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Lori Wrotenbery, Director
Oil Conservation Division
New Mexico Department of Energy,
Minerals and Natural Resources
2040 South Pacheco
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87503

OIL CONSERVATION DIV.
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Re: ***Oil Conservation Division Case No. 12034:
Application of Matador Petroleum Corporation for Approval of an
Unorthodox Gas Well Location and to Amend Order No. R-10872-B to
Approve a Standard 600.01-Acre Gas Spacing and Proration Unit, Eddy
County, New Mexico***

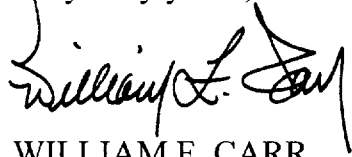
Dear Ms Wrotenbery:

Texaco Exploration and Production Inc., respectfully requests that this matter which is currently set for hearing on October 8, 1998 be continued to the November 5, 1998 Examiner hearing docket. Case No. 12051, application of Texaco Exploration and Production Inc. for compulsory pooling, an unorthodox gas well location and non-standard spacing and proration units, Eddy County, New Mexico, is currently set for hearing on November 5, 1998 and is a companion case to Matador's application. Neither Jim Bruce, attorney for Mewbourne Oil Company nor, Tom Kellahin, attorney for Matador oppose this request for continuance.

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Your attention to this matter is appreciated.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "William F. Carr". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "W" and a stylized "C" at the end.

WILLIAM F. CARR
WFC:mlh

cc: Mr. David Sleeper
W. Thomas Kellahin, Esq.
James Bruce, Esq.