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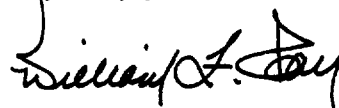
Lori Wrotenbery, Director
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2040 South Pacheco Street
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505

Re: Application of Ameristate Oil & Gas, Inc. for Compulsory Pooling, Lea
County, New Mexico

Dear Ms. Wrotenbery:

Enclosed in triplicate is an Application of Ameristate Oil & Gas, Inc. in the above-referenced case as well as a copy of a legal advertisement. Ameristate Oil & Gas, Inc. respectfully requests that this matter be placed on the docket for the January 20, 1000 Examiner hearings.

Very truly yours,



William F. Carr

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Enclosures

cc: Mr. Mark Nearburg
Ameristate Oil & Gas, Inc.