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Yates Petroleum Corporation  
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Attn: Ms. Janet Richardson

Re: Thurman Draw Unit Well No. 1  
Drilling Extension to August 1, 2010  
Eddy County, New Mexico

Dear Ms. Richardson:

We are in receipt of your letter of August 13, 2009. In your letter, you have advised that due to problems in obtaining a right of way to the initial location, you have requested an extension of time in which to drill the Thurman Draw Unit Well No. 1.

The Commissioner of Public Lands hereby grants you an extension to August 1, 2010 to commence the drilling of the Thurman Draw Unit Well No. 1. Failure to timely spud the Thurman Draw Well No. 1 prior to August 1, 2010 will subject the state leases in this unit to expiration. This action is subject to like concurrence by the Bureau of Land Management and the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division.

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  
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