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June 27, 1994

CERTIFIED MAIL
RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Mitchell Energy Corporation
 400 W. Illinois Ave.
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Re: Application of Yates Petroleum Corporation
 for an Unorthodox Gas Well Location, Eddy
 County, New Mexico

Gentlemen:

This office represents Yates Petroleum Corporation. On June 27, 1994, the above-referenced Application was sent for filing by Yates Petroleum Corporation for an Order granting permission to drill its Llama ALL Fed. #1 Well 330' from the South line and 950' from the West line of Section 7, T22S, R31E, NMPM, Eddy County, New Mexico.

This matter will be set for hearing on July 21, 1994. Be advised that any party wishing to appear must file a prehearing statement by the Friday prior to the date of hearing, and any party wishing to receive other parties' prehearing statements or pleadings must file an entry of appearance. I would request that you notify us whether or not you will protest the proposed amendment referred to herein. If you do not intend to protest said Application, enclosed you will find a waiver whereby you can make that decision known, along with a return envelope.

If you have any questions, do not hesitate to contact me at the letterhead address.

Very truly yours,

Z 064 713 132

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