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Mr. William J. LeMay
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Post Office Box 2088
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87501

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OIL CONSERVATION DIV.
SANTA FE

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Re: Meridian Oil, Inc.'s Application
for Two Unorthodox Well Locations,
Basin Fruitland Coal Gas Pool,
San Juan County, New Mexico

Dear Mr. LeMay:

On behalf of Meridian Oil, Inc., please set the enclosed application for hearing at the next available examiner's docket now set for August 8, 1990.

We suggest the following to be used for the advertisement for this case:

Application of Meridian Oil, Inc. for approval of two unorthodox gas well locations, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico. Applicant seeks approval of an unorthodox gas well location for its Rosa Unit No. 201 Well drilled at an unorthodox location 1640 feet from the North line and 420 feet from the East line of Section 22, Township 31 North, Range 6 West, N.M.P.M. and for its Rosa Unit No. 222 Well drilled at an unorthodox gas well location 1910 feet from the North line and 635 feet from the East line of Section 15, Township 31 North, Range 6 West, N.M.P.M., Basin Fruitland Coal Gas Pool, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico.

By copy of this letter and application sent certified mail, return-receipt requested, we are notifying each of the offsetting owners and/or operators of their right to appear at the hearing either in support of or in opposition to this application.

Mr. William J. LeMay
October 24, 1989
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Should any party desire more information about this matter or about the procedures for hearing this application, they may call the Division or the undersigned.

Very truly yours,

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W. Thomas Kellahin

WTK/tic

cc: Mr. Alan Alexander
Meridian Oil, Inc.
Post Office Box 4289
Farmington, New Mexico 87499-4289

Certified mail return-receipt

Northwest Pipeline Corporation
3539 East 30th
Farmington, New Mexico 87401

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

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION
OF MERIDIAN OIL, INC. FOR APPROVAL
OF TWO UNORTHODOX WELL LOCATIONS,
BASIN FRUITLAND COAL GAS POOL,
SAN JUAN COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

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A P P L I C A T I O N

COMES NOW MERIDIAN OIL, INC., by and through its attorneys, KELLAHIN, KELLAHIN & AUBREY, and applies to the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division for approval of two unorthodox gas wells in the Basin Fruitland Coal Gas Pool in Sections 22 and 15, Township 31 North, Range 6 West, San Juan County, New Mexico for the following wells, which have been drilled:

Rosa Unit No. 201 Well drilled at an unorthodox location 1640 feet from the North line and 420 feet from the East line of Section 22, Township 31 North, Range 6 West, N.M.P.M.

Rosa Unit No. 222 Well drilled at an unorthodox gas well location 1910 feet from the North line and 635 feet from the East line of Section 15, Township 31 North, Range 6 West, N.M.P.M., Basin Fruitland Coal Gas Pool, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico.

1. Applicant is a working interest owner and operator of the Rosa Unit Wells 222 and 201. Applicant is a working interest owner in the wells.

2. The Rosa Unit No. 201 Well is dedicated to the E/2 Section 22, T31N, R6W and the Rosa Unit No. 222 Well is dedicated to the E/2 Section 15, T31N, R6W.

3. The two subject well locations were originally staked based upon original surveys which incorrectly located the wells and were assumed to place these two wells at standard well locations for Basin Fruitland Coal Gas Wells.

4. The incorrect locations were:

Rosa Unit 201: 1230 feet FNL and 1330 feet FEL
Section 22, T31N, R6W.

Rosa Unit 222: 1880 feet FNL and 830 feet FEL
Section 15, T31N. R6W.

5. New surveys show that the wells were in fact drilled at the following locations:

Rosa Unit 201: 1640 feet FNL and 420 feet FEL
Section 22, T31N, R6W.

Rosa Unit 222: 1910 feet FNL and 635 feet FEL
Section 15, T31N, R6W.

6. Approval of the two unorthodox wells, inadvertently drilled upon the assumption that they were at standard well location is necessary in order to avoid waste and to protect correlative rights of the owners involved.


