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December 1, 2008

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

Attn: Ms. Barbara Nelson

Re: Voluntary Termination

> Azure State Exploratory Unit Lea County, New Mexico

Dear Ms. Nelson:

Your letter of November 18, 2008 has been received by this office. As operator of the captioned unit, your letter requests the voluntary termination of the Azure State Exploratory Unit Agreement. Enclosed with your letter of November 18, 2008 are ratifications of over 99% of the working interest owners requesting the unit termination.

Pursuant to Article 17 of the Azure State Exploratory Unit Agreement, please be advised that this office has terminated the Azure State Exploratory Unit Agreement effective December 1, 2008.

Please notify all interested parties of this action.

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

JAMI BAILEY, Director

Oil, Gas & Minerals Division

PL/JB/pm

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> NMOCD Attention: Mr. Ed Martin TRD-Attention: Mr. Valdean Severson

RMD-Attn: Mr. Kurt McFall

UNIT NAME: AZURE STATE EXPLORATORY UNIT OPERATOR: YATES PETROLEUM CORPORATION COUNTY: LEA

TERM	5 YEARS SO LONG AS
SEGREGATION CLAUSE	STRICT
INDIAN FEE	0
FEDERAL	0
STATE	2220.03
TOTAL ACREAGE	2220.03
OCC CASE NO. OCC ORDER NO.	CASE NO 13388 ORDER NO. R-12243
DATE APPROVED	EFFECTIVE 01/10/2005

APPROVALS

SLO--01-10-2005 OCD--12-16-2004 TOWNSHIP 12 SOUTH, RANGE 35 EAST

SECTION 17: ALL SECTION 18: LOTS 1-4, E/2W/2, E/2 SECTION 19: LOTS 3-4, E/2SW/4, SE/4 SECTION 20: ALL

EFFECTIVE DATE 12-1-2008
APPROVAL DATE 12-1-2008