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Via Fax

David K. Brooks
Oil Conservation Division
1220 South St. Francis Drive
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505

Re: Case No. 12941; application of Mewbourne Oil Company
("Mewbourne") for compulsory pooling, Eddy County, New
Mexico

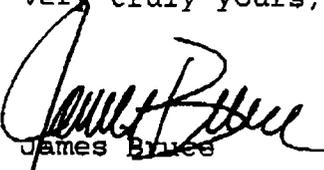
Dear Mr. Brooks:

Mewbourne requests a continuance in the above matter, to the
December 5th Examiner hearing. This would be the third continuance
of this case.

Mewbourne has come to terms with five of the parties it is seeking
to pool, and has a signed letter agreement with the remaining
party. The term assignment being negotiated under the letter
agreement is almost final, and the parties are now quibbling over
one word in the assignment. They believe they will reach
agreement, and thus would like to avoid the expense of a hearing if
possible. As a result, they request an exception to the Division's
"two continuance" rule.

Thank you for your consideration of this matter.

Very truly yours,



James Bruce

Attorney for Mewbourne Oil Company