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**Re: Applications for Compulsory Pooling affections Section 25-16S-35E, Lea  
County, New Mexico:  
Cases No. 12816, 12851, 12859 and 12860**

Gentlemen:

I am in receipt of Ocean's request to advance the scheduled pre-hearing conference to May 7. Unfortunately due to my unavailability that week, I cannot accommodate their request.

Should you have any questions, please call me at (505)-476-3450.

Very truly yours,

  
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**Via Fax**

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Re: Case Nos. 12816, 12841, 12859, and 12860

Dear Mr. Brooks:

I am available for a pre-hearing conference on May 14th. However, due to Ocean's time constraints in drilling under its farmout, it respectfully requests that the matter be moved up one week: That is, Ocean requests a pre-hearing conference on the afternoon of Tuesday, May 7th, with a special hearing date on May 9th (and 10th, if necessary). Your consideration of this request is appreciated.

Very truly yours,



James Bruce

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