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ENERGY, MINERALS AND NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT  
OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

September 19, 1990

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Kellahin, Kellahin & Aubrey  
P.O. Box 2265  
Santa Fe, NM 87504-2265

Attention: W. Thomas Kellahin  
General Counsel for Meridian Oil, Inc.

*RE: Meridian Oil, Inc.'s application for three (3)  
non-standard gas spacing and proration  
units, Sections 3, 4 and 5, Township 31  
North, Range 5 West, NMPM, Basin-  
Fruitland Coal Gas Pool, Rio Arriba  
County, New Mexico.*

Dear Mr. Kellahin:

In reviewing the subject application to be set for the hearing on the October 17, 1990 docket, it appears that this matter can be considered administratively and does not require hearing for resolution. I am therefore returning the subject request for hearing to you since it is deemed unnecessary at this time.

Please submit the required information for administrative review pursuant to Rule 6 of the Special Rules and Regulations for the Basin-Fruitland Coal Gas Pool, as promulgated by Division Order No. R-8768.

Should you have any questions concerning this matter, please contact me.

Sincerely,

Michael E. Stogner  
Chief Hearing Officer/Engineer

MES/ag

cc: Oil Conservation Division - Aztec  
William J. LeMay, Director

Meridian Oil, Inc. - Farmington  
US Bureau of Land Management - Farmington

KELLAHIN, KELLAHIN AND AUBREY

ATTORNEYS AT LAW

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September 17, 1990

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Mr. William J. LeMay  
Oil Conservation Division  
P.O. Box 2088  
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87501

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OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

Re: Meridian Oil Inc.'s Application  
for three (3) Non-Standard Spacing and  
Proration Units, Basin Fruitland Coal Gas Pool,  
Rio Arriba County, New Mexico

Dear Mr. LeMay:

On behalf of Meridian Oil Inc., please set the enclosed application for hearing at the next available examiner's docket now set for October 17, 1990.

We suggest the following to be used for the advertisement for this case:

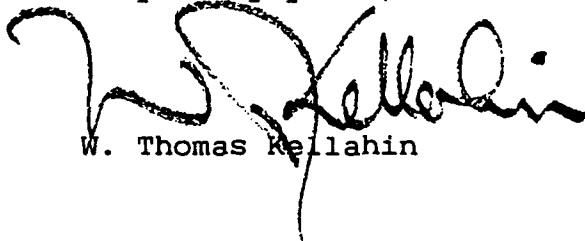
Application of Meridian Oil Inc. for three non-standard spacing and proration units, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico. Applicant in the above-styled cause seeks approval of three non-standard spacing and proration units for wells in Sections 3, 4, and 5 of T31N, R5W, N.M.P.M., Rio Arriba County, New Mexico. Said locations are approximately \_\_\_\_\_ miles from \_\_\_\_\_.

By copy of this letter and application sent certified mail, return-receipt requested, we are notifying each of the offsetting owners and/or operators of their right to appear at the hearing either in support of or in opposition to this application.

Mr. William J. LeMay  
September 17, 1990  
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Should any party desire more information about this matter or about the procedures for hearing this application, they may call the Division or the undersigned.

Very truly yours,



W. Thomas Kellahin

WTK/tic  
Enclosure

cc: Mr. Alan Alexander  
Meridian Oil Inc.  
P.O. Box 4289  
Farmington, New Mexico 87499-4289

"Certified-Return Receipt Requested"

All parties listed on Exhibit B

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

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION  
OF MERIDIAN OIL INC. FOR  
APPROVAL OF THREE NON-STANDARD  
PRORATION AND SPACING UNITS, BASIN  
FRUITLAND COAL GAS POOL,  
RIO ARriba COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

CASE NO.

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A P P L I C A T I O N

COMES NOW MERIDIAN OIL INC., by and through its  
attorneys, KELLAHIN, KELLAHIN & AUBREY, and applies to the  
New Mexico Oil Conservation Division for approval of three  
non-standard proration and spacing units in Township 31  
North, Range 5 West, Basin Fruitland Coal Gas Pool as  
follows:

- (1) Rosa Unit No. 337  
NSPU Description: Section 3: All (368.40 acres)
- (2) Rosa Unit No. 255  
NSPU Description: Section 4: All (368.28 acres)
- (3) Rosa Unit No. 335  
NSPU Description: Section 5: All (367.96 acres)

1. Applicant is a working interest owner and the  
operator of the three spacing units.

2. As a result of governmental surveys, the northern side of T31N, R5W consists of a series of irregularly shaped lots, each of which contains more or less than 40 acres, resulting in the necessity for proration and spacing units, which are contrary to the Oil Conservation Division rules for Basin Fruitland Coal Gas wells.

