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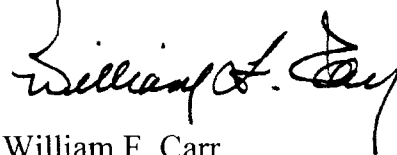
**RE: *In the matter of Case 12484: The Amended Application of McElvain Oil & Gas Properties, Inc. for Compulsory Pooling, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico.***

Dear Ms. Wrotenbery,

McElvain Oil & Gas Properties, Inc. hereby requests that the Examiner Hearing in the above-referenced case which is currently scheduled for September 21<sup>st</sup>, 2000 be continued to the October 5<sup>th</sup>, 2000 Examiner Hearing Docket.

Your attention to this request is appreciated.

Very truly yours,

  
William F. Carr

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cc: Mona Binion