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Re: Oil Conservation Division Case No. 12018:

Application of Bahlburg Exploration Inc. for Compulsory Pooling and Directional Drilling, Lea County, New Mexico

Dear Ms Wrotenbery:

Bahlburg Exploration Inc., respectfully requests that this matter which is currently set on the Division docket for the July 23, 1998 Examiner hearings be dismissed.

Your attention to this matter is appreciated.

Very truly yours,

WILLIAM F. CARR

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cc: Mr. Bill Bahlburg

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