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Case No. 11067 Docket 24-44: Nos. 18

Mr. & Mrs. Lawrence Kelley 329 Road 4020 Middle Mesa Area Ignacio, Colorado, 81137

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30 July 1994

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Mr. Michael E. Sogner Chief Hearing Examiner Oil Conservation Division 310 Old Santa Fe Trail Santa Fe, New Mexico, 87501

Reference: Packet from Kellahin & Kellahin, dated 25 July 1994

Application of Meridian Oil, Inc., for Approval of its

Allison Unit, CO2 Injection Pilot Project, San Juan County,

New Mexico

Dear Mr. Stogner:

Yesterday, 29 July 1994, we received the above referenced packet from Kellahin & Kellahin, Attorneys at Law, concerning the above referanced pilot project of Meridian Oil, Inc.

We note, on what would be the 11th page, Exhibit B, of the above referenced packet, in the third paragraph of that page, a statement as follows: "There are no known zones above the Fruitland coal in this area which are capable of economic hydrocarbon production and there are, according to the best available data, no fresh water wells within one mile of any of the injectors."

The portion of their statement which is underlined is false!

We, Lawrence and Jacquelyn Kelley, have a fresh water well on our property, which is in constant use. There are other people in this immediate area, well within the 'one mile limit' who have fresh water wells. Not only do we have a fresh water well, it is good drinking water!

We, by hand delivery of this letter, request that the water in our well be tested, by Culligan Water, and that the report be made available to us, to Meridian Oil, Inc., and to the Division, and recorded as fact with the legal establishment, $\underline{\text{BEFORE}}$ any further work, drilling, injection, etc., be performed on our land, Allison Unit INJ#141, SE/4 24-32N-7W.

We very much fear that the establishment of the proposed CO2 well on our land could very well interfere with and contaminate the fresh water we are now getting from our well.

We also would pray that the Division would let us know exactly when and where the meeting is to take place, referred to in W. Thomas Kellahin's letter to the Division, dated 25 July 1994, on page 2.

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We would also pray that the Division, considering that we have no private attorney, and are not privey to the knowledge of the ways of the Division, consider this letter as a 'file for a Pre-Hearing Statement with the Division', and that it was sent prior to 4:00 PM on Friday, August 12, 1994. A copy of this letter is also being sent to Kellahin & Kellahin.

We also ask that the Division take note of two items:

- 1. Our last name is spelled KELLEY, not Kelly.
- Our addressed was changed a few years ago, by San Juan County to: 329 Road 4020 Middle Mesa Area Ignacio, Colorado, 81137

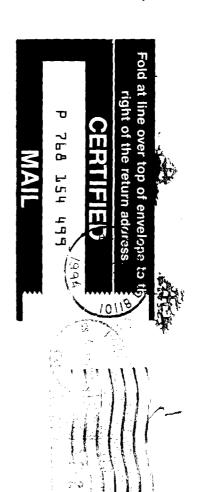
Please let us hear from you at your earliest convenience.

Most sincerely,

cc: Kellahin & Kellahin
 Meridian Oil, Inc. (Farmington)
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