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VIA HAND DELIVERY

Lori Wrotenbery, Director Oil Conservation Division New Mexico Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources Department 1220 South St. Francis Drive Santa Fe, New Mexico 87504

Re: <u>Case No. 12820</u>: Amended 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 Examiner Hearing in the above-referenced case, currently scheduled for April 4, 2002, be continued to the April 18, 2002, Examiner Hearing Docket.

Your attention to this request is appreciated.

Very truly yours,

William F. Carr I Attorney for Nearburg Exploration Company, L.L.C.

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