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Re: Application of Amerada Hess Corporation for an unorthodox well location, Lea County, New Mexico

Dear Mr. LeMay:

Enclosed in triplicate is the Application of Amerada Hess Corporation in the above-referenced case as well as a copy of a legal advertisement. Amerada Hess Corporation requests that this matter be set for hearing before a Division Examiner on July 25, 1996.

Your attention to this request is appreciated.

Very truly yours,

WILLIAM F. CARR

WFC:mlh Enclosures

cc: Mr. Larry Angle (w/enclosures)

Amerada Hess Corporation

Post Office Box 2040

Houston, TX 77252-2040

CASE:	Application of Amerada Hess Corporation for an unorthodox well location, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant seeks authority to drill its Vinson No. 1 Well as a wildcat well to the McKee and Ellenburger formations, at an unorthodox location 210 feet from the South line and 2520 feet from the East line (Unit N) of Section 4, Township 20 South, Range 38 East, N.M.P.M., Lea County, New Mexico. The SE/4 SW/4 of Section 4 is to be dedicated to said well forming a standard 40-acre spacing and proration unit. Said unit is located approximately
	spacing and proration unit. Said unit is located approximately miles of, New Mexico.

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