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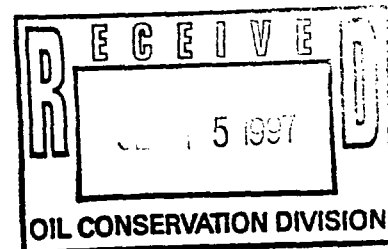
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HAND DELIVERED

Mr. Michael E. Stogner
Hearing Examiner
Oil Conservation Division
New Mexico Department of Energy,
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2040 South Pacheco Street
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Re: *Oil Conservation Division Case 11649:*
Application of Nearburg Exploration Company, L.L.C. for Compulsory
Pooling, Eddy County, New Mexico

Oil Conservation Division Case 11797:
Application of Nearburg Producing Company for Compulsory Pooling, Lea
County, New Mexico

Dear Mr. Stogner:

I have discussed the above referenced applications with representatives of Nearburg Exploration Company. Nearburg hereby requests that each of these cases be dismissed. Nearburg may refile either of these applications at a later date.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "William F. Carr".

WILLIAM F. CARR

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cc: Mr. Bob Shelton