3. Applicant proposes to dedicate the acreage described above to Basin Fruitland Coal Gas Wells as shown on Exhibit "A".

4. Attached as Exhibit "A" is a plat showing all of the acreage dedicated to the subject wells and the surrounding acreage.

5. Attached as Exhibit "B" is a list of all offsetting owners and/or operators who are required by Division rules to receive notification of this application.

6. Pursuant to Division rules, a copy of this application was mailed by certified mail, return-receipt requested, to all parties listed on Exhibit "B".

WHEREFORE, Applicant requests that after notice and hearing the application be granted.

Respectfully submitted:

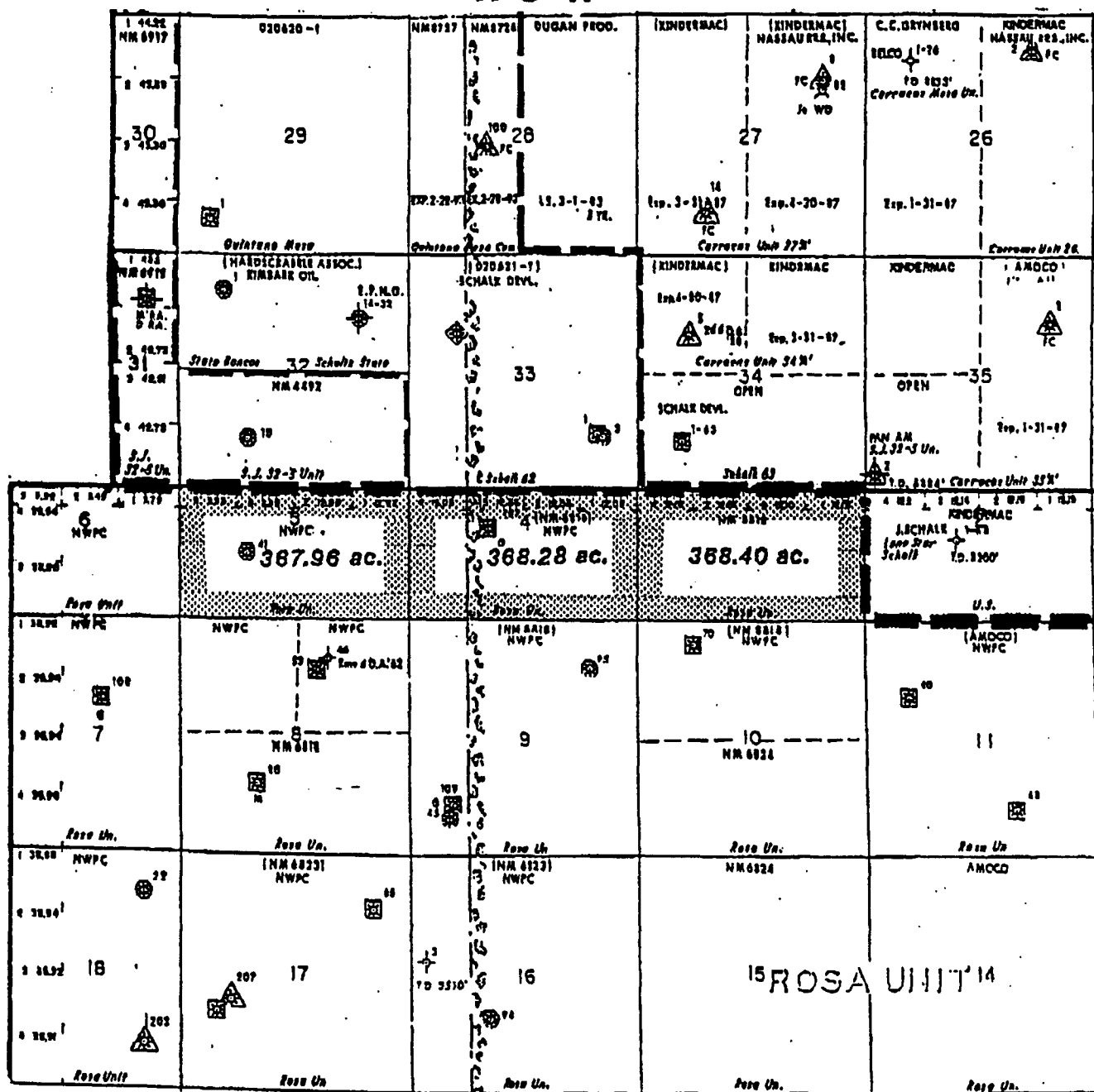
KELLAHIN, KELLAHIN & AUBREY

By: 

