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January 25, 1996

Meridian Oil Inc. Building Six 3300 North "A" Midland, TX 79705

Attention: Mr. Don Davis Regional Landman

> RE: Meridian-Rhodes "B" #7 Unit C-Sec.26, 26-S, 37-E, Lea County, NM

Gentlemen:

It is my understanding that Meridian is completing its above noted well at an unorthodox location offsetting the Hartman-"Dublin" lease consisting of E/2 SW/4 Section 23, 26-S, 37-E. I am one of the owners of the Dublin lease and I was not notified of the application to drill. I have checked and even Doyle Hartman who is the operator of the Dublin lease was not given notice that this well was to be drilled.

This is your notice that I have not been contacted at all as an offset leasehold owner.

Very truly yours,

James A. Davidson

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cc: VMr. Jerry Sexton - N.M.O.C.D.-Box 1980-Hobbs, NM 88241-1980 Mr. Doyle Hartman-Dallas

