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1 MR. CARR: Mr. Examiner, could I request that we
2 go out of order for one moment? There is a case on the
3 docket for Yates that I would like to request be
4 continued.

5 HEARING EXAMINER: Okay. Which case is that?

6 MR. CARR: This, sir, is -- it's on the last
7 page, the 20th case on the docket, Case 13940.

8 MR. BRUCE: And I concur in Mr. Carr's request.

9 HEARING EXAMINER: You'd like to continue that
10 case?

11 MR. CARR: Mr. Examiner, I've requested that
12 this case be continued for three months. This is the last
13 remnant of a long fight that was very good for the lawyers
14 on both sides between Yates Petroleum Corporation and
15 Pride Energy Company.

16 And where it stands now is that I think all
17 issues have been resolved, and, as a matter of fact, has
18 been settled. But this one well on the Yates property was
19 operated by Pride.

20 Pride is prepared to plug the well, and that is
21 what this is all about. But we have one problem, we can't
22 get an approval for the plugging program from the OCD.

23 And so we would like to bump it for -- if we
24 can, continue it for three months. And anything that
25 anyone could do to help us get this approved so we could

1 get it wrapped up would be appreciated.

2 HEARING EXAMINER: Well, I'd like to be able to
3 do that. Because here is the file folder. And you can
4 see that it's been around for so long --

5 MR. CARR: Yes.

6 HEARING EXAMINER: If we continue to dismiss
7 it --

8 MR. BRUCE: Two things, Mr. Examiner. It's not
9 just the plugging proposal, I believe it's also the site
10 cleanup. And that is probably the more time consuming
11 part.

12 And the other thing is that the whole case was
13 much more financially remunerative to Mr. Carr than it was
14 to Mr. -- Me.

15 HEARING EXAMINER: Now, what exactly is it,
16 Mr. Carr, that we're waiting for from the OCD?

17 MR. CARR: This case seeks an order requiring
18 Pride to plug and abandon and clean up the site. They're
19 willing to do that and they said they have filed a plan to
20 do that with the OCD, but they're not authorized to go
21 forward until they get that plan approved. And so that's
22 all it takes.

23 HEARING EXAMINER: Okay. All right. We'll
24 continue that out three months. And I don't have the
25 schedule here. I don't know what --

1 MR. CARR: That's all right. And hopefully
2 we'll be able to, by that time, have a letter in place.

3 HEARING EXAMINER: Okay. All right. I'll get
4 with Floreen on that. Thank you.

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I do hereby certify that the foregoing is
a complete record of the proceedings in
the Examiner hearing of Case No. _____
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_____, Examiner
Oil Conservation Division