W. Thomas Kellahin  
Post Office Box 2265  
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87504

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EXHIBIT A

EXHIBIT B

Coastline Petroleum Company  
P.O. Box 841080  
Dallas, Texas 75284

Schalk Development Company  
P.O. Box 25825  
Albuquerque, New Mexico 87125

Nassau Resources, Inc.  
650 S. Cherry St., Suite 1225  
Denver, Colorado 80222

El Paso Natural Gas Company  
c/o Meridian Oil Inc.  
Post Office Box 4289  
Farmington, New Mexico 87499



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MERIDIAN OIL

SENT FEDERAL EXPRESS  
November 7, 1990

To: Offset Owners/Operators

This is notification that Meridian Oil Inc. is seeking administrative approval for a non-standard gas spacing and proration unit for the referenced wells.

A copy of the C-102 showing the location of these wells and a map showing the offset owners/operators is attached.

A copy of this application is being submitted to all offset owners/operators by Federal Express mail with a request that you furnish the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division, PO Box 2088, Santa Fe, NM 87501 with a Waiver of Objection, and return one copy to this office.

Sincerely yours,

Peggy Bradfield

encl.

WAIVER

Schalk  
Development Co. hereby waives objection to Meridian Oil Inc.'s application for a non-standard gas spacing and proration unit for their Rosa Unit #337, #255 and #335 as proposed above.

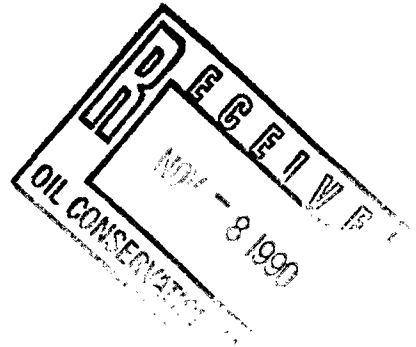
By: 

Date: 11/9/90

xc: Coastline Petroleum Company  
Schalk Development Company  
Nassau Resources, Inc.  
El Paso Natural Gas Company

## MERIDIAN OIL

SENT FEDERAL EXPRESS  
November 7, 1990



Mr. William LeMay  
New Mexico Oil Conservation Division  
Post Office Box 2088  
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87503

Re: Non-standard Spacing and Proration Units  
T-31-N, R-5-W, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico  
Rosa Unit #337 - 2205'FSL, 950'FWL, Section 3  
Rosa Unit #255 - 790'FSL, 1140'FWL, Section 4  
Rosa Unit #335 - 2005'FSL, 950'FWL, Section 5

Gentlemen:

This is an application for administrative approval for non-standard gas spacing and proration unit of the referenced wells in the Fruitland Coal formation.

The following are items for your consideration:

1. Completed C-102 for each well showing location, proration unit and leases within the unit.
2. Plat showing offset operators/owners and acreage dedication for the referenced wells.
3. Fruitland Coal Activity Map with drilled and proposed wells in the Rosa Unit vicinity.
4. Map showing prior administrative approvals in the Rosa Unit and surrounding area.
5. Affidavit of notification of offset operators/owners by certified mail.
6. Copy of application for non-standard spacing and proration unit submitted September 17, 1990, and copy of reply from Michael E. Stogner dated September 19, 1990, requesting that these wells be reviewed administratively.

Please let me know if you require further information.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Peggy Bradfield".

Peggy Bradfield  
Regulatory Affairs

encs.

xc: Bureau of Land Management, Farmington District  
New Mexico Oil Conservation Division, Aztec District

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WAIVER

El Paso Natural Gas Co. hereby waives objection to Meridian Oil Inc.'s application for a non-standard gas spacing and proration unit for their Rosa Unit #337, #255 and #335 as proposed above.

By:  Date: 11/18/90

xc: Coastline Petroleum Company  
Schalk Development Company  
Nassau Resources, Inc.  
El Paso Natural Gas Company

Submit to Appropriate  
District Office  
State Lease - 4 copies  
Fee Lease - 3 copies

State of New Mexico  
Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources Department

Form C-102  
Revised 1-1-89

OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

P.O. Box 2088  
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87504-2088

DISTRICT I  
P.O. Box 1980, Hobbs, NM 88240

DISTRICT II  
P.O. Drawer DD, Artesia, NM 88210

DISTRICT III  
1000 Rio Brazos Rd., Aztec, NM 87410

WELL LOCATION AND ACREAGE DEDICATION PLAT

All Distances must be from the outer boundaries of the section

Operator Meridian Oil Inc.		Lease Rosa Unit (SF-078763)		Well No. 337
Unit Letter M	Section 3	Township 31 North	Range 5 West	County Rio Arriba
Actual Footage Location of Well: 805 feet from the South line and 1200 feet from the West line				
Ground level Elev. 6524'	Producing Formation Fruitland Coal	Pool Basin	Dedicated Acreage: 368.40 Acres	

