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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 January 10, 2002 be continued to the March 7, 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