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STATE OF NEW MEXICO  
ENERGY, MINERALS AND NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT  
OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

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

CASE NO. 9976

APPLICATION OF MERIDIAN OIL, INC.  
FOR TWO NON-STANDARD GAS  
PRORATION AND SPACING UNITS,  
SAN JUAN COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

PRE-HEARING STATEMENT

This pre-hearing statement is submitted by  
KELLAHIN, KELLAHIN & AUBREY as required by the Oil  
Conservation Division.

APPEARANCE OF PARTIES

APPLICANT  
(name, address, phone  
and contact person)

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OPPOSITION OR OTHER PARTY  
(name, address, phone  
and contact person)

ATTORNEY

## STATEMENT OF CASE

### APPLICANT

(please make a concise statement of what is being sought with this application and the reasons therefore.)

Applicant seeks approval of two non-standard Basin Fruitland Coal Gas spacing and proration units:

- (1) East #13 well will be all of the W/2 of Section 24 except the NW/4NW/4 plus the SE/4SE/4 of Section 23,
- (2) the Hedges #100 well will be all of the E/2 of Section 23 except the SE/4SE/4 plus the NW/4NW/4 of Section 24.

The approval of the unit is to make the coal gas spacing consistent with previously approved Mesaverde and Dakota units on this acreage.

### OPPOSITION OR OTHER PARTY

(Please make a concise statement of the basis for opposing this application or otherwise state the position of the party filing this statement)

**PROPOSED EVIDENCE**

APPLICANT

WITNESSES (name and expertise)	EST. TIME	EXHIBITS
Alan Alexander (landman)	20 min.	Application Land plat of area
Jim Falconi (engineer)	15 min.	Plat for Hedges #100 well Plat for East #13 well Offset operator identification Plat of Mesaverde and Dakota units with prior orders

OPPOSITION

WITNESSES (name and expertise)	EST. TIME	EXHIBITS
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**PROCEDURAL MATTERS**

(Please identify any procedural matters which need to be resolved prior to the hearing)

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