1. Outline the acreage dedicated to the subject well by colored pencil or hatchure marks on the plat below.
2. If more than one lease is dedicated to the well, outline each and identify the ownership thereof (both as to working interest and royalty).
3. If more than one lease of different ownership is dedicated to the well, have the interest of all owners been consolidated by communitization, unitization, force-pooling, etc.?  
☒ Yes ☐ No If answer is "yes" type of consolidation unitization

If answer is "no" list the owners and tract descriptions which have actually been consolidated. (Use reverse side of this form if necessary.)

No allowable will be assigned to the well until all interests have been consolidated (by communitization, unitization, forced-pooling, or otherwise) or until a non-standard unit, eliminating such interest, has been approved by the Division.

OPERATOR CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the information contained herein is true and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief.

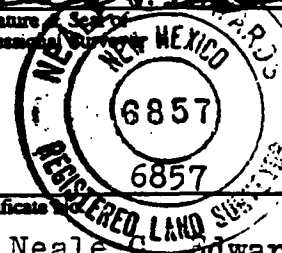
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Peggy Bradfield  
Printed Name  
Regulatory Affairs  
Position  
Meridian Oil Inc.  
Company

Date

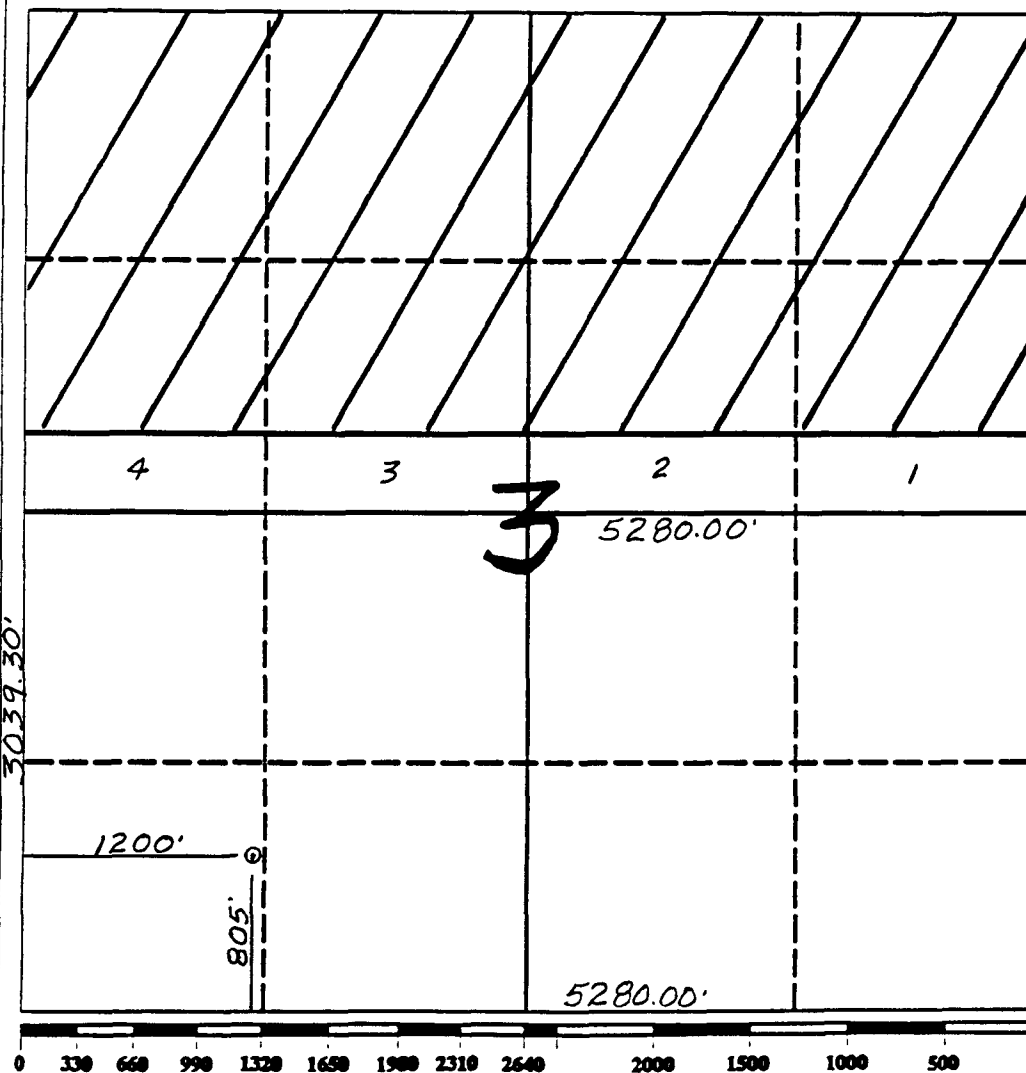
SURVEYOR CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the well location shown on this plat was plotted from field notes or actual surveys made by me or under my supervision, and that the same is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief. 4-17-90

