

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. 10566
ORDER NO. R-9738

**APPLICATION OF MERIDIAN OIL, INC. FOR INFILL
DRILLING AND AN UNORTHODOX COAL GAS WELL
LOCATION, SAN JUAN COUNTY, NEW MEXICO**

ORDER OF THE DIVISION

BY THE DIVISION:

This cause came on for hearing at 8:15 a.m. on October 1, 1992, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner Michael E. Stogner.

NOW, on this 5th day of October, 1992, the Division Director, having considered 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) The applicant, Meridian Oil, Inc., seeks an exception to Rule 4 of the Special Rules and Regulations for the Basin Fruitland Coal Gas Pool, as promulgated by Division Order No. R-8768, as amended, authorizing infill drilling in the Basin Fruitland Coal Gas Pool in the E/2 equivalent of Section 15, Township 30 North, Range 8 West, NMPM, San Juan County, New Mexico.

(3) The applicant proposes to simultaneously dedicate coal gas production from its existing Howell "K" Well No. 300 located at a previously approved unorthodox coal gas well location 1990 feet from the South line and 1175 feet from the East line (Unit I) of said Section 15 and to a well to be drilled at an unorthodox coal gas well location 695 feet from the North line and 840 feet from the East line (Unit A) of Section 15. Lots 1 through 4 and the NE/4 (E/2 equivalent) of said Section 15, comprising 312.42 acres, is to be the designated spacing unit for both wells.

- (4) Prior to the hearing, the applicant requested this case be dismissed.
- (5) The applicant's request for dismissal should be granted.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:

Case No. 10566 is hereby dismissed.

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

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WILLIAM J. LEMAY
Director

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