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Re: NMOCD Case 11481

Application of Nearburg Exploration Company Black River "10" Federal Com Well No. 1

Eddy County, New Mexico

Dear Mr. Stogner:

On behalf of the applicant, Nearburg Exploration Company, I am requesting that the referenced case on the April 4, 1996 docket be continued until April 18th.

Very truly yours,

W. Thomas Kellahin/hh

cc: Ernie Padilla, Esq.cc: via facsimile to:

Nearburg Exploration Company

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