Date Surveyed  
Signature of Surveyor  
Professional Surveyor



Certificate No.  
Neale C. Edwards



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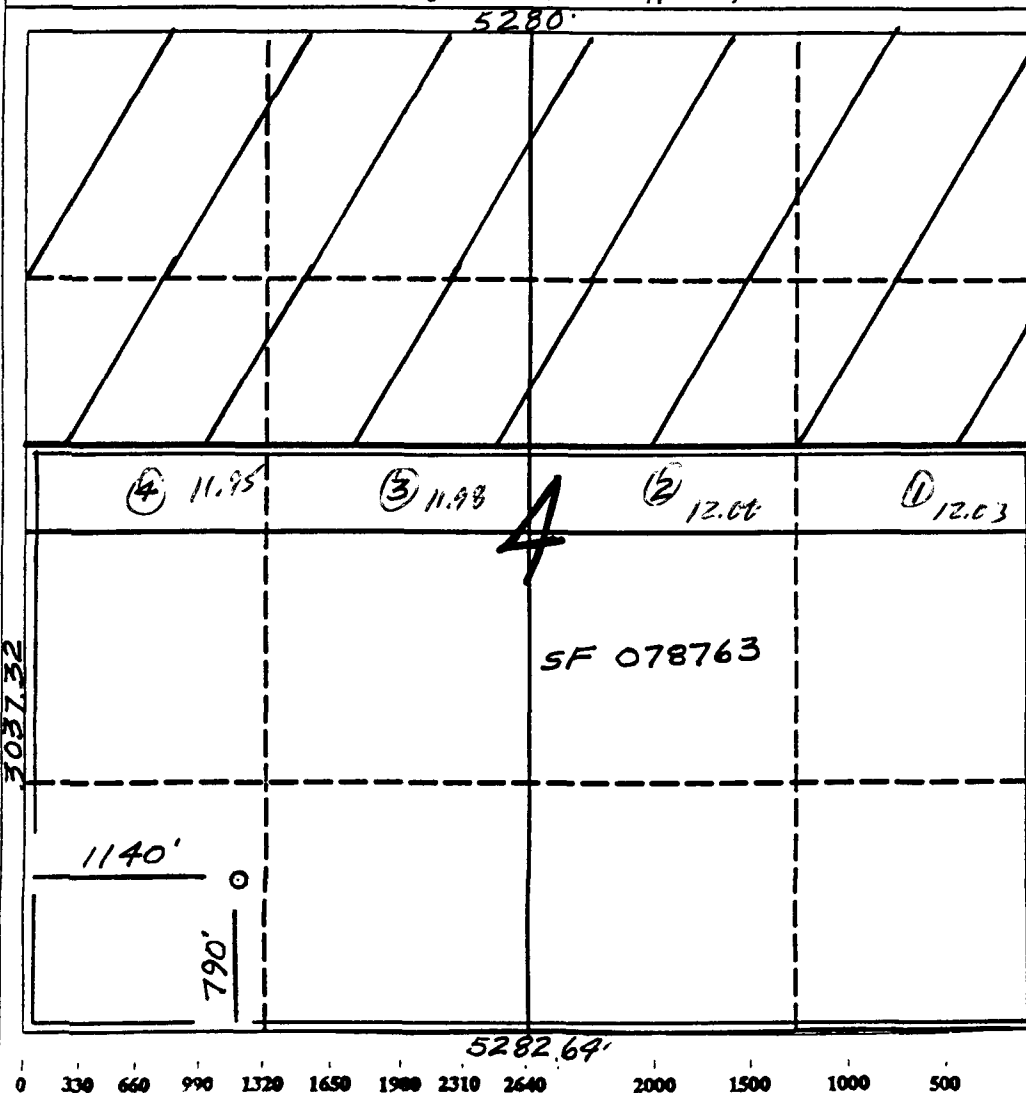
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Operator Meridian Oil Inc.			Lease Rosa Unit (SF-078763)		Well No. 255
Unit Letter M	Section 4	Township 31 North	Range 5 West	County NMPM Rio Arriba	
Actual Footage Location of Well: 790 feet from the South line and 1140 feet from the West line					
Ground level Elev. 6330'	Producing Formation Fruitland Coal		Pool Basin	Dedicated Acreage: 371.28 Acres	

