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> **Re:**   Case No. **11885**:   Application   of   Nearburg   Exploration
> Company, L.L.C. for compulsory pooling, Lea County, New
> Mexico.

Dear Mr. Carr:

Reference is made to your letter dated December 17, 1997 requesting a continuance in the above-described matter. Due to scheduling irregularities and Division workload this case will be continued to the **January 22, 1997** Examiners Hearing. Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

Michael E. Stogner
Chief Hearing Officer/Engineer

cc: Case File 11885
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> **Re: Oil Conservation Division Case No. 11885**
> **Application of Nearburg Exploration Company, L.L.C., for Compulsory**
> **Pooling, Lea County, New Mexico**

Dear Mr. LeMay:

Nearburg Exploration Company, L.L.C., respectfully requests that this matter which is currently set on the Division docket for the December 18, 1997 hearings be continued to the January 8, 1998 Examiner docket.

Your attention to this matter is appreciated.

Very truly yours,

WILLIAM F. CARR , for

WFC/edr
cc: Mr. Duke Roush