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Rule 104F
Immediate
No offsets*

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February 12, 1980

Mr. Joe D. Ramey, Secretary-Director
NMOCD
Drawer 2088
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87501

Re: Non-Standard Location
Federal IX No. 1, L - 3-9S-26E

Dear Sir:

Administrative approval of an unorthodox location due to topography, as provided under OCC rule 104F. The orthodox location would have been on a hillside (see attached Topo plat). The BLM then asked that the location be moved to the south bank of the draw, delineation 2180' FSL and 660' FWL of Section 3 - T9S - R26E.

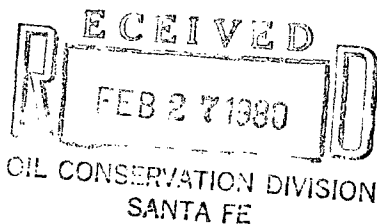
The well was originally proposed for an Ellenberger test with a 320-acre West half-section dedication but when we lost circulation in the Wolfcamp formation, further drilling was abandoned and the well was completed in an Abo Sand.

The attached Ownership plat shows Yates Petroleum to be the owner of the offset leases and we waive objection to the unorthodox location.

We anticipate pipeline connection within a week. Thank you for an early approval.

Sincerely,

YATES PETROLEUM CORPORATION



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cc: NMOCD, Artesia.

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