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November 19, 1990

Mr. William LeMay
New Mexico Oil Conservation Division
310 Old Santa Fe Trail
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87503

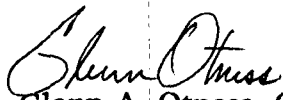
RE: **Meridian Oil Company**
Jicarilla 126 S#5
Jicarilla 126 S#13
Rio Arriba County, New Mexico
Cinco Diablos Prospect (NM-1709)

Gentlemen:

Apache Corporation waives any objections to Meridian Oil Company's non-standard locations for Fruitland Coal recompletion for the captioned wells as set forth by Meridian in the letter dated October 22, 1990. Enclosed for your files is one executed copy of the Meridian letter for each well waiving the objections.

Very truly yours,

APACHE CORPORATION


Glenn A. Otness, CPL
Senior Landman

GAO/clf
(W0510)

Enclosure

cc: Dave Talbott
Joe Ross
Peggy Bradfield, Meridian - Farmington, NM (w/enclosures)



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

GARREY CARRUTHERS
GOVERNOR

November 8, 1990

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SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO 87504
(505) 827-5800

Meridian Oil, Inc.
P.O. Box 4289
Farmington, NM 87499-4289

Attention: Peggy Bradfield

RE: *Unorthodox coal gas well location, Jicarilla 126-S Well No. 5, 890' FNL - 990' FWL (Unit D); 2-T24N-R4W, NMPM, Basin-Fruitland Coal Gas Pool, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico.*

Dear Ms. Bradfield:

Having received many applications in the past to recomplete existing wells to the Basin-Fruitland Coal Gas Pool at unorthodox coal gas well locations, usually Pictured Cliffs wells, which are off pattern for coal gas development, it appears that additional information may be necessary to properly evaluate future filings in instances when there are two wells in the proposed coal spacing unit producing from the same formation in which the one to be recompleted is off-pattern.

In the immediate instance, the proposed N/2 equivalent coal gas proration unit has two South Blanco Pictured Cliffs Gas wells; the subject Jicarilla 126-S Well No. 5 located in Unit D and the Jicarilla 126-S Well No. 4 located in Unit A at a standard coal gas well location. Why was the No. 5 chosen over the No. 4 well? Also, how does this off-pattern recompletion effect coal development in the immediate area? Please submit any supporting production data, engineering evaluation and related technical data to support your choice of wells for recompletion. Also submit a plat of the offsetting sections showing the coal completions presently planned or currently producing and provide a discussion addressing the proposed off-pattern development.

It would also appear that an exception to rule 4 of the special Rules and Regulations for the Basin-Fruitland Coal Gas Pool is in order for this well. Please file accordingly.

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Attention: Peggy Bradfield
November 8, 1990
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Should you have any questions, please contact me.

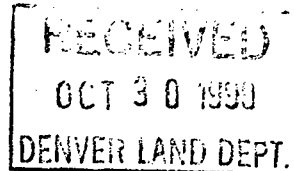
Sincerely,

Michael E. Stogner
Chief Hearing Officer/Engineer

cc: Oil Conservation Division - Aztec
US Bureau of Land Management - Farmington

MERIDIAN OIL

October 22, 1990



Federal Express

Mr. William LeMay
New Mexico Oil Conservation Division
310 Old Santa Fe Trail
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87503

RE: Jicarilla 126 S #5
890'FNL, 990'FWL
Section 02, T-24-N, R-04-W
Rio Arriba County, New Mexico

Dear Mr. LeMay:

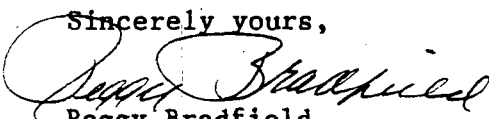
This is a request for administrative approval for a non-standard gas well location in the Basin Fruitland Pool.

Meridian Oil intends to plugback and recomplete the Jicarilla 126 S #5 well from the Pictured Cliffs pool to the Basin Fruitland Coal Pool. The current location of this well is 890'FNL, 990'FWL, Section 02, T-24-N, R-04-W, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico. The well is considered non-standard due to the NE-SW dedicated pattern established for the Basin Fruitland Coal Pool. To comply with the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division rules, Meridian is submitting the following for your approval of this non-standard location:

1. C-102 plat showing location of the well;
2. Plat showing offset owners/operators;
3. Affidavit of notification of offset owners/operators;
4. Copy of Well Completion Log for original completion.

A copy of this application is being submitted to all offset owners/operators by certified mail with a request that they furnish your Santa Fe office with a Waiver of Objection, and return one copy to this office.

Sincerely yours,


Peggy Bradfield
encl.

WAIVER

APACHE CORPORATION hereby waives objection to Meridian Oil Inc.'s application for a non-standard location for their Jicarilla 126 S #5 as proposed above.

By: Glenn Chuss

Date: 11-19-90

SENIOR LANDMAN

xc: Apache Corporation
Conoco Inc.

MERIDIAN OIL

November 29, 1990

Mr. William LeMay
New Mexico Oil Conservation Division
Post Office Box 2088
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87501

Re: Jicarilla 126 S #5
890'FNL, 990'FWL
Section 2, T-24-N, R-4-W, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico

Dear Mr. LeMay:


This is a request for administrative approval for a non-standard proration unit in the Basin Fruitland Coal.

An application for non-standard location for plugging back this well to the Fruitland Coal was made October 22, 1990, and this request is to amend the application for inclusion of the non-standard proration unit.

Enclosed is a plat showing location of this well, an offset owners/operators plat, affidavit of notification of offset owners/operators, and well completion log for the original completion.

A copy of this is being sent Federal Express to all offset owners/operators, with a request that they telefax their reply as soon as possible to (505) 326-9833, and furnish your Santa Fe office with a copy.

Sincerely,

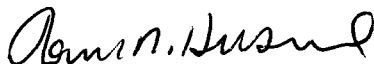


Peggy Bradfield

WAIVER

CONOCO INC. hereby waives objection to Meridian Oil Inc.'s application for a non-standard proration unit for their Jicarilla 126 S #5 as proposed above.

xc: Apache Corp.
Conoco Inc.





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Mr. William LeMay
New Mexico Oil Conservation Division
310 Old Santa Fe Trail
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87503

RE: ~~Jicarilla 126 S #5~~
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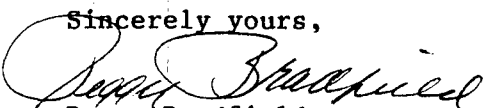
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Sincerely yours,


Peggy Bradfield
encl.

WAIVER

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By: Donna M. Hunsicker Date: 11/13/90

xc: Apache Corporation
Conoco Inc.