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April 9, 2009

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Mr. Chuck Moran
Yates Petroleum Corporation
105 S. 4th St.
Artesia, New Mexico 88210-2122

Re: Lost Tank 16 State 2 and 3
Section 16-T21S-R32E
Lea County, New Mexico

Dear Mr. Moran:

This is a follow-up to our telephone call yesterday informing you of the Intrepid Potash, L.L.C. (Intrepid) decision not to oppose our permits for these two wells. It is quite possible that Yates Petroleum Corporation (Yates) could obtain the same from Intrepid in the NENE of section 17. This is due to the fact that potash mining would need a ½ mile buffer zone around a well deeper than 5,000'. Since Yates also owns the federal leases in sections 8 and 9, the SESE of section 8 and the SWSW of section 9 would fall into the same ½ mile buffer zone from our Lost Tank 16 State #4. Please refer to the attached plat showing the area that would fall under the ½ mile buffer zone based on existing wells deeper than 5,000'. Most of section 17 would be covered with these buffer zones.

We intend to file our letter and Intrepid's reply with our application for permits with a copy to Craig Cranston at the BLM.

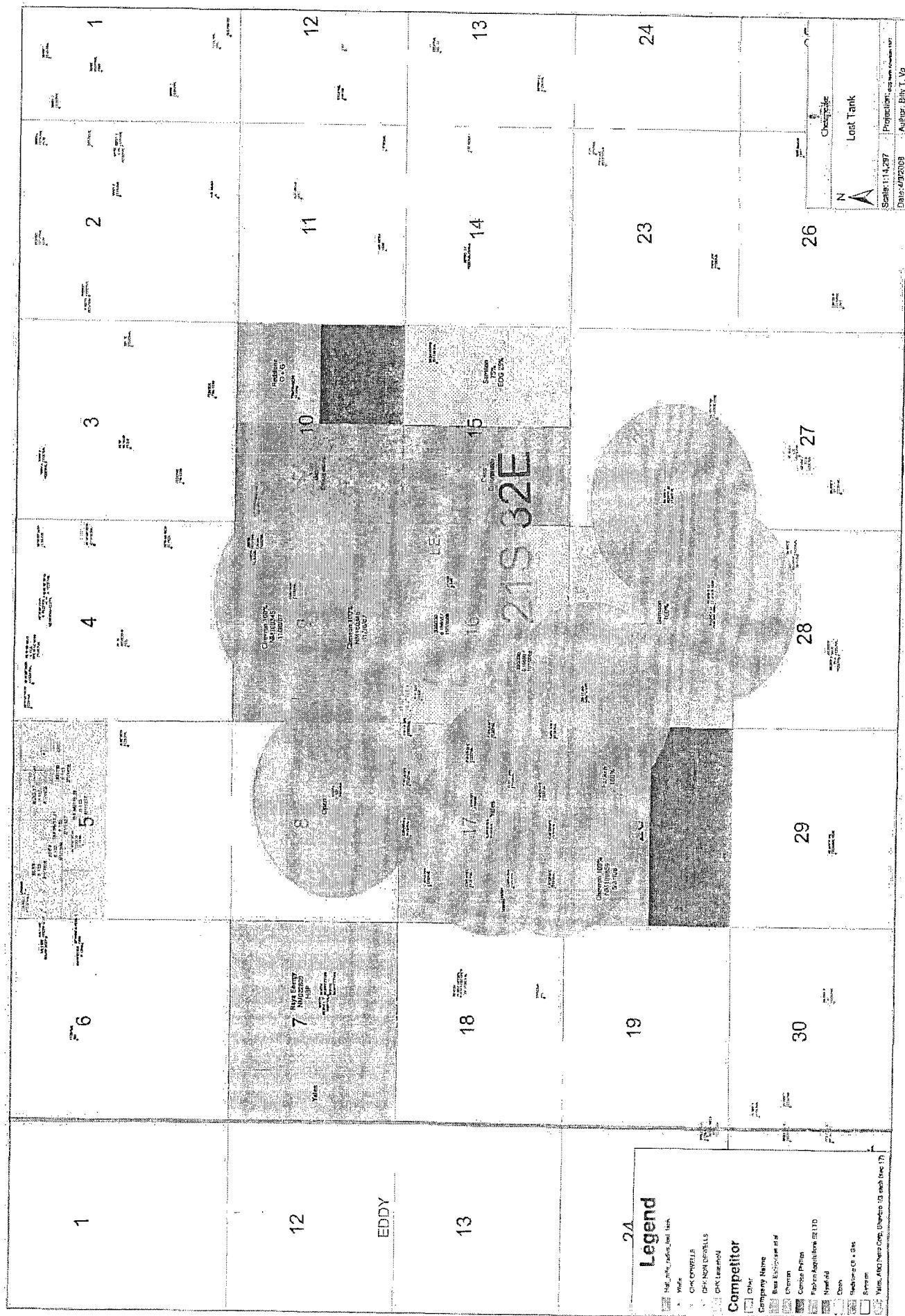
When I was talking with Katie Keller at Intrepid Potash, L.L.C. the other day, she indicated that she didn't know why Yates hadn't done the same request to Intrepid not to oppose a permit near our Lost Tank 16 State #4. Looks like there is a good possibility Yates could get some permits near our well.

Sincerely,

Chesapeake Exploration, L.L.C.

Ed Birdshead
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Case 14301
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