5. Attached as Exhibits A and B are plats showing the corrected individual well locations and their acreage dedication.

6. Attached as Exhibit C is a list of all offsetting owners and/or operators who are required by Division rules to receive notification of this application.

7. Pursuant to Division rules, a copy of this application was mailed by certified mail, return-receipt requested, to all parties listed on Exhibit C notifying them of the hearing set for August 8, 1990.

WHEREFORE, Applicant requests that after notice and hearing the application be granted.

KELLAHIN, KELLAHIN & AUBREY

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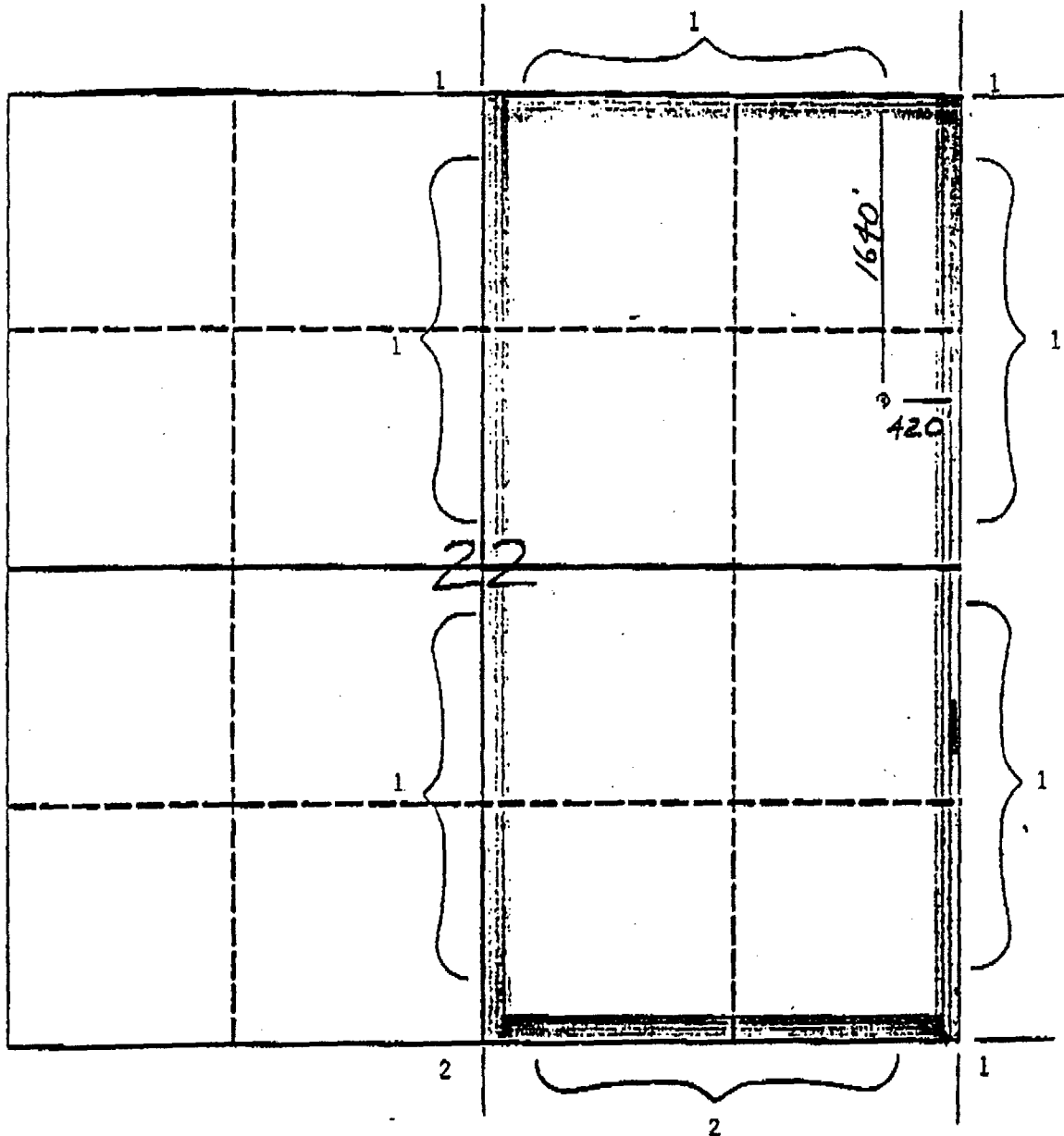
MERIDIAN OIL INC

