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Devon Energy Corporation
20 North Broadway
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Attn: Ken Gray

Re: Application of Mewbourne Oil Company for Compulsory Pooling, Eddy County,
New Mexico

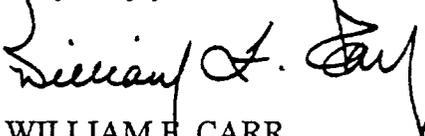
Dear Mr. Gray:

This letter is to advise you that Mewbourne Oil Company has filed the enclosed application with the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division seeking the force pooling of certain mineral interests from the surface to the base of the Morrow formation, in and under certain described spacing units in the S/2 of Section 15, Township 21 South, Range 26 East, N.M.P.M., Eddy County, New Mexico. Mewbourne Oil Company proposes to dedicate the referenced pooled unit to its Carlsbad "15" Federal Com #1 Well to be located 1980 feet from the South line and 1850 feet from the West line of said Section 15.

This application has been set for hearing before a Division Examiner on August 21, 1997. You are not required to attend this hearing, but as an owner of an interest that may be subject to pooling, or otherwise affected by this application, you may appear and present testimony. Failure to appear at that time and become a party of record will preclude you from challenging the matter at a later date.

Parties appearing in cases have been requested by the Division (Memorandum 2-90) to file a Prehearing Statement substantially in the form prescribed by the Division. Prehearing statements should be filed by 4:00 o'clock p.m. on the Friday before a scheduled hearing.

Very truly yours,



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