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William J. LeMay, Director Oil Conservation Division New Mexico Department of Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources 2040 South Pacheco Santa Fe, New Mexico 87503

Re: Oil Conservation Division Case No. 11688:

Application of Manzano Oil Corporation for Compulsory Pooling and an Unorthodox Well Location, Lea County, New Mexico

Dear Mr. LeMay:

Manzano Oil Corporation respectfully requests that this matter which is currently set on the Division docket for the January 9, 1997 hearings be continued to the January 23, 1997 Examiner docket.

Your attention to this matter is appreciated.

Very truly yours,

Paul R Owen

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