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December 18, 1996

TO: ALL INTERESTED PARTIES ENTITLED TO NOTICE
OF THE HEARING OF THE FOLLOWING NEW MEXICO
OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION CASE:

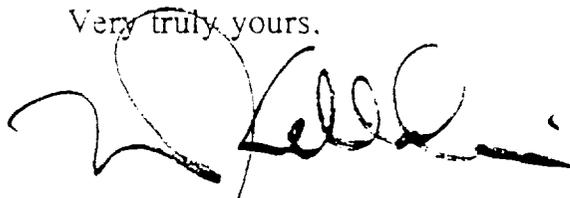
*Re: Application of Nearburg Exploration Company, L. L. C.
for Compulsory Pooling, Eddy County, New Mexico*

On behalf of Nearburg Exploration Company, L.L.C., please find enclosed our application for an compulsory pooling for its Hummer "4" State Com Well No. 1 which has been set for hearing on the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division Examiner's docket now scheduled for January 9, 1997. The hearing will be held at the Division hearing room located in Santa Fe, New Mexico.

As an interest owner who may be affected by this application, we are notifying you of your right to appear at the hearing and participate in this case, including the right to present evidence either in support of or in opposition to the application. Failure to appear at the hearing may preclude you from any involvement in this case at a later date.

Pursuant to the Division's Memorandum 2-90, you are further notified that if you desire to appear in this case, then you are requested to file a Pre-Hearing Statement with the Division not later than 4:00 PM on Friday, January 3, 1997, with a copy delivered to the undersigned.

Very truly yours,



W. Thomas Kellahin

cc: BY CERTIFIED MAIL-RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED
to all parties listed in application

EXHIBIT "A"

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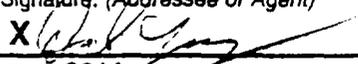
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 P. O. Box 50250
 Midland, Texas 79710
 Attn: Kent Woolley

Atlantic Richfield Company
 P. O. Box 1610
 Midland, Texas 79702

Exxon Corporation
 P. O. Box 1600
 Midland, Texas 79702

Marathon Oil Company
 P. O. Box 552
 Midland, Texas 79702-0552

Mewbourne Oil Company
 500 West Texas, Suite 1050
 Midland, Texas 79701

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