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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: Oil Conservation Division Case No. 11656:
Application of Texaco Exploration and Production Inc. for Compulsory
Pooling, a High Angle/Horizontal Directional Drilling Pilot Project and
Special Operating Rules Therefor, Lea County, New Mexico

Dear Mr. LeMay:

Texaco Exploration and Production Inc. respectfully requests that this matter which is currently set on the Division docket for the November 21, 1996 hearings be continued to the December 5, 1996 Examiner docket.

Your attention to this matter is appreciated.

Very truly yours,

WILLIAM F. CARR

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cc: Mr. Ron Lanning