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Ms. Joanna Prukop, Acting Director
Oil Conservation Division
New Mexico Department of Energy,
Minerals and Natural Resources
1220 South Saint Francis Drive
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Re: Application of Platinum Exploration, Inc. for salt water disposal, Huber State Well No. 1 located 330 feet from the North line and 1150 feet from the East line of Section 5, Township 16 South, Range 38 East, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico.

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Dear Secretary Prukop:

Yates Petroleum Corporation hereby objects to above-referenced application file by Platinum Exploration seeking authorization to inject salt water in the Platinum Exploration, Inc. Huber State Well No. 1 located 330 feet from the North line and 1150 feet from the East line of Section 5, Township 16 South, Range 38 East, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico.

Yates Petroleum Corporation requests that this application be set for hearing before a Division examiner. Your attention to this matter is appreciated.

Very truly yours,

William F. Carr

cc: Ms. Kathy Porter
Yates Petroleum Corporation

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