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December 29, 1997

TO: ALL INTERESTED PARTIES ENTITLED TO NOTICE  
OF THE HEARING OF THE FOLLOWING NEW MEXICO  
OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION CASE:

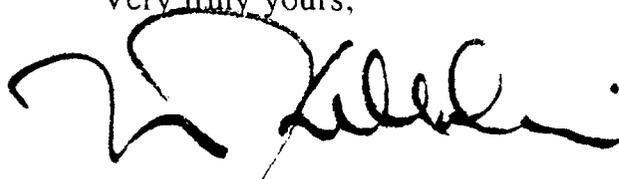
*Re: Application of Marathon Oil Company  
for Compulsory Pooling  
Eddy County, New Mexico*

On behalf of Marathon Oil Company, please find enclosed our application for an compulsory pooling for its Garvin "22" State Well No. 1 which has been set for hearing on the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division Examiner's docket now scheduled for January 22, 1998. The hearing will be held at the Division hearing room located at 2040 South Pacheco, Santa Fe, New Mexico.

As an interest owner who may be affected by this application, we are notifying you of your right to appear at the hearing and participate in this case, including the right to present evidence either in support of or in opposition to the application. Failure to appear at the hearing may preclude you from any involvement in this case at a later date.

Pursuant to the Division's Memorandum 2-90, you are further notified that if you desire to appear in this case, then you are requested to file a Pre-Hearing Statement with the Division not later than 4:00 PM on Friday, January 16, 1998, with a copy delivered to the undersigned. If you have any questions about this case you may contact Thomas C. Lowry, Esq. at Marathon Oil Company (915) 687-8144.

Very truly yours,



W. Thomas Kellahin

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