

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:

APPLICATION OF MERIDIAN OIL, INC.  
FOR AN UNORTHODOX COAL GAS WELL LOCATION,  
RIO ARriba COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

CASE NO. 10039

APPLICATION OF MERIDIAN OIL, INC.  
FOR AN UNORTHODOX COAL GAS WELL LOCATION  
RIO ARriba COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

CASE NO. 10040

PRE-HEARING STATEMENT

This pre-hearing statement is submitted by  
MERIDIAN OIL, INC. as required by the Oil Conservation  
Division.

APPEARANCE OF PARTIES

APPLICANT  
(name, address, phone  
and contact person)

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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.)

As a result of surveying errors, the Rosa Unit 201 and 222 wells were drilled at the wrong locations and are now at unorthodox Basin Fruitland Coal Gas well locations in their respective spacing units. Applicant seeks approval of the unorthodox well locations.

OPPOSITION OR 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)

None anticipated.

**PROPOSED EVIDENCE**

APPLICANT

WITNESSES (name and expertise)	EST. TIME	EXHIBITS
Alan Alexander (landman)	15 min.	3
Jim Falconi (PE)	10 min.	1
Neale C. Edwards (surveyor)	20 min.	Survey plats and field notes

Additional witnesses available

Edgar L. Risenhoover (surveyor)

Mike Turnbaugh (PE) (Northwest Pipeline)

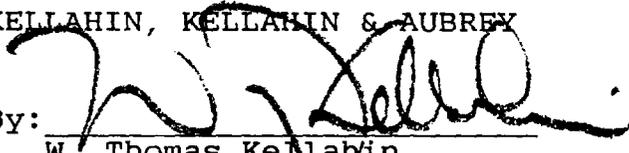
OPPOSITION

WITNESSES (name and expertise)	EST. TIME	EXHIBITS
None anticipated.		

**PROCEDURAL MATTERS**

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

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INC. FOR AN UNORTHODOX COAL  
GAS WELL LOCATION, RIO ARRIBA  
COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

PRE-HEARING STATEMENT

This prehearing statement is submitted by Northwest Pipeline Corporation as required by the Oil Conservation Division.

APPEARANCE OF PARTY

OTHER PARTY

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STATEMENT OF CASE

Northwest Pipeline Corporation appears as a party for it once owned, and then farmed out the lease(s) to the applicant in this case, Meridian Oil, Inc.

PROPOSED EVIDENCE

OTHER PARTY

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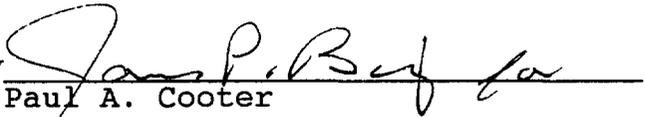
The names of possible other witnesses, if any there be, as well as the proposed exhibits to be offered by Northwest Pipeline Corporation are unknown at this time, and therefore not identifiable. Northwest Pipeline Corporation expressly reserves its right to present such other witnesses, and exhibits as may be relevant and appropriate.

PROCEDURAL MATTERS

None known at this time.

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