STATE OF NEW MEXICO ENERGY, MINERALS AND NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

IN THE MATTER OF THE HEARING CALLED BY THE OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONSIDERING:

CASE NO. 9703 ORDER NO. R-9119

APPLICATION OF MERIDIAN OIL, INC. FOR EXEMPTION FROM THE NEW MEXICO NATURAL GAS PRICING ACT, SAN JUAN COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

ORDER OF THE DIVISION

BY THE DIVISION:

This cause came on for hearing at 8:15 a.m. on September 6, 1989, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner Michael E. Stogner.

NOW, on this <u>21st</u> day of February, 1990, the Division Director, having considered the testimony, the record and the recommendations of the Examiner, and being fully advised in the premises,

FINDS THAT:

(1) Due public notice having been given as required by law, the Division has jurisdiction of this cause and the subject matter thereof.

(2) Meridian Oil, Inc. seeks an order exempting certain Basin-Dakota and Blanco-Mesaverde producing wells all located in San Juan County, New Mexico, from the New Mexico Natural Gas Pricing Act, hereinafter referred to as the "Act" and that said exemption be made effective retroactive from the date of first production of natural gas from each well.

(3) Subsequent to the hearing the applicant in this matter requested that this application be <u>dismissed</u>.

(4) Gas Company of New Mexico, who appeared at the hearing in opposition to this case, also concurs with the applicant's request for dismissal.

(5) The applicant's request for dismissal should therefore be granted.

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IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:

Case No. 9703 is hereby dismissed.

DONE at Santa Fe, New Mexico, on the day and year hereinabove designated.

STATE OF NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION WILLIAM J. LEMAY Director

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