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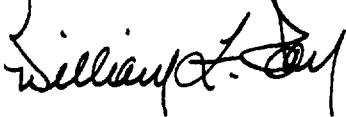
Re: ***Oil Conservation Division Case No. 12101:  
Application of Nearburg Exploration Company, L.L.C. for Compulsory  
Pooling, Eddy County, New Mexico***

Dear Ms Wrotenbery:

Nearburg Exploration Company, L.L.C., respectfully requests that this matter which is currently set on the Division docket for the January 7, 1999 hearings be continued to the February 4, 1999 Examiner docket.

Your attention to this matter is appreciated.

Very truly yours,



WILLIAM F. CARR

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cc: Mr. Duke Roush