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Printed Name  
Regulatory Affairs  
Position  
Meridian Oil Inc.  
Company

Date

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6-12-90

Date Surveyed

Signature  
Professional Surveyor  
NEALE C. EDWARDS  
NEW MEXICO  
6857  
REGISTERED LAND SURVEYOR  
Certificate No.  
Neale C. Edwards

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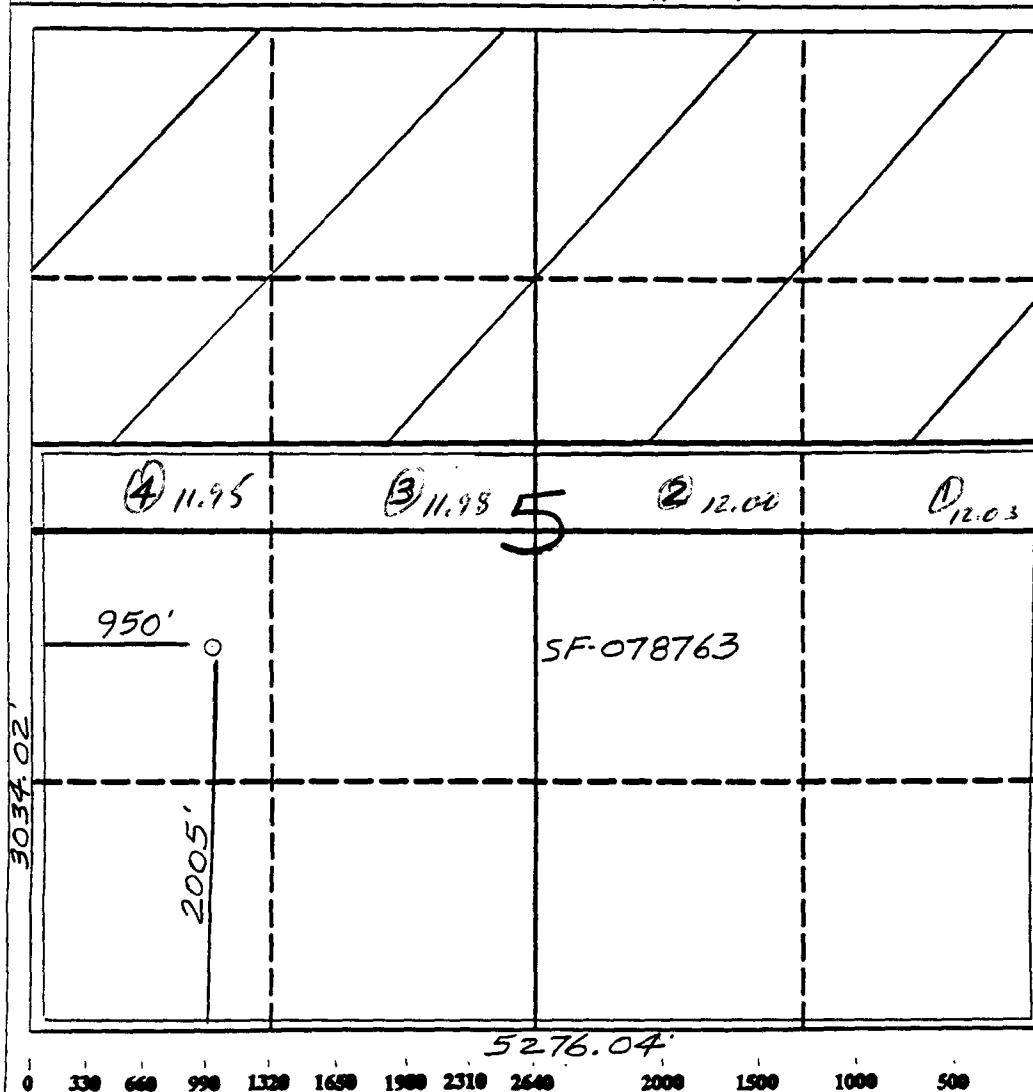
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Operator Meridian Oil Inc.			Lease Rosa Unit		Well No. 335
Unit Letter L	Section 5	Township 31 North	Range 5 West	County Rio Arriba	
Actual Footage Location of Well: 2005 feet from the South line and 950 feet from the West line					
Ground level Elev. 6342'	Producing Formation Fruitland Coal		Pool Basin	Dedicated Acreage: 367.96 Acres	

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Date Surveyed

Signature  
Professional Surveyor



Certificate No.

