

EXHIBIT A

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Attn: Rob Williams

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Post Office Box 1610
Midland, TX 79702
Attn: Dennis Braaten
Lee Scarborough

Chevron U.S.A. Inc.
Post Office Box 1150
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Attn: Dave Rittersbacher

Conoco, Inc.
10 Desta Drive West
Midland, TX 79705
Attn: Jerry Hoover

**BEFORE THE
OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION**
Santa Fe, New Mexico

Case No. 11872 Exhibit No. 9

Submitted by: Me-Tex Oil & Gas, Inc.

Hearing Date: November 6, 1997

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October 16, 1997

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Re: *Application of Me-Tex Oil & Gas, Inc. for Pool Contraction, Pool Creation and Special Pool Rules, Lea County, New Mexico*

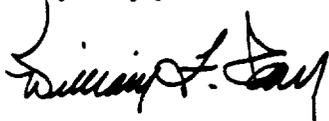
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Very truly yours,



WILLIAM F. CARR

ATTORNEY FOR ME-TEX OIL & GAS, INC.

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cc: Michael Pierce

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4a. Article Number

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4b. Service Type

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- Express Mail
- Return Receipt for Merchandise
- COD
- Certified
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7. Date of Delivery

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[Signature]

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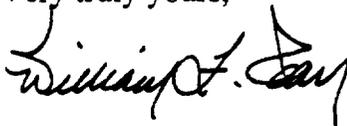
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6. Signature (Addressee or Agent)

[Handwritten Signature]

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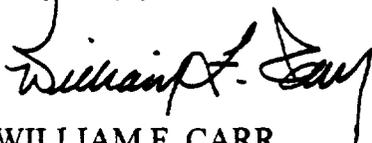
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Sheila J. Little

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X *Sheila J. Little*

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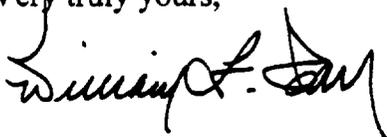
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