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1420' FSL and 1190' FEL Section 32, T23S-R 24E Eddy County, New Mexico



Sources at Yates Petroleum Corporation have relayed information to me that they believe there will not be enough H2S found while drilling to the Morrow Formation to meet the OCD's minimum requirements for the submission of a contingency plan per Rule 118.

Thank you,

YATES PETROLEUM CORPORATION

Cy Cowan

Regulatory Agent