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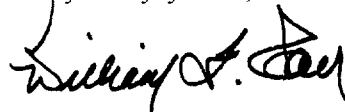
Lori Wrotenbery, Director  
Oil Conservation Division  
New Mexico Department of Energy,  
Minerals and Natural Resources  
1220 South Saint Francis Drive  
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505

Re: **Oil Conservation Division Case 12743:** Application of Texaco  
Exploration and Production Inc. for an unorthodox subsurface gas well  
location and an exception to Division Rule 104.D (3), Lea County, New  
Mexico.

Dear Ms. Wrotenbery:

Texaco Exploration and Production Inc. hereby requests that the hearing on the above-referenced application be continued to the November 1, 2001 Examiner hearing docket. Your attention to this request is appreciated.

Very truly yours,



William F. Carr

cc: Michael E. Stogner  
Hearing Examiner

Charles R. Wolle  
Texaco Exploration and Production Inc.

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