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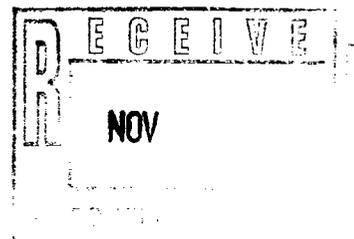
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**HAND DELIVERED**

William J. LeMay, Director  
Oil Conservation Division  
New Mexico Department of Energy,  
Minerals and Natural Resources  
2040 South Pacheco Street  
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505



Re: *Case 11648: Application of Mewbourne Oil Company for Compulsory Pooling, a Non-standard Spacing Unit and an Unorthodox Well Location, Lea County, New Mexico*

Dear Mr. LeMay:

Mewbourne Oil Company requests that the hearing in the above-referenced case which is currently scheduled for November 7, 1996 be continued to the November 21, 1996 examiner hearing docket.

On behalf of Mewbourne Oil Company, on this date, I accepted service of the October 30, 1996 Subpoena Duces Tecum which the Division issued at the request of CT-R, Ltd. As you are aware, this subpoena requires the production of a substantial amount of documents and other data and it is impossible for Mewbourne to prepare its response to this subpoena in the time provided (two business days). Mewbourne therefore requests a one week extension of the response date to November 11, 1996. Mr. Kellahin does not oppose the continuance of the hearing in this case or the requested extension of the date for responding to the CT-R, Ltd. subpoena.

William J. LeMay, Director

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Your attention to this request is appreciated.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "William F. Carr". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

WILLIAM F. CARR

Attorney for Mewbourne Oil Company

cc: W. Thomas Kellahin, Esq.  
Mr. Steve Cobb