Well Name Rosa Unit #201

Footage 1640' FNL, 420' FEL

APPLICATION FOR NON-STANDARD LOCATION

County Rio Arriba State New Mexico Section 22 Township 31N Range 6W



Remarks 1) Meridian Oil Inc.
2) Northwest Pipeline Corporation

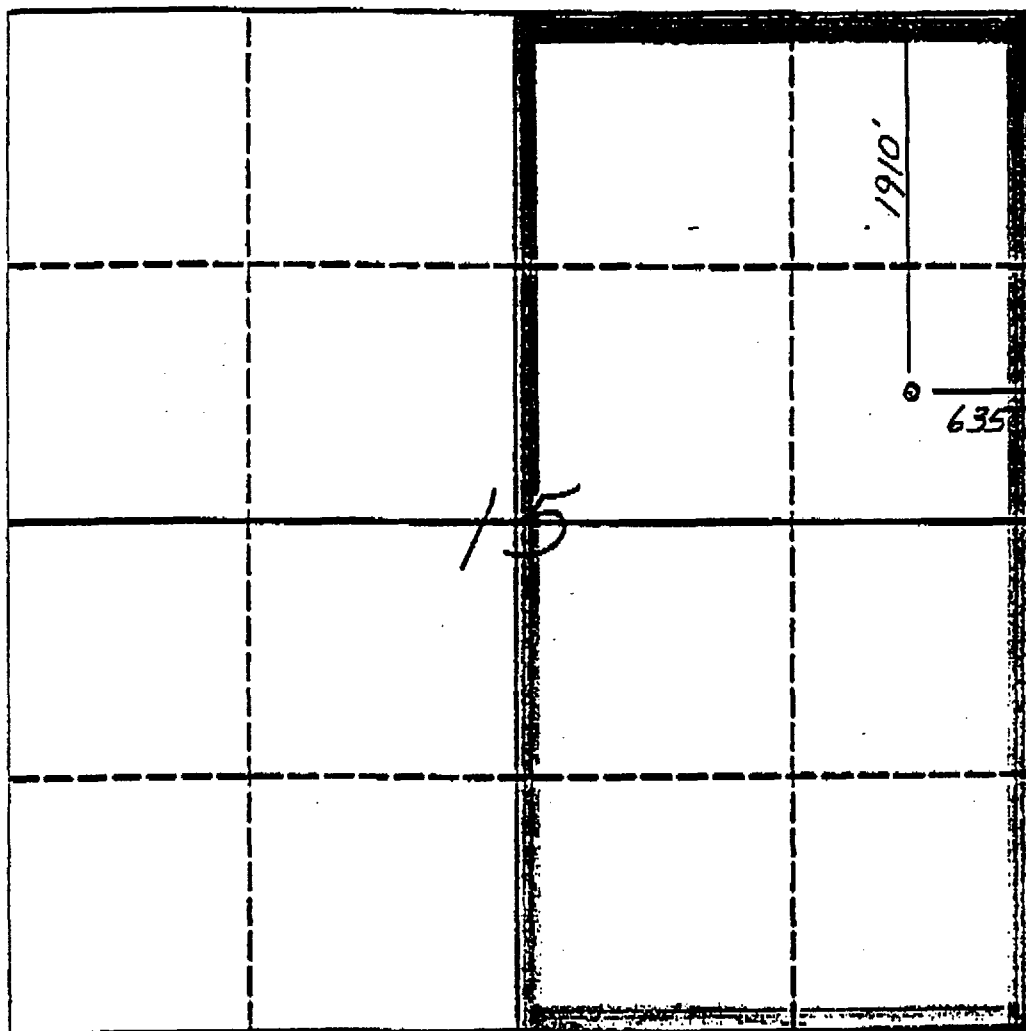
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MERIDIAN OIL INC

