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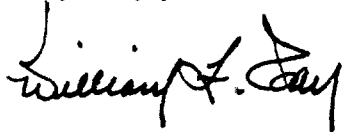
Re: *Oil Conservation Division Case No. 11894 (De Novo); Order No. R-10937:
Application of Chesapeake Operating, Inc. for an Unorthodox Oil Well Location,
Lea County, New Mexico*

Dear Ms Wrotenbery:

This letter confirms our prior conversation in which Yates Petroleum Corporation requests that the above-captioned *de novo* hearing be dismissed.

Your attention to this matter is appreciated.

Very truly yours,



WILLIAM F. CARR
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cc: Mr. Randy Patterson
W. Thomas Kellahin, Esq.