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Mr. William J. LeMay Oil Conservation Division P.O. Box 2088 Santa Fe, New Mexico 87501

Re: Application for DeNovo Hearing on the Application of Meridian Oil, Inc. for a Highly-Deviated Directional Drilling Pilot Project, Unorthodox Gas Well Location and an Exception to Rule 2(b) of the Special Rules governing the Blanco-Mesaverde Pool, San Juan County, New Mexico, Riddle #1 R Well Case No. 9765 Order No. R-9037

Dear Mr. LeMay:

On behalf of Meridian Oil, Inc., please find enclosed our Application for DeNovo Hearing of the referenced case and order entered on November 8, 1989.

We are anxious to have this matter heard by the Commission at the earliest convenience. Please let me know when that hearing will be held.

Very truly yours,

W. Thomas kellahin

WTK/tic Enclosure

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IN THE MATTER OF THE HEARING CALLED BY THE OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONSIDERING: DEC 6 1989

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CASE NO. 9765 ORDER NO. R-9037

APPLICATION OF MERIDIAN OIL, INC. FOR A HIGHLY-DEVIATED DIRECTIONAL DRILLING PILOT PROJECT, UNORTHODOX GAS WELL LOCATION AND AN EXCEPTION TO RULE 2(b) OF THE SPECIAL RULES GOVERNING THE BLANCO-MESAVERDE POOL, SAN JUAN COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, RIDDLE #1 R WELL

APPLICATION FOR DENOVO HEARING

Comes now MERIDIAN OIL, INC., a party of record adversely affected by Division Order R-9037 entered effective November 8, 1989, and in accordance with the rules and regulations of the Oil Conservation Division seeks a Hearing DeNovo before the full Commission to be set at the earliest possible opportunity.

Respectfully submitted:

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