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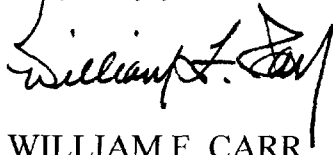
Re: ***Oil Conservation Commission Case No. 12037:  
Application of Yates Petroleum Corporation for Special Pool Rules, or in the  
alternative, for Simultaneous Dedication, Lea County, New Mexico***

Dear Ms Wrotenbery:

Yates Petroleum Corporation, the applicant in the above-captioned case, respectfully requests that this matter which is currently set on the Division docket for the December 17, 1998 hearings be continued to the January 7, 1999 Examiner hearing docket.

Your attention to this matter is appreciated.

Very truly yours,



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cc: Mr. Randy Patterson