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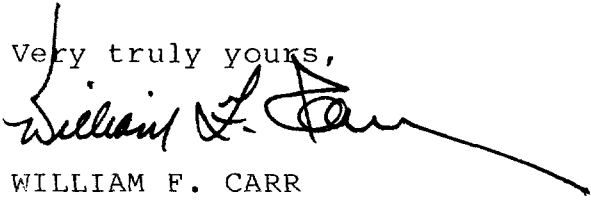
OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

Re: Oil Conservation Division Case No. 9095: Application of Curtis J. Little for the Promulgation of Special Pool Rules for the Ojito Gallup-Dakota Oil Pool or, in the Alternative, to Abolish the Ojito Gallup-Dakota Oil Pool and to Concomitantly expand the West Lindrith Gallup-Dakota Oil Pool, Rio Arriba and Sandoval Counties, New Mexico.

Dear Mr. LeMay:

Enclosed herewith is an Entry of Appearance on behalf of T. H. McElvain Oil and Gas Properties to be filed in the above-referenced case.

Very truly yours,

  
WILLIAM F. CARR

WFC/ab  
Enclosure

BEFORE THE  
OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION  
NEW MEXICO DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY AND MINERALS

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF  
CURTIS J. LITTLE FOR THE PROMULGATION  
OF SPECIAL POOL RULES FOR THE OJITO  
GALLUP-DAKOTA OIL POOL OR, IN THE  
ALTERNATIVE, TO ABOLISH THE OJITO  
GALLUP-DAKOTA OIL POOL AND TO CON-  
COMITANTLY EXPAND THE WEST LINDRITH  
GALLUP-DAKOTA OIL POOL, RIO ARRIBA  
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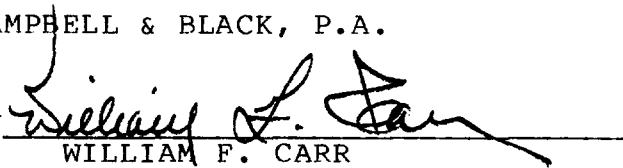
ENTRY OF APPEARANCE

COMES NOW CAMPBELL & BLACK, P.A. and hereby enters its  
appearance in the above-referenced case on behalf of T. H.  
McELVAIN OIL AND GAS PROPERTIES.

Respectfully submitted,

CAMPBELL & BLACK, P.A.

By



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OIL AND GAS PROPERTIES

Case 9095  
file

STATE OF NEW MEXICO

ENERGY AND MINERALS DEPARTMENT  
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Mr. A. R. Kendrick  
P. O. Box 516  
Aztec, New Mexico 87410

Re: Spacing of Gallup-Dakota Wells in  
T-25-N, R-3-W

Dear Mr. Kendrick:

Your letter of July 22 has been received and reviewed together with Mr. Busch's memorandum and the file in Case 9095. It is hoped that the August 10 meeting will provide a basis for creating a more orderly pool nomenclature and well spacing out of what appears to be a confused situation.

Should that confusion appear to be best resolved by a multiple pool redefinition, my staff will certainly undertake the task of presenting the proposal. We hope that such redefinition will also satisfy your client's needs.

Thank you for your letter and we appreciate your concern.

Sincerely,

WILLIAM J. LEMAY,  
Director

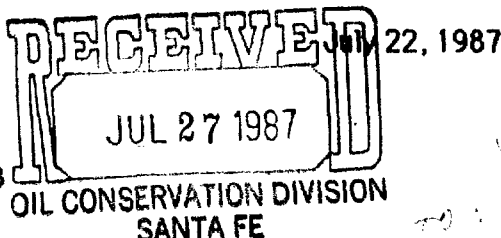
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cc: Tom Kellahin  
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**A. R. KENDRICK**

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Mr. William LeMay  
Oil Conservation Division  
P.O. Box 2088  
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87504-2088



Re: Spacing of Gallup-Dakota wells in T25N, R3W

Dear Mr. LeMay:

Mr. Ernie Busch's Memorandum 2-87-20, dated July 21, 1987, brings to light another delay in the spacing of wells in Township 25 North, Range 3 West.

Delays have already caused the drilling of two unnecessary wells in Section 1 in the Ojito Gallup-Dakota Pool, and further delay will cause at least one and possibly more additional unnecessary wells to be required. (Our cost estimate is approximately \$500,000 per well.)

We hope that your staff will call a case to cover the situation, and that the case will be heard as soon as possible after the meeting on August 10, 1987. The advertisement of the case can be done before the meeting.

If your case can cover the Ojito Gallup-Dakota Oil Pool, Case 9095 (de novo) can be dismissed after your case is heard.

Winter is approaching — time and weather are very important factors.

Yours very truly,

A. R. Kendrick

xc w/Encl: Amoco Production Company  
ARCO Oil & Gas Company  
Dugan Production Corporation  
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Union Texas Petroleum Corporation

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M-E-M-O-R-A-N-D-U-M (2-87-20)

TO: OPERATORS IN THE WEST LINDRITH-GALLUP/DAKOTA,  
OJITO-GALLUP/DAKOTA AND ROW OF SECTIONS ALONG  
THE WEST BOUNDARY OF THE GAVILAN-MANCOS AND  
GAVILAN-GREENHORN-GRANEROS-DAKOTA POOLS.

FROM: Ernie Busch, District III Geologist *EB*

SUBJECT: Operators Meeting to Discuss Spacing

DATE: July 21, 1987

You are invited to participate in an informal meeting to be held at San Juan College in room 1001 in Farmington August 10, 1987, at 9:00 A.M. to discuss the orderly development at the juncture of the West Lindrith-Gallup/Dakota and Ojito-Gallup/Dakota with the Gavilan-Mancos and Gavilan-Greenhorn-Graneros-Dakota Pools. Please bring proposals of future development plans that your company is considering.

If you have any questions, please contact me.

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