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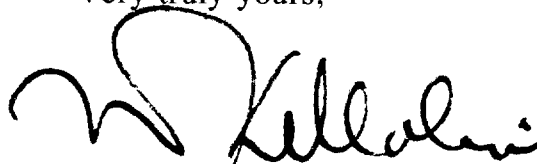
Mr. Mark Ashley
Oil Conservation Division
2040 South Pacheco
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505

Re: NMOCD Case 12067
Application of Nearburg Exploration Company, L.L.C.
for Compulsory Pooling, (Rancho Bonito "15" State Com No. 1)
E/2 Section 15, T16S, R32E
Lea County, New Mexico

Dear Mr. Ashley:

On behalf of Nearburg Exploration Company, L.L.C., I would appreciate you **dismissing** the referenced case currently scheduled for hearing on the November 19, 1998 Examiner's docket.

Very truly yours,



W. Thomas Kellahin

cfx: Nearburg Exploration Company, L.L.C.
Attn: Mike Gray

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