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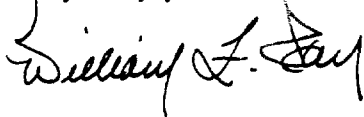
Re: ***Oil Conservation Division Case No. 11976:
Application of Nearburg Exploration Company, L.L.C. for Compulsory
Pooling and an Unorthodox Well Location, Lea County, New Mexico***

Dear Ms Wrotenbery:

Nearburg Exploration Company, L.L.C. respectfully requests that the above-referenced hearing in this case which is currently set on the October 22, 1998 Examiner docket be dismissed.

Your attention to this request is appreciated.

Very truly yours,



WILLIAM F. CARR
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cc: Mr. Bob Shelton

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