Well Name Rosa Unit #222

Footage 1910' FNL, 635' FEL

APPLICATION FOR NON-STANDARD LOCATION

County Rio Arriba State New Mexico Section 15 Township 31N Range 6W



Remarks All surrounding lands located within the Rosa Unit boundaries.
Meridian Oil Inc. is sub-operator for Fruitland formation.

EXHIBIT "B"

EXHIBIT C TO APPLICATION

Northwest Pipeline Corporation
3539 East 30th
Farmington, New Mexico 87401

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MERIDIAN OIL

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March 28, 1990

Certified Mail

Mr. William LeMay
New Mexico Oil Conservation Division
Post Office Box 2088
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87503

Dear Mr. LeMay:

Per my telephone conversation with Michael Stogner of your office on Friday, March 16, 1990, this is an application for administrative approval for the non-standard location of the Meridian Oil Inc. Rosa Unit #201. This Basin Fruitland Coal well was drilled at 1230' from the North line and 1330' from the East line of Section 22, T-31-N, R-6-W and was resurveyed by Meridian Oil Inc. to be at 1640' from the North line and 420' from the East line of Section 22, T-31-N, R-6-W, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico.

Attached is a copy of the plat showing the resurveyed location.

Sincerely,


Peggy Bradfield

att.

Submit to Appropriate
District Office
State Lease - 4 copies
Fee Lease - 3 copies

State of New Mexico
Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources Department

