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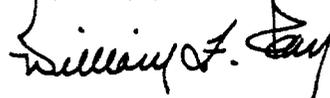
Re: Case No. 12607: Application of Nearburg Exploration Co. L.L.C. for  
Hardship Well Classification Pursuant to Division Rules 408, 409, 410  
and 412, Eddy County, New Mexico.

Dear Ms. Wrotenbery:

Nearburg Exploration Company, L.L.C. hereby requests that the above-referenced application which is currently scheduled for hearing on March 22, 2001 be continued to the April 5, 2001 Examiner Hearing docket.

Your attention to this request is appreciated.

Very truly yours,



William F. Carr

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cc: Clyde Findlay

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