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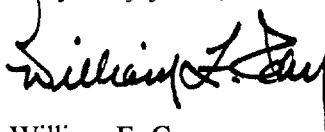
***Re: Case No. 12622: Application of Nearburg Exploration Co. L.L.C.  
for two non-standard gas spacing and proration units,  
Lea County, New Mexico***

Dear Ms. Wrotenbery:

Nearburg Exploration Company, L.L.C. hereby requests that the above-referenced application which is currently scheduled for hearing on May 17, 2001 be continued to the June 14, 2001 Examiner Hearing docket.

Your attention to this request is appreciated.

Very truly yours,



William F. Carr  
Attorney for Nearburg Exploration Co. L.L.C.

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cc: Bob Shelton