Neale C. Edwards

# MERIDIAN OIL INC.

## APPLICATION FOR NON-STANDARD SPACING UNITS

County Rio Arriba

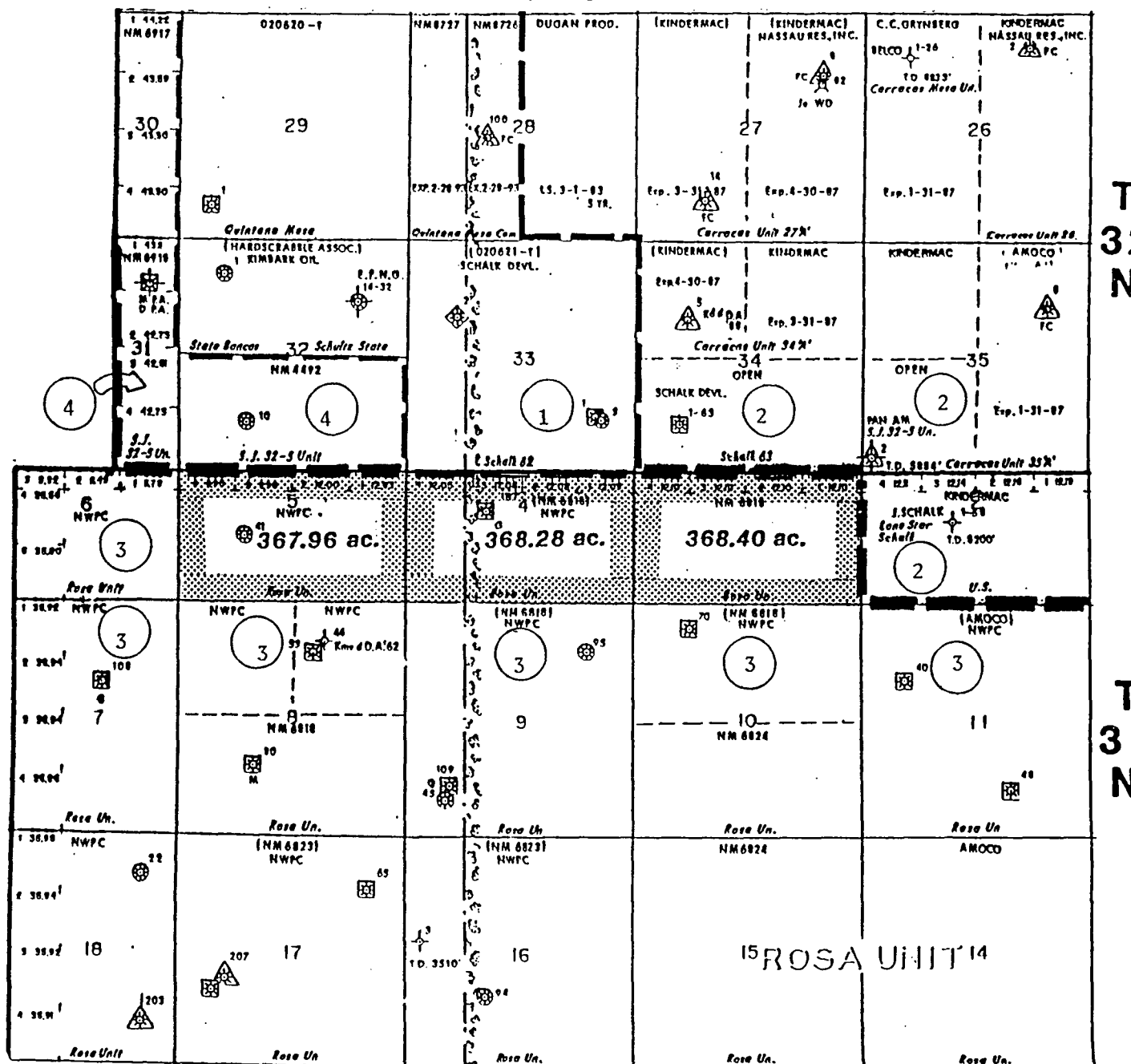
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Section 3, T31N, R5W

