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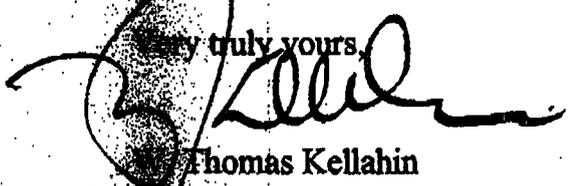
Ms. Lori Wrotenbery, Director
Oil Conservation Division
1220 South St. Francis Drive
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505

Re: REQUEST FOR CONTINUANCE
NMOCD Case 12776 Reopened (Order R-11723)
Application of OXY USA Inc., for
Special rules and regulations for
East Penasco Draw Upper Pool
Engelbert Well No. 1 (Unit D)
SE/4 of Section 15, T9S, R25E,
Eddy County, New Mexico

Dear Ms. Wrotenbery:

On behalf of OXY USA, Inc, the original applicant in this case, we request that the referenced case currently scheduled for hearing on the October 23, 2003 Examiner's docket be continued until the Examiner's docket scheduled for November 6, 2003 at which time OXY believes it will be ready to demonstrate that these rules should be made permanent. There are no other parties that have entered and application.

Very truly yours,



Thomas Kellahin

Cfx: OXY USA, Inc.
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