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April 11, 2008

Yates Petroleum Corporation 105 South 4th Street Artesia, New Mexico 88210-2118

Attn:

Ms. Bonnie Floore

Re:

2007 Plan of Development

Samuel Smith Unit

Eddy County, New Mexico

Dear Ms. Floore:

The Commissioner of Public Lands has, of this date, approved the referenced Plan of Development. Our approval is subject to like approval by all other appropriate agencies. The possibility of drainage by wells outside the unit area, and the need for further development of the unit may exist; therefore, we may contact you at a later date regarding these possibilities.

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

Very truly yours,

PATRICK H. LYONS

COMMISSIONER OF PUBLIC LANDS

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