

MERIDIAN OIL

Sent copy to
Earnie Bunch
11/30/88

November 8, 1988

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

Case 9578

Dear Mr. LeMay:

This is a request for administrative approval for an unorthodox gas well location in the Basin Fruitland Coal Pool.

It is intended to locate the Meridian Oil Inc.'s Grambling A #801 at 1685' from the South line and 165' from the West line of Section 22, T-28-N, R-8-W, San Juan County, New Mexico.

Extremely rough terrain in the form of steep cliffs makes it impossible to build an orthodox location in the southwest quarter of this section.

A copy of this application is being submitted to all offset 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.

Plats showing the proposed well location and the terrain in Section 22, along with an ownership plat, are attached.

Sincerely yours,



Peggy Bradford

encl.

WAIVER

Tenneco Oil Co. hereby waives objection to Meridian Oil Inc.'s application for an unorthodox location for their Grambling A #801 as proposed above.

By: _____ Date: _____

cc: Tenneco Oil

All distances must be from the outer boundaries of the Section.

Operator Meridian Oil Inc.		Lease Grambling A (NM-013861)		Well No. 801
Unit Letter L	Section 22	Township 28 North	Range 8 West	County San Juan
Actual Postage Location of Wells 1685 feet from the South line and 165 feet from the West line				
Ground Level Elev. 5845	Producing Formation Fruitland Coal	Pool Undesignated	Dedicated Acreage: 320 Acres	

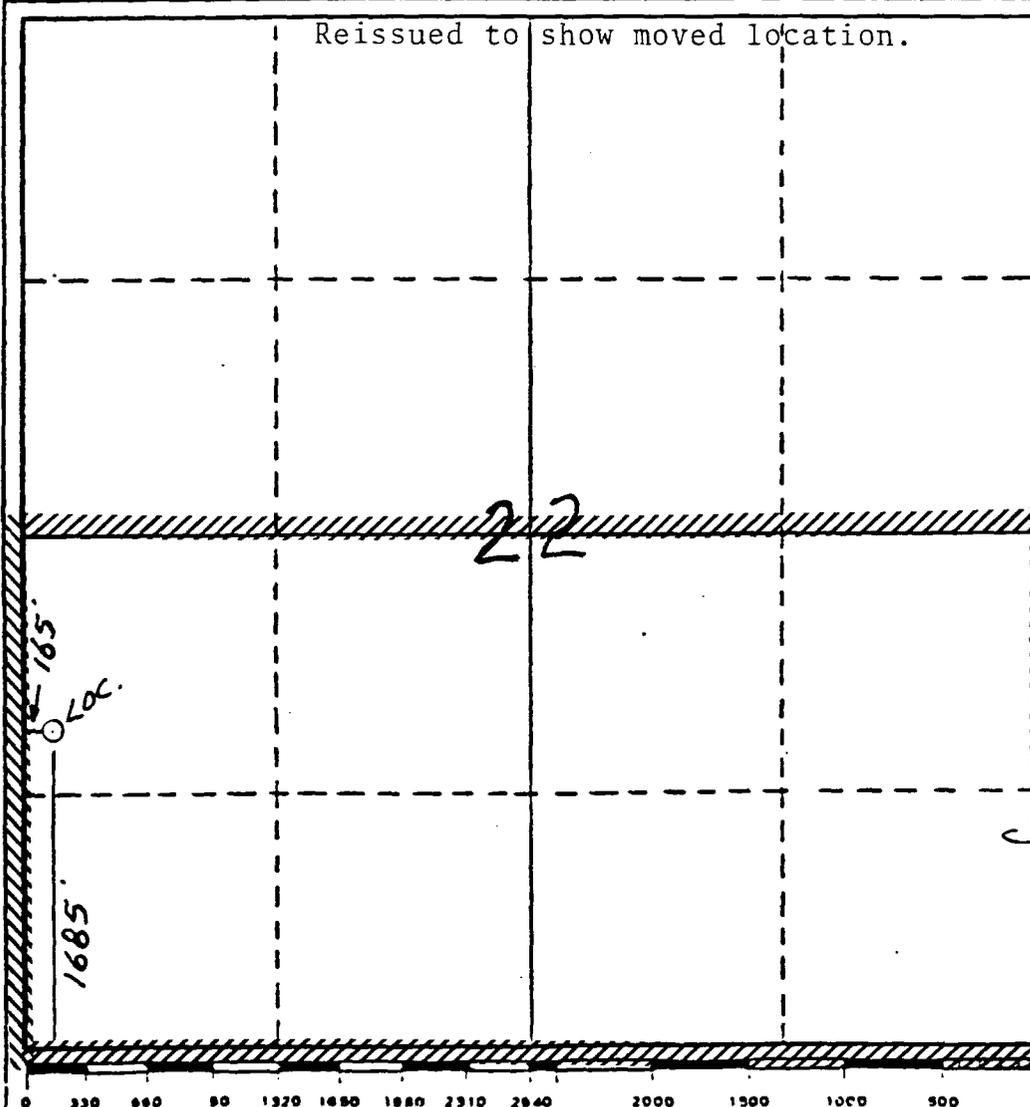
1. Outline the acreage dedicated to the subject well by colored pencil or hachure marks on the plat below.
2. If more than one lease is dedicated to the well, outline each and identify the ownership thereof (both as to working interest and royalty).
3. If more than one lease of different ownership is dedicated to the well, have the interests of all owners been consolidated by communitization, unitization, force-pooling, etc?

