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ENERGY, MINERALS AND NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT

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September 6, 1996

Burlington Resources/Meridian Oil, Inc.
c/o Kellahin and Kellahin
Attention: W. Thomas Kellahin
P.O. Box 2265
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87504-2265

Administrative Order NSL-3704

Dear Mr. Kellahin:

Reference is made to an application from Ms. Peggy Bradfield with Burlington Resources/Meridian Oil, Inc. of Farmington, New Mexico dated August 16, 1996 and to your letter dated September 3, 1996, for approval to drill the proposed Ute Well No. 22 (API No. 30-045-29395) at an unorthodox gas well location in order to test the Barker Dome-Desert Creek Pool 2000 feet from the North line and 1925 feet from the East line (Unit G) of Section 17, Township 32 North, Range 14 West, NMPM, as projected into the unsurveyed Ute Mountain Indian Reservation, San Juan County, New Mexico. At this time the N/2 of said Section 17 shall be dedicated to said well to form a standard 320-acre gas spacing and proration unit for said pool pursuant to **Rule 2** of the "*Special Rules and Regulations for the Barker Dome-Desert Creek Pool*", as promulgated by Division Order No. R-46-A, dated February 13, 1995.

By authority granted me under the provisions of **Rule 5** of said special pool rules, the location of said Ute Com Well No. 22 is hereby approved.

Sincerely,

by William J. LeMay Deputy Director

William J. LeMay
Director

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cc: Oil Conservation Division - Aztec
U. S. Bureau of Land Management - Durango, Colorado