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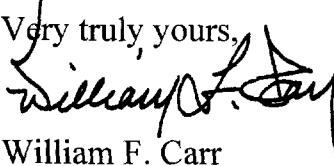
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Re: Case No. 12286. Application of Nearburg Exploration company, L.L.C. for
an unorthodox well location, Eddy County, New Mexico.

Dear Mr. Ashley:

Enclosed for your consideration in hard copy and on disc is Nearburg Exploration Company,
L.L.C.'s Proposed Order in the above referenced case.

If you need anything further from Nearburg to proceed with your consideration of this
application, please advise.

Very truly yours,

William F. Carr

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Enclosure

cc: Mr. Bob Shelton, Nearburg Exploration Company