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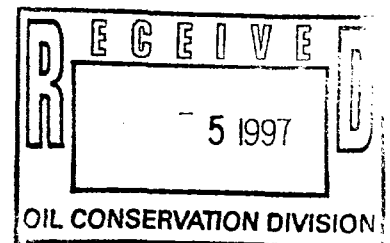
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Re: Application of Penwell Energy, Inc. for Compulsory Pooling, Eddy County,
New Mexico

Dear Mr. LeMay:

Enclosed in triplicate is the Application of Penwell Energy, Inc. in the above-referenced case as well as a copy of a legal advertisement. Penwell Energy, Inc. respectfully requests that this matter be placed on the docket for the September 18, 1997 Examiner hearings.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "William F. Carr". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large, stylized "W" and "C".

WILLIAM F. CARR

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Enclosures

cc: Mark Wheeler (w/enclosures)
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