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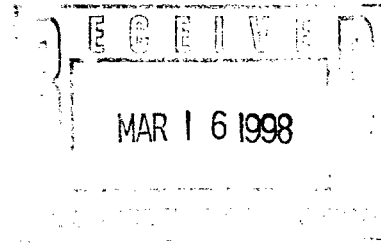
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March 16, 1998

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Re: **MOTION TO DISMISS** Case 11926
Application of KCS Medallion Resources, Inc.
for Compulsory Pooling, Eddy County, New Mexico

Gentlemen:

On behalf of OXY USA Inc. I have been informed that the Bureau of Land Management ("BLM") has rejected KCS Medallion Resources, Inc. request to communitize the W/2 of Section 33, T19S, R28E, Eddy County, New Mexico.

This action by the BLM in exercising its jurisdiction over this federal oil and gas lease, has made moot Division Case 11926. Accordingly, OXY moves that the Division dismiss Case 11926 as set forth in the enclosed Motion to Dismiss. This case is currently set for hearing on the Examiner's Docket scheduled for March 19, 1998.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read 'W. Thomas Kellahin'. The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the printed name.

W. Thomas Kellahin

cc: James Bruce, Esq., Attorney for applicant
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