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VIA FACSIMILE

Mr. Michael E. Stogner
Chief Hearing Examiner
Oil Conservation Division
2040 South Pacheco
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505

Re: NMOCD Case 11480
Hancock Well No. 3
Application of Meridian Oil Inc.
for Downhole Commingling,
San Juan County, New Mexico

Dear Mr. Stogner:

On behalf of Meridian Oil Inc., I would appreciate you continuing the referenced case from the Examiner docket schedule for March 7, 1996 to the Examiner hearing docket now scheduled for March 21, 1996. The reason for the continuance is our expectation that this case can be processed administratively after the adoption of changes to Rule 303 now pending signature by the Commission on March 12, 1996.

Very truly yours,



W. Thomas Kellahin

cc: Meridian Oil Inc.
Attn: Alan Alexander