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March 5, 1997

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Re: REQUEST FOR CONTINUANCE
NMOCD Case 11739
Application of Yates Petroleum Corporation
for compulsory pooling and a non-standard
gas proration unit, Lea County, New Mexico

M.S.

Gentlemen:

On behalf of Amerind Oil Company, Ltd., ("Amerind") an adversely affected interested party, we hereby Request a Continuance of the referenced case which is now set for an Examiner's hearing on March 6, 1997.

We are requesting that this case be continued until the hearing scheduled for April 3, 1996 so it can be consolidated with a competing compulsory pooling application filed by Amerind.

Very truly yours,



W. Thomas Kellahin

cfx: William F. Carr, Esq.
Attorney for Yates Petroleum Corporation
Amerind Oil Company, Ltd.
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Per my
conversation w/
Bill Carr,

Valer has no
problem w/
this.

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