Yes No If answer is "yes," type of consolidation _____

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 interests, has been approved by the Division.

* Note: Non-standard due to terrain, pipelines, and archaeology.



CERTIFICATION

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

Name
Regulatory Affairs

Position
Meridian Oil Inc.

Company

Date

I hereby certify that the location shown on this plat was plotted from field notes of 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.

Date Surveyed

10-25-88

Registered Professional Engineer and/or Land Surveyor

Neale C. Edwards

Certificate No.

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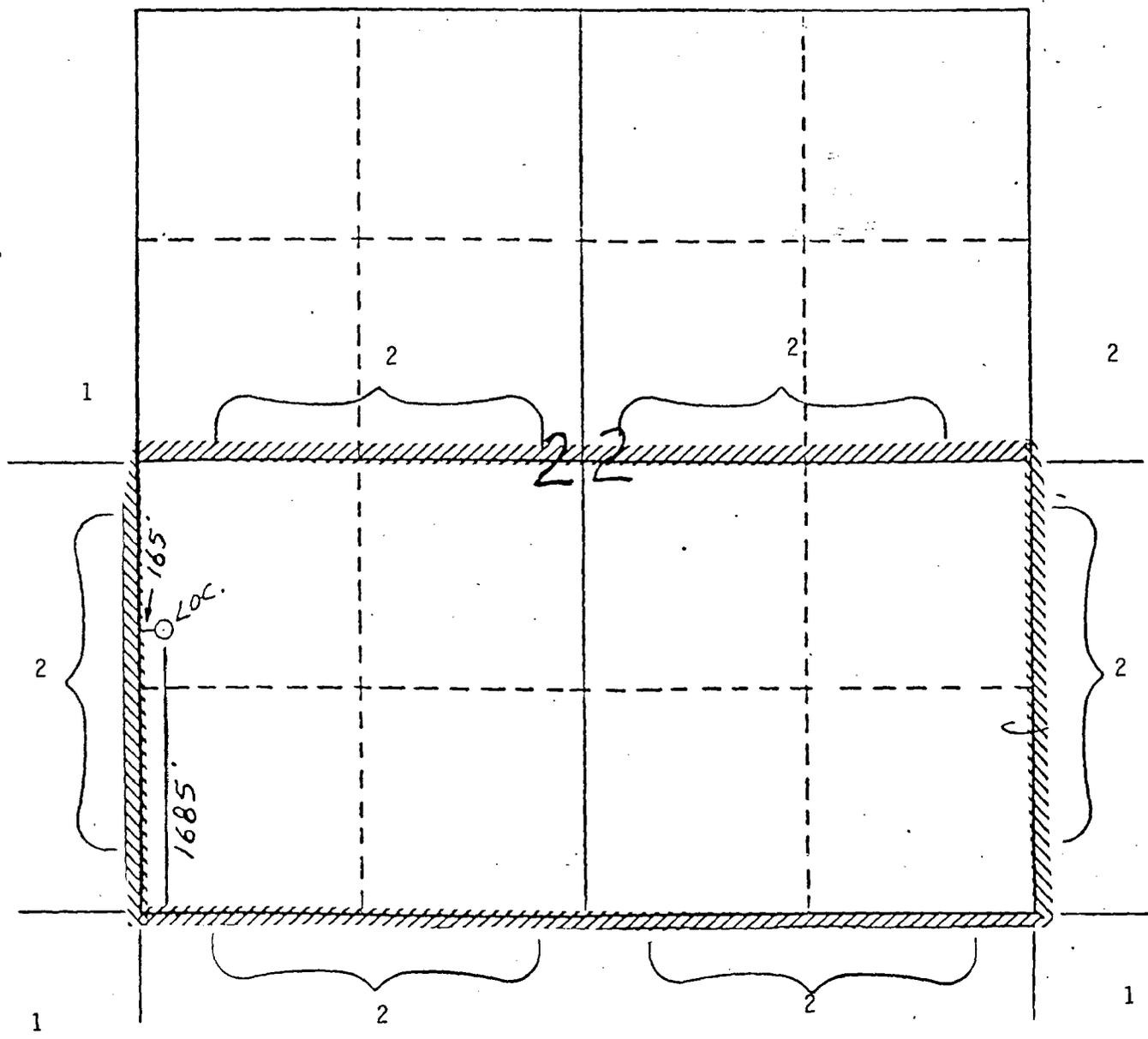
MERIDIAN OIL INC.

Well Name Grambling A #801, Basin-Fruitland Coal Gas Pool

Footage 1685' FSL, 165' FWL

APPLICATION FOR NON-STANDARD LOCATION

County San Juan State New Mexico Section 22 Township 28N Range 8W



REMARKS:

- (1) Meridian Oil Inc.
- (2) Tenneco Oil Company