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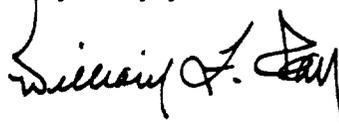
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**Re: Application of Nearburg Exploration Company, L.L.C. for
Compulsory Pooling, Lea County, New Mexico**

Dear Ms. Wrotenbery:

Enclosed in triplicate is the Application of Nearburg Exploration Company, L.L.C. in the above-referenced case as well as a copy of the legal advertisement. Nearburg Exploration Company, L.L.C., requests that this matter be placed on the docket for the January 10, 2002 Examiner hearings.

Very truly yours,



William F. Carr

Enclosures

cc: Mr. Bob Shelton (w/enclosures)