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Re: Oil Conservation Division Case No. 12132:

Application of Nearburg Exploration Company, L.L.C. for Pool Creation and Special Pool Rules, Lea 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 March 4, 1999 hearings be continued to the March 18, 1999 Examiner docket.

Your attention to this matter is appreciated.

Very truly yours,

WILLIAM F. CARR

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cc: Mr. Mike Gray

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