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VIA HAND DELIVERY

Lori Wrotenbery, Director
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**RE: CASE 12275: Application of Nearburg Exploration Company, L.L.C. for
Compulsory Pooling, Lea County, New Mexico**

Dear Ms. Wrotenbery,

Nearburg Exploration Company hereby requests that the Examiner Hearing in the above-referenced case which is currently scheduled for November 4, 1999 be continued to ~~December 2, 1999.~~

Nov. 15, 1999.

Your attention to this request is appreciated.

Very truly yours,



Paul R. Owen
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