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September 10, 2002

Yates Petroleum Corporation
105 South 4th Street
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Attn: Mr. James W. Pringle

Re: Downhole Commingling Application
Conejo "RH" State Well No. 5
Unit Letter F, Section 2-07S-25E
Pecos Slope Abo and Five Mile Draw (Penn) Pools
Chaves County, New Mexico

Dear Mr. Pringle:

This office is in receipt of your application of August 22, 2002, requesting our approval to downhole commingle the production from the above subject well from the Pecos Slope Abo and Five Mile Draw (Penn) Pools in Chaves County, New Mexico.

It is our understanding that production from the subject well will be allocated as follows:

<u>POOL</u>	<u>ALLOCATION</u>	
	<u>Oil %</u>	<u>Gas %</u>
Pecos Slope Abo	0 %	85 %
Five Mile Draw (Penn)	0 %	15 %
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Since it appears that there will be no loss of revenue to the State of New Mexico as a result of your proposed operation, your request for downhole commingling the production from the above-mentioned well is hereby approved. Any deviation from the substance of your request will be sufficient grounds for rescinding our approval. Our approval is subject to like approval by the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division.

Your filing fee in the amount of \$30.00 has been received.

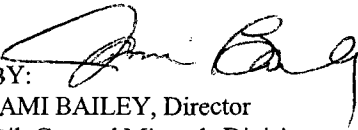
Also, please submit a copy of the Oil Conservation Division's approval order.

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If you have any questions or if we may be of further help, please contact Pete Martinez at (505) 827-5791.

Very truly yours,

RAY POWELL, M.S., D.V.M.
COMMISSIONER OF PUBLIC LANDS

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Enclosure

xc: Reader File

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