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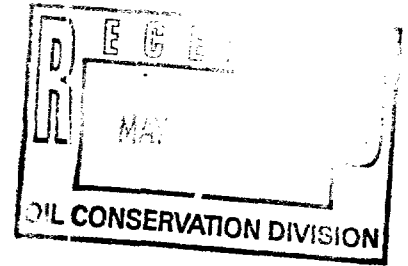
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Re: Application of Nearburg Exploration Company, L.L.C. for Compulsory
Pooling, Eddy County, New Mexico

Dear Mr. LeMay:

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., respectfully requests that this matter be placed on the docket for the June 13, 1996 Examiner hearings.

Very truly yours,

WILLIAM F. CARR

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Enclosures

cc: Mr. Bob Shelton (w/enclosures)
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