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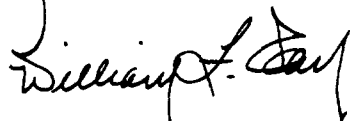
Re: Oil Conservation Division Case No. 11825:  
Application of Nearburg Exploration Company, L.L.C. for Compulsory  
Pooling and an Unorthodox Well Location, Eddy County, New Mexico

Dear Mr. LeMay:

Nearburg Exploration Company, L.L.C. respectfully requests that the above-referenced hearing in this case which is currently set on the August 7, 1997 Examiner docket be dismissed.

Your attention to this request is appreciated.

Very truly yours,



WILLIAM F. CARR  
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cc: Mr. Mike Gray  
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