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December 3, 1997

Mr. David R. Catanach Oil Conservation Division 2040 South Pacheco Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505

Re: NMOCD Case 11882

Application of Xeric Oil & Gas Corporation

for Compulsory Pooling Lea County, New Mexico

Re: NMOCD Case 11889

Application of Leonard Resource Investment Corporation

for compulsory pooling Lea County, New Mexico

Dear Mr. Catanach:

Xeric and Leonard Resources are attempting to settle this matter. Accordingly, on behalf of Xeric Oil & Gas Corporation I would appreciate you continuing the referenced case currently scheduled for hearing on the December 4, 1997 Examiner's docket to the docket scheduled for hearing on December 18, 1997.

W. Thomas Kellahin

cfx: James Bruce, Esq.

Attorney for Leonard Resources

cc: Xeric Oil & Gas Corporation
Attn: Bob Barnett