

EXHIBIT A

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Attn: R. C. Beveridge

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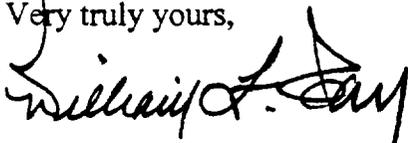
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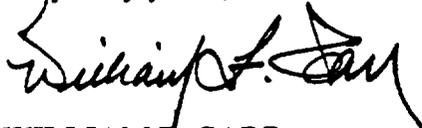
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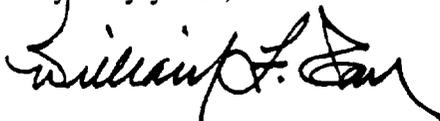
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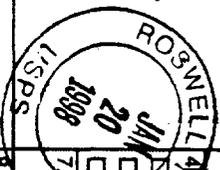
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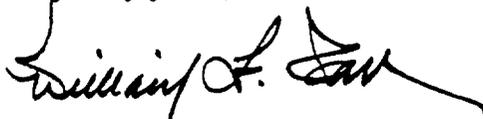
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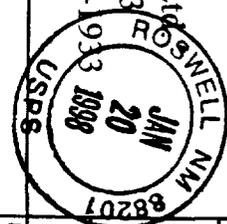
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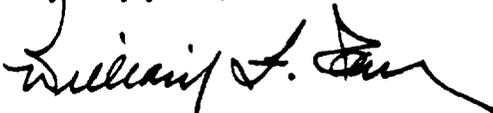
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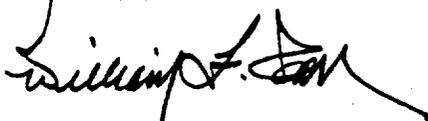
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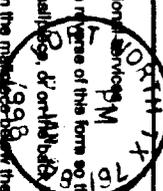


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Re: Application of Nearburg Exploration Company, L.L.C. for an unorthodox well location, Lea County, New Mexico

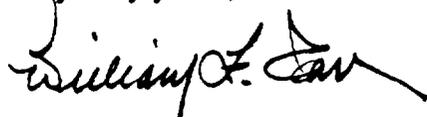
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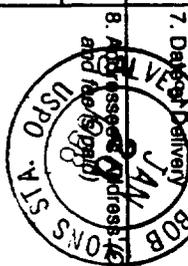
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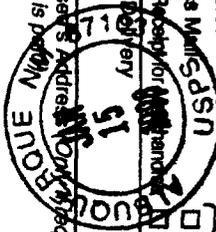
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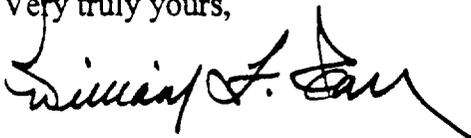
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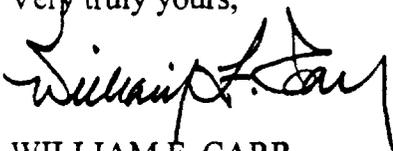
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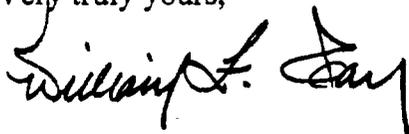
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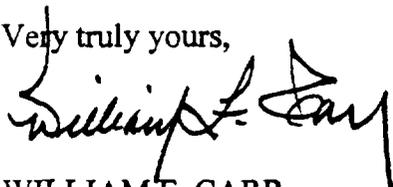
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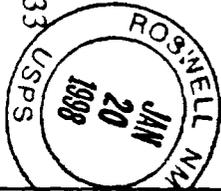
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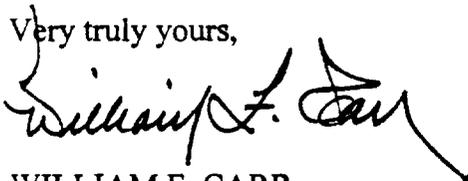
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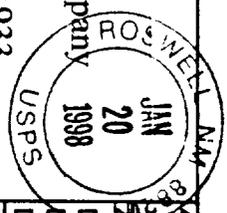
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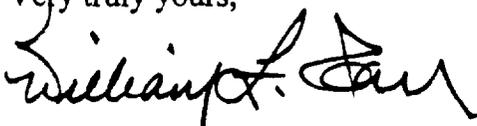
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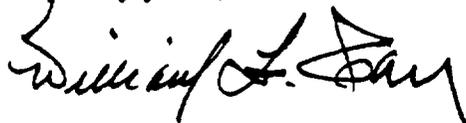
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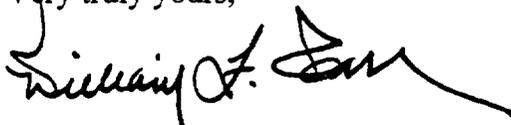
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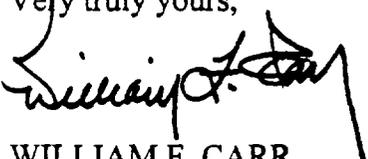
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