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William J. LeMay, Director
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2040 South Pacheco Street
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505

Re: Continuance - Application of Penwell Energy, Inc. for Compulsory Pooling,
Eddy County, New Mexico
Case No.: 11647

Dear Mr. LeMay:

Penwell Energy, Inc. requests that the above-captioned case, which is currently scheduled to be heard at the November 7, 1996 Examiner hearings be continued until the November 21, 1996 hearings.

Very truly yours,


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cc: Mark Wheeler