Form C-102
Revised 1-1-89

OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

P.O. Box 2088

Santa Fe, New Mexico 87504-2088

DISTRICT I

P.O. Box 1980, Hobbs, NM 88240

DISTRICT II

P.O. Drawer DD, Artesia, NM 88210

DISTRICT III

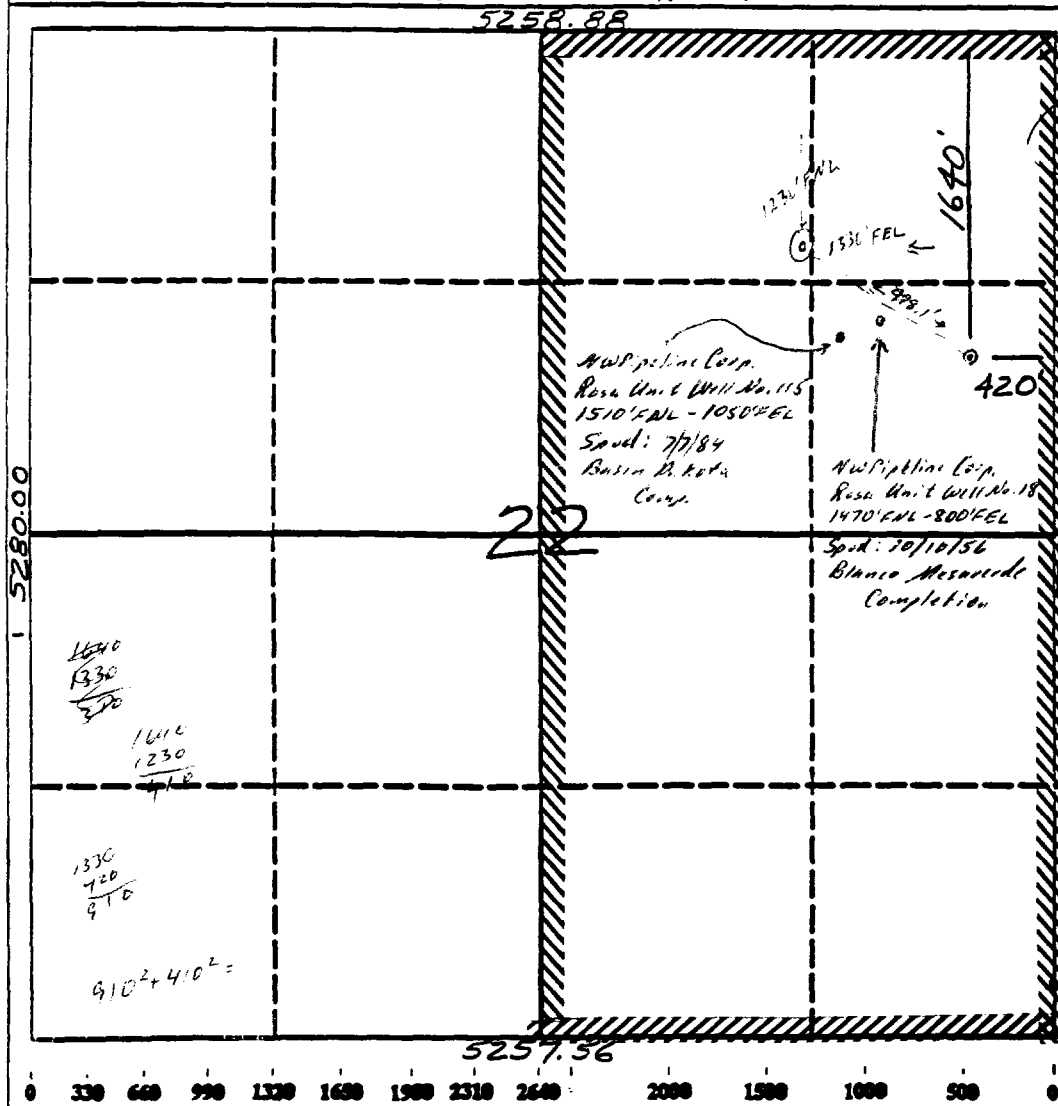
1000 Rio Brason Rd., Aztec, NM 87410

WELL LOCATION AND ACREAGE DEDICATION PLAT

All Distances must be from the outer boundaries of the section

Operator Meridian Oil Inc.		Lease Rosa Unit		Well No. 201
Unit Letter H	Section 22	Township 31 North	Range 6 West	County Rio Arriba
NMPM				
Actual Footage Location of Well: 1640 feet from the North line and 420 feet from the East line				
Ground Level Elev. 6250'	Producing Formation Fruitland Coal		Pool Basin	Dedicated Acreage 320 Acres

1. Outline the acreage dedicated to the subject well by colored pencil or ink on the plat below.
2. If more than one lease is dedicated to the well, outline each and identify the ownership thereof (both as to working interest and royalty).
3. If more than one lease of different ownership is dedicated to the well, have the interest of all owners been consolidated by communitization, unitization, force-pooling, etc.?
☒ Yes ☐ No If answer is "yes" type of consolidation unitization
If answer is "no" list the owners and tract descriptions which have actually been consolidated. (Use reverse side of this form if necessary.)
No allowable will be assigned to the well until all interests have been consolidated (by communitization, unitization, force-pooling, or otherwise) or until a non-standard unit, eliminating such interest, has been approved by the Division.



OPERATOR CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the information contained herein is true and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Peggy Bradfield
Signature

Peggy Bradfield

Printed Name
Regulatory Affairs

Position
Meridian Oil Inc.

Company
3-28-90

Date

SURVEYOR CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the well location shown on this plat was plotted from field notes of actual surveys made by me or under my supervision, and that the same is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

NEALE C. EDWARDS
Date Surveyed
NEALE C. EDWARDS

Signature of Sealed Professional Surveyor
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REGISTERED LAND SURVEYOR
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