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**Hand Delivered**

David K. Brooks  
Hearing Examiner  
Oil Conservation Division  
1220 South St. Francis Drive  
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505

Re: Case No. 12711; Application of David H. Arrington Oil &  
Gas Inc. ("Arrington") for compulsory pooling, Lea  
County, New Mexico

Dear Mr. Brooks:

This letter is in response to Mr. Carr's letter of August 22, 2001,  
requesting that the Division continue the above case to the  
September 20, 2001 Examiner hearing.

Arrington consents to a continuance of its case, but requests that  
the matter be continued only for 2 weeks, to the September 6, 2001  
Examiner hearing. The reasons for this request are as follows:

1. Arrington first proposed a well in the NE¼ of subject  
Section 19 in December 2000. Since that time, through  
correspondence and face-to-face meetings, it has tried to  
obtain voluntary agreement among the parties to drill the  
proposed well.
2. The parties Arrington is seeking to pool have recently  
completed a direct offset to the proposed well, and  
Arrington needs to protect its correlative rights by  
proceeding promptly with the drilling of a well in the  
NE¼ of Section 19.
3. The only party who David Petroleum Corporation *et al.*  
must notify of their pooling application is Arrington.  
Arrington hereby expressly waives the 20 day notice  
period set forth in the Division's rules. Since all  
other parties received notice of Arrington's application

three weeks ago, this matter need not wait until  
September 20th to be heard.

There is no need for further delay in this matter. However, to  
avoid duplicate hearings, Arrington will continue its case. But,  
again, Arrington requests that both cases be set for the September  
6th hearing.

Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "James Bruce". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the printed name "James Bruce".

James Bruce

cc: William F. Carr  
David H. Arrington Oil & Gas Inc.