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Mr. J. Scott Hall Miller, Stratvert & Torgerson Attorneys at Law Post Office Box 1986 Santa Fe, New Mexico 87504-1986

Dear Mr. Hall:

Based upon the reasons stated in your letter of October 18, 2000, and in accordance with the provisions of Division Order No R-11437, Nearburg Exploration Company, LLC is hereby granted an extension of time until February 20, 2001, in which to commence drilling the well pooled by this order.

Sincerely,

LOR WROTENBERY

Division Director

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cc: Case No. 12465 OCD - Artesia 

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October 18, 2000

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

Re: MOCD Case No. 12456; Application of Nearburg Exploration Company, LLC for

Compulsory Pooling, Eddy County, New Mexico; Order No. R-11437

Dear Ms. Wrotenbery:

The above order issued on August 23, 2000, provides that its pooling provisions shall be of no effect in the event the operator does not commence drilling on or before November 20, 2000 unless the operator obtains a time extension from the Division Director. Nearburg Exploration's extensive drilling and development program in the area has made rig scheduling problematic and it is unlikely that drilling of the proposed well can be commenced by the November 20<sup>th</sup> date. Consequently, Nearburg requests that that the drilling deadline under the order be extended by ninety days from November 20, 2000.

Very Truly Yours,

MILLER, STRATVERT & TORGERSON, P.A.

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J. Scott Hall

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cc: Mark Wheeler, Nearburg Exploration LLC

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