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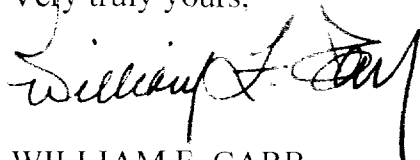
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Re: *Amended Application of Nearburg Producing Company, for Compulsory
Pooling, Lea County, New Mexico*

Dear Mr. LeMay:

Enclosed in triplicate is the amended application of Nearburg Producing Company, in the above-referenced case as well as a copy of the legal advertisement. Nearburg Producing Company, requests that this matter be placed on the docket for the June 12, 1997 Examiner hearings.

Very truly yours,



WILLIAM F. CARR

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Enclosures

cc: Mr. Bob Shelton (w/enclosures)
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