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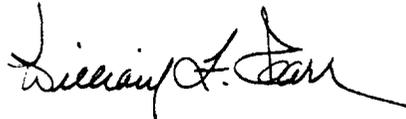
William J. LeMay, Director  
Oil Conservation Division  
New Mexico Department of Energy,  
Minerals and Natural Resources  
2040 South Pacheco Street  
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505

Re: **Application of Texaco Exploration and Production, Inc.  
for Compulsory Pooling  
SW/4, Section 23, Township 26 South, Range 37 East,  
Lea County, New Mexico**

Dear Mr. LeMay:

By letters dated January 23 and 31, 1996, Michael J. Condon, attorney for Doyle Hartman, Oil Operator, requested that the above-referenced application be continued from the February 22, 1996 examiner hearing docket. Texaco Exploration and Production Inc. agrees to continue the hearing on this application until the examiner hearing scheduled for March 21, 1996 and requests that this application as well as Mr. Hartman's pooling application for this acreage be set on the same docket.

Very truly yours,



William F. Carr  
Attorney for  
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