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cc: Amoco Production Co P 565 392 428
BHP Petroleum Inc P 565 392 429
Meridian Oil Inc P 565 392 430
Nassau Resources Inc P 565 392 431
Mr. Rip C. Underwood P 565 392 432
Yates Petroleum Corp P 565 392 433

RE: Request for Administrative Approval
of an Unorthodox Basin Fruitland Coal Location
Robert L. Bayless
West Draw #2
827' FSL & 857' FEL
Section 18, T27N, R12W
San Juan County, New Mexico

Gentlemen:

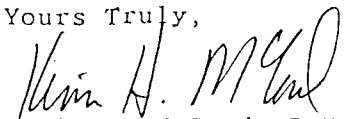
Robert L. Bayless requests administrative approval of the above referenced well as an unorthodox Basin Fruitland Coal formation gas well. This well will be a newly drilled well on the same wellpad as the Bayless West Draw #1 which is a shutin gas well completed in the Farmington Sandstone formation. The reason the location of the new well is so close to the West Draw #1 is do to the gas shows observed from the Fruitland formation during the drilling of this well. Also, a second gas well in nearly the same location considerably enhances the economics of pipeline construction for both of the wells.

The West Draw #2 will be an unorthodox Fruitland Coal location in that it will be located in the SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 18 rather than the SW $\frac{1}{4}$ or the NE $\frac{1}{4}$. The proration unit to be assigned to this well will be the S $\frac{1}{2}$. This will be the first Fruitland Coal well drilled in this area, so an unorthodox well should not cause any Fruitland Coal drainage problems in this area.

You will find enclosed with this request a map showing the wells offsetting the proposed West Draw #2 and the ownership of the leases around this new well. Also enclosed you will find an acreage dedication plat for this well and copies of this letter which were sent to offset leaseholders. As per NMOCD Regulations, by copy of this letter to offset leaseholders, Robert L. Bayless is asking offset leaseholders that they waive any objection to this Basin Fruitland Coal unorthodox location.

I believe this request provides all the information required by NMOCD Regulations for an unorthodox location. If any other information is needed, please call. Your prompt response to this request is appreciated.

Yours Truly,


Kevin H. McCord, P.E.
Petroleum Engineer

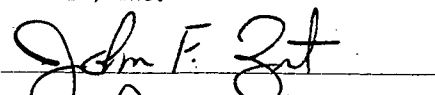
enc.

The undersigned has no objection to the above location.

Meridian Oil, Inc.

By:

Date:


Dec 3 1994

If you concur and have no objection, please sign and return one copy of this letter to the NMOCD in Santa Fe, one copy to our office, and retain one for your files.

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