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ENERGY, MINERALS AND NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT
OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

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IN THE MATTER OF THE HEARING
CALLED BY THE OIL CONSERVATION
DIVISION FOR THE PURPOSE OF
CONSIDERING:

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OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

CASE NO. 10604

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

PRE-HEARING STATEMENT

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

APPEARANCE OF PARTIES

APPLICANT

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OPPOSITION OR OTHER PARTY

ATTORNEY

N/A

STATEMENT OF CASE

APPLICANT

Meridian Oil Inc., Applicant, seeks approval to drill a replacement coal gas well within an existing standard 315.76 acre gas spacing and proration unit comprising Lots 3 through 6, and 11 through 14 (W/2 Equivalent) of Section 33, Township 31 North, Range 9 West, Basin Fruitland Coal Gas Pool, at an unorthodox coal gas well location within the NW/4 equivalent of said Section 33 that is no closer than 790 feet to any outer boundary of the proration unit nor closer than 130 feet to the quarter section line bisecting the unit nor closer than 10 feet to the subdivision inner boundaries within the NW/4 equivalent of said Section 33. Said unit is presently dedicated to the Johnston Federal Well No. 28 located at a standard coal gas well location 2255 feet from the South line and 1065 feet from the West line (Unit L) of said Section 33, which will either be plugged and abandoned or used as a pressure observation well after the replacement well is completed.

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PROPOSED EVIDENCE

APPLICANT

WITNESSES	EST. TIME	EXHIBITS
Alan Alexander Landman	10 Minutes	2 Exhibits
Greg Jennings Geologist	20 Minutes	3 Exhibits
Jim Falconi Petroleum Engineer	20 Minutes	3 Exhibits

OPPOSITION

WITNESSES	EST. TIME	EXHIBITS
SEE OPPOSITION FILING, IF ANY		

PROCEDURAL MATTERS

None applicable at this time.

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