

**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. 11434

APPLICATION OF MERIDIAN OIL INC.
FOR COMPULSORY POOLING AND AN
UNORTHODOX GAS WELL LOCATION,
SAN JUAN COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

PRE-HEARING STATEMENT

This Prehearing Statement is submitted by Campbell, Carr & Berge, P.A., as required by the Oil Conservation Division.

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STATEMENT OF CASE

APPLICANT

(Please make a concise statement of what is being sought with this application and the reasons therefore.)

OTHER PARTY

(Please make a concise statement of the basis for opposing this application or otherwise state the position of the party filing this statement.)

Four Star opposes this application because the parties have validly pooled their interests in the E/2 of said Section 23. Four Star further opposes this application because Meridian failed to engage in reasonable negotiations with Four Star prior to filing this pooling application.

PROPOSED EVIDENCE

APPLICANT

WITNESSES
(Name and expertise)

EST. TIME

EXHIBITS

OTHER PARTY

WITNESSES
(Name and expertise)

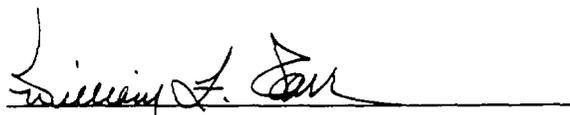
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EXHIBITS

PROCEDURAL MATTERS

(Please identify any procedural matters which need to be resolved prior to hearing)

Four Star Oil & Gas Company's Motion to Dismiss.


Signature

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

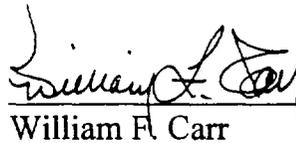
I hereby certify that on this 10th day of January, 1996, I have caused to be telecopied and mailed a copy of our Pre-Hearing Statement in the above-captioned cases to the following counsel of record:

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