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**VIA HAND DELIVERY**

Ms. Lori Wrotenbery, Director  
Oil Conservation Division  
New Mexico Energy, Minerals &  
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1220 South St. Francis Drive  
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87504

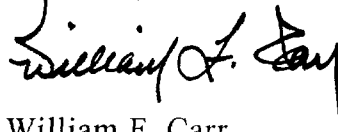
**Re: Case No. 12790: Application of Nearburg Exploration  
Company, L.L.C. for Compulsory Pooling, Lea County, New  
Mexico**

Dear Ms. Wrotenbery:

Nearburg Exploration Company, L.L.C. hereby requests that the above-referenced application, currently scheduled for hearing on April 18, 2002, be continued to the May 2, 2002, Examiner Hearing docket.

Your attention to this request is appreciated.

Very truly yours,



William F. Carr

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