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Via Fax

David R. Brooks
Hearing Examiner
Oil Conservation Division
1220 South St. Francis Drive
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505

Re: Case No. 12753; Application of David H. Arrington Oil & Gas, Inc. ("Arrington") for compulsory pooling, Lea County, New Mexico

Dear Mr. Brooks:

Arrington requests that this matter be continued to January 10, 2002. The parties have reached verbal agreement, which needs to be formalized in writing before the case can be dismissed. Thank you.

Very truly yours,

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cc: William F. Carr