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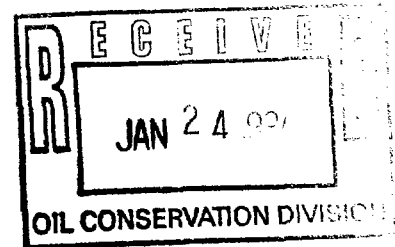
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January 24, 1994

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Mr. William J. LeMay
Oil Conservation Division
310 Old Santa Fe Trail, Room 219
P. O. Box 2088
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87501

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Re: Stinking Draw No. 1 Well
36-T20-1/2S, R23E, NMPM
Application of Marathon Oil Company
for Compulsory Pooling, including a possible
Unorthodox Well location and a Non-Standard Gas
Proration and Spacing Unit,
Eddy County, New Mexico

Dear Mr. LeMay:

On behalf of Marathon Oil Company, please find enclosed our application for compulsory pooling, including a possible non-standard proration unit, which we request be set for hearing on the Examiner's docket now scheduled for February 17, 1994.

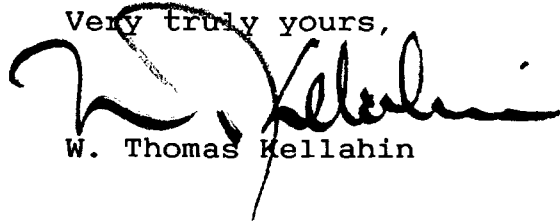
Also enclosed is our proposed notice of publication for this case.

By copy of this letter, including the application, to all affected parties, we are notifying them by certified mail-return receipt requested, that they have the right to appear at the hearing, to make a statement to the Division, to present evidence and cross-examine witnesses either in support of or in opposition to the application.

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Pursuant to the Division's Memorandum 2-90, all interested parties are hereby informed that if they appear in the case, then they are requested to file a Pre-Hearing Statement with the Division not later than 4:00 pm on Friday, February 11, 1994, with a copy delivered to the undersigned.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'W. Thomas Kellahin', written over a horizontal line.

W. Thomas Kellahin

Enclosure

cc: Marathon Oil Company

BY CERTIFIED MAIL-RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

All parties listed in Paragraph 7 of the Application