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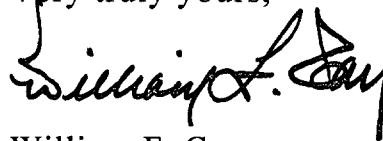
**Re: Case No. 13052: Application of Yates Petroleum Corporation
for approval of a unit agreement, Lea County, New Mexico.**

Dear Ms. Wrotenbery,:

Yates Petroleum Corporation hereby requests that the Examiner Hearing in the above-referenced case that is currently scheduled for April 24, 2003, be continued to the May 22, 2003 Examiner Hearing Docket.

Your attention to this request is appreciated.

Very truly yours,



William F. Carr

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cc: Mr. John Amiet
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