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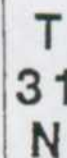
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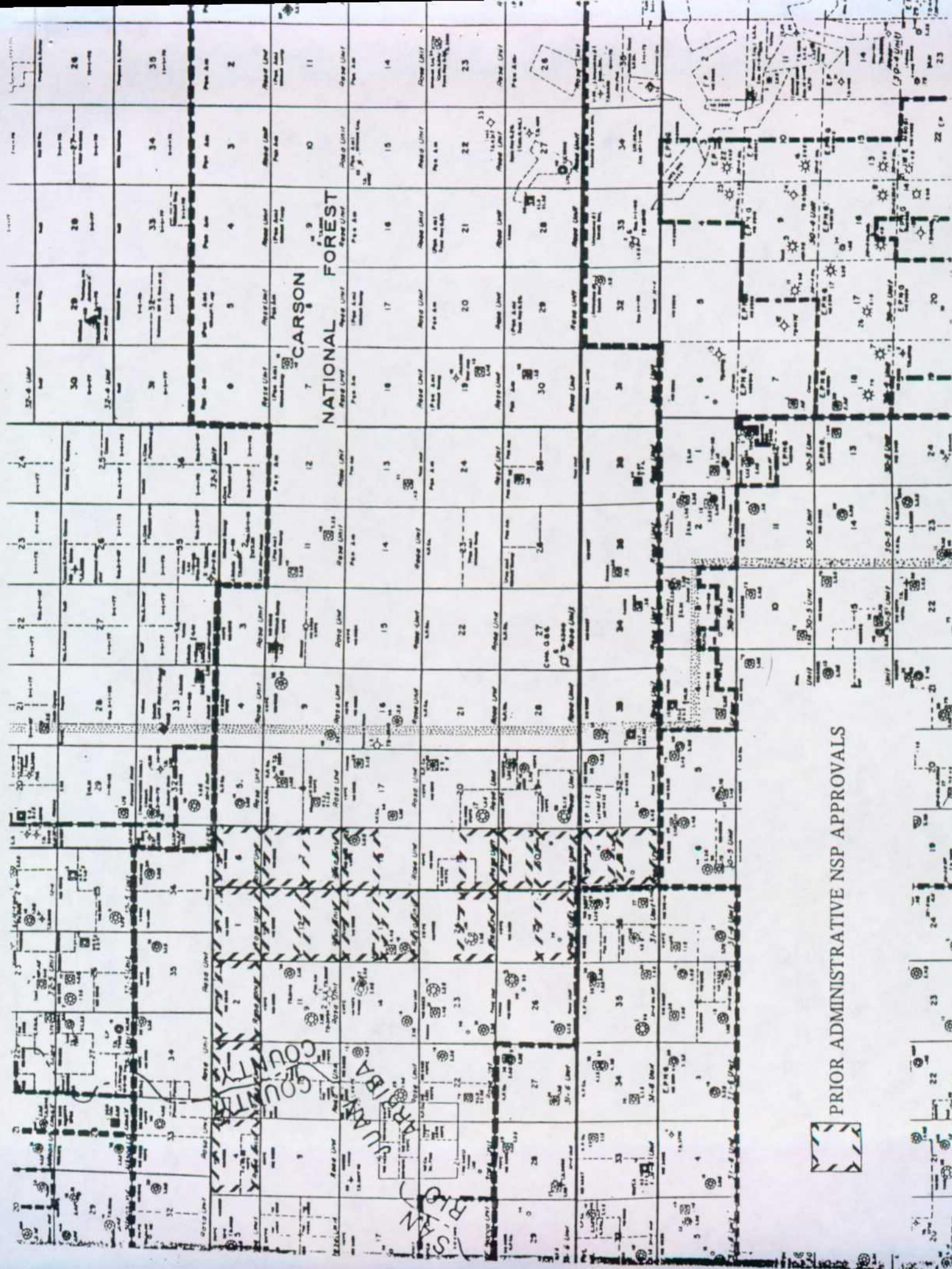
- Remarks
- (1) Coastline Petroleum Company, P.O.Box 841080, Dallas, TX 75284  
Schalk Development Company, P.O. Box 25825, Alb., NM 87125
  - (2) Nassau Resources, Inc., 650 S. Cherry St., Suite 1225, Denver, Colorado 80222
  - (3) Meridian Oil Inc., P.O. Box 4289, Farmington, NM 87499
  - (4) El Paso Natural Gas Company c/o Meridian Oil Inc.

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Green - drilled  
Orange - staked locations  
as of 11-7-90





PRIOR ADMINISTRATIVE NSP APPROVALS



# MERIDIAN OIL

Rio Arriba County, New Mexico

Rosa Unit #337  
805'FSL, 1200'FWL, Section 3, T-31-N, R-5-W

Rosa Unit #255  
790'FSL, 1140'FWL, Section 4, T-31-N, R-5-W

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Peggy A. Bradfield

San Juan County  
State of New Mexico

November 7, 1990

My commission expires August 17, 1992