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New Mexico Oil Conservation Division
1220 South St. Francis Drive
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505
Attention: Michael E. Stogner

Subject: Application by C. W. Trainer
Non-Standard Spacing and Proration Unit
Vandiver Well No. 1
Township 18 South, Range 26 East, N. M. P. M
Section 18: Lot 4 and SE/4 SW/4 (S/2 SW/4)
Eddy County, New Mexico

Dear Sir:

Yates Petroleum hereby protests the referenced application of C. W. Trainer for non-standard spacing and for a non-standard proration unit in the S/2 SW/4 of Section 18 of Township 18S-26E in Eddy County, New Mexico.

I believe there is some confusion here. Yates Petroleum owns and operates the Vandiver Com #1 well (API = 30-015-20783) in the SW/4 SW/4 of Section 18-18S-26E. Since there are a number of wells in the immediate vicinity with the Vandiver name, it is possible that Mr. Trainer wants to respace a different "Vandiver Well No. 1" at a slightly different location.

Until the confusion dissipates, Yates feels it must protest the Trainer application as submitted since Yates does not want the spacing and proration unit changed at the Yates Vandiver Com #1 in SW/4 SW/4 of Section 18.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Dave Boneau
Engineering Manager

BEFORE THE OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION
Santa Fe, New Mexico
Case No. 13270 Exhibit No. 1
Submitted by:
YATES PETROLEUM CORPORATION
Hearing Date: July 8, 2004

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