 87499

**Re: Hydrostatic Test Water Discharge  
16" Trunk MD Loop & 20" Trunk MD Pipelines**

Dear Mr. Fothergill:

The Oil Conservation Division (OCD) has received your request, dated July 10, 1992, for authorization to discharge approximately 21,440 gallons of waste water from the hydrostatic test of Meridian's new sixteen-inch Truck MD Loop and twenty-inch Truck MD-pipelines sixteen-inch gathering line. The new line will begin at the Ute Unicon Gathering System (Section 10, T-32-N, R-11-W, San Juan County, New Mexico) and will end at the Hart Canyon Compressor Station (Section 20, T-31-N, R-10-W, NMPM, San Juan County, New Mexico). The pipeline is new pipe and will not be washed prior to introduction of test water. The source of the test water will be from storage tanks at a salt water disposal well and the used test water will be returned to the salt water disposal well. The hydrostatic test will be conducted in two phases with all discharges being disposed of at the salt water disposal well.

Based on the information provided in your request, the hydrostatic test water discharge is hereby approved.

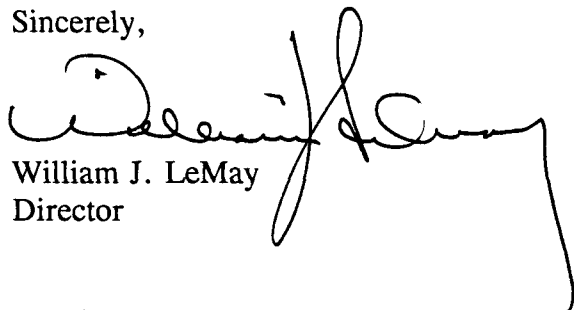
Pursuant to WQCC Regulation 3-106.B, this approval will allow you to discharge without an approved discharge plan for a period not to exceed 120 days. If the site is to be used for more than one test discharge, formal reapplication must be made. If the discharge exceeds 120 days, a formal discharge plan must be submitted for review.

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Please be advised that this approval does not relieve you of liability should your operation result in actual pollution of surface or ground waters or the environment actionable under other laws and/or regulations.

If there are any questions, please call Kathy Brown at (505) 827-5884.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "William J. LeMay". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "W" and a long, sweeping underline.

William J. LeMay  
Director

WJL/kmb

xc: Denny Foust, OCD Aztec District

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September 27, 1989

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CERTIFIED MAIL  
RETURN RECEIPT NO. P-106-675-122

Mr. Loren W. Fathergill  
MERIDIAN OIL, INC.  
P. O. Box 4289  
Farmington, New Mexico 87499-4289

Dear Mr. Fathergill:

The Oil Conservation Division (OCD) has evaluated your request, dated September 22, 1989 to hydrostatically test the MD Truck line located in San Juan County, New Mexico. The proposed test will utilize a closed loop system where produced water will be delivered into the system from wells connected to the pipeline and discharged to a disposal well connected to the system. No fluids will be discharged to the ground at the completion of the test.

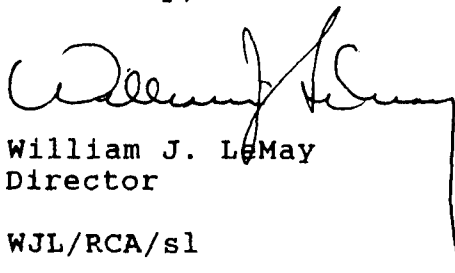
Based on the information provided in your request, the hydrostatic test is hereby approved.

Pursuant to WQCC Regulation 3-106.B, this approval will allow you to conduct these test without an approved discharge plan for a period not to exceed 120 days. If any test exceeds 120 days, a formal discharge plan must be submitted for review.

Please be advised that the approval of this plan does not relieve you of liability should your operation result in actual pollution of surface of ground waters which may be actionable under other laws and/or regulations.

If there are any questions, please call Roger Anderson at (505) 827-5884.

Sincerely,



William J. LeMay  
Director

WJL/RCA/sl

cc: OCD Aztec Office