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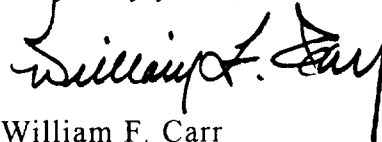
***Re: Case No. 12673: Application of Paladin Energy Corp. for  
approval an unorthodox gas well location, Lea County, New  
Mexico.***

Dear Ms. Wrotenbery:

Paladin Energy Corp. hereby requests that the Examiner Hearing in the  
above-referenced case which is currently scheduled for March 7, 2002 be  
continued to the May 2, 2002 Examiner Hearing Docket.

Your attention to this request is appreciated.

Very truly yours,



William F. Carr  
Attorney for Paladin Energy Corp.

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cc: George C. Fenton