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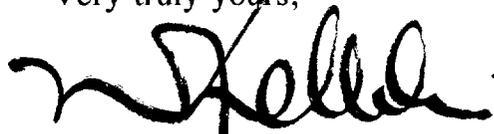
Mr. Michael E. Stogner
Chief Hearing Examiner
Oil Conservation Division
2040 South Pacheco
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505

Re: NMOCD Case 11564
Black River "3" Federal Com Well. 1
Application of Nearburg Exploration Company
for an Unorthodox Gas Location
Eddy County, New Mexico

Dear Mr. Stogner:

On behalf of Nearburg Exploration Company, I would appreciate you continuing the referenced case from the Examiner docket schedule for July 11, 1996 to the Examiner hearing docket now scheduled for July 25, 1996.

Very truly yours,



W. Thomas Kellahin

cc: Nearburg Exploration Company
Attn: Mike Gray