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**VIA HAND DELIVERY**

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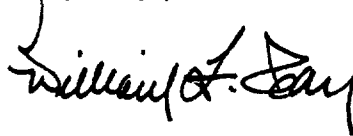
***Re: In the matter of Case 12455: The Application of Nearburg Exploration Company, L.L.C. for compulsory pooling and an unorthodox well location, Eddy County, New Mexico.***

Dear Ms. Wrotenbery,

Nearburg Exploration Company, L.L.C. hereby requests that the above-referenced case be dismissed.

Your attention to this request is appreciated.

Very truly yours,



William F. Carr

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cc: Mark Wheeler