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Lori Wrotenbery, Director Oil Conservation Division 2040 South Pacheco Street Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505

Re: <u>Case No. 12186</u> (De Novo) Application of Chesapeake Operating Inc. for compulsory pooling, Lea County, New Mexico

Dear Ms. Wrotenbery:

Ameristate Oil and Gas, Inc., requests that the above referenced case be continued to the November, 1999 Oil Conservation Commission hearing docket.

Your assistance with this matter is appreciated.

William F. Carr

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cc: W. Thomas Kellahin, Esq.