NEW MEXICO ENERGY, MINERALS AND NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT

## OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

December 18, 1995

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Dear Mr. Carr:

Based upon the reasons stated in your letter of December 13, 1995, and in accordance with the provisions of Division Order No. R-10496, Nearburg Exploration Company is hereby granted an extension of time until April 1, 1996, in which to begin the well pooled by said order.

Sincerely, WILLIAM J. LEMAY Division Dirfctor fd/ cc: Case No. 11287 OCD - Hobbs

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Oil Conservation Division Case No. 11287; (Order No. R-10496) Re: Application of Nearburg Exploration Company for Compulsory Pooling, Directional Drilling and an Unorthodox Bottomhole Oil Well Location. Lea County, New Mexico

Dear Mr. LeMay:

On October 30, 1995, the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division entered Order R-10496 granting the application of Nearburg Exploration Company in the above-referenced case. This letter requires the operator to commence the drilling of the well authorized on or before January 1, 1996 or the Order is null and void unless the operator obtains a time extension for good cause shown.

Nearburg intends to drill a well on this acreage under the original Order entered by the Division in October, 1995, but needs an extension until April 1, 1996 to commence drilling operations. The reason for this request is that Nearburg has recently completed its Byers 12 N, an offsetting well in the Strawn formation, on which it is conducting a 30-day pressure build up test. Extending pooling Order R-10496 for ninety (90) days will enable Nearburg to review the data it is acquiring on the Byers 12 N prior to commencing a well in the N/2 NW/4 of Section 13, Township 17 South, Range 37 East.

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Your attention to this request is appreciated.

Very truly yours,

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