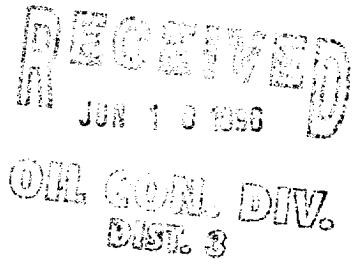




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OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION
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June 3, 1996



Meridian Oil, Inc.
P.O. Box 4289
Farmington, NM 87499-4289

Attention: Peggy Bradfield

**RE: Nye Well No. 17 (API No. 30-045-24871); 1860' FSL - 1110'
FWL (Unit L) of Section 1, Township 30 North, Range 11 West,
NMPM, San Juan County, New Mexico.**

Dear Ms. Bradfield:

The Division received your application requesting approval of an unorthodox Basin-Dakota gas well location for the subject well on May 1, 1996. Within this application you stated that the well is to be sidetracked, please submit a schematic of the proposed recompletion and any other information concerning the method in which this well is to be deviated from the original wellbore.

Should you have any questions, please contact me at (505) 827-8185.

Sincerely,

Michael E. Stogner
Chief Hearing Officer/Engineer

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cc: Oil Conservation Division - Aztec ✓