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OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION
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Burlington Resources Oil & Gas Company/Meridian Oil, Inc.
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Attention: Peggy Bradfield

Administrative Order NSL-405-A

Dear Ms. Bradfield:

Reference is made to your application dated March 26, 1997 for an unorthodox gas well location for both the Blanco-Mesaverde and Basin-Dakota Pools for the proposed San Juan "28-5" Unit Well No. 45-M to be drilled 1450 feet from the North line and 1190 feet from the West line (Unit E) of Section 36, Township 28 North, Range 5 West, NMPM, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico.

Production from the Basin-Dakota Pool is to be included in an existing non-standard 345.39-acre gas spacing and proration unit comprising Lot 1 of Section 35, Township 28 North, Range 5 West, NMPM, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico and Lot 4, the SW/4 NE/4, the NE/4 NW/4, the S/2 NW/4, and the N/2 SW/4 of said Section 36 (approved by Division Order No. R-2948, dated August 16, 1965), which is currently dedicated to Burlington Resources' San Juan "28-5" Unit Well No. 45 (API No. 30-039-20063), located at an unorthodox gas well location (approved by Division Administrative Order NSL-405, dated August 23, 1967) 1500 feet from the North line and 1840 feet from the East line (Unit G) of said Section 36 and that area comprising Lots 1 and 2, the W/2 NE/4, and the NW/4 (N/2 equivalent) of said Section 36 being a standard 344.74 acres gas spacing and proration unit for the Blanco-Mesaverde Pool, are to be dedicated to said well.

By the authority granted me under the provisions of Rule 2(d) of the "General Rules For The Prorated Gas Pools of New Mexico/Special Rules and Regulations For The Blanco-Mesaverde Pool/Special Rules and Regulations for the Basin-Dakota Pool", as promulgated by Division Order No. R-8170, as amended, the above-described unorthodox gas well location for the San Juan "28-5" Unit Well No. 45-M is hereby approved.

Sincerely,

William J. LeMay
Director

WJL/MES/kv

cc: Oil Conservation Division - Aztec
U. S. Bureau of Land Management - Farmington
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