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October 2, 1997

Mr. William J. LeMay  
Oil Conservation Division  
2040 South Pacheco  
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505

Re: NMOCD Case 11803  
McElvain "31" Federal Well. 1  
Application of Nearburg Exploration Company  
for Compulsory Pooling and a non-standard  
proration and spacing unit  
Lea County, New Mexico

Dear Mr. LeMay:

On behalf of Nearburg Exploration Company, L.L.C. I would appreciate you dismissing the referenced case which is pending hearing on the Examiner hearing docket now scheduled for October 9, 1997.

Very truly yours,



W. Thomas Kellahin

cfx: Nearburg Exploration Company  
Attn: Bob Shelton  
cfx: James Bruce, Esq.  
Attorney for Mewbourne Oil Company