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October 16, 2002

Yates Petroleum Corporation 105 South 4th Street Artesia, New Mexico 88210

Attn: Mr. James W. Pringle

Re: Downhole Commingling Application Joker "AWJ" State Well No. 3 Unit Letter K, Section 3-10S-26E Pecos Slope-Abo, Undesignated Foor Ranch Wolfcamp Gas and Undesignated Foor Ranch Pre-Permian Pools Chaves County, New Mexico

Dear Mr. Pringle:

This office is in receipt of your application of September 22, 2002, requesting our approval to downhole commingle the production from the above subject well from the Pecos Slope-Abo, Undesignated Foor Ranch Wolfcamp Gas and Undesignated Foor Ranch Pre-Permian Pools in Chaves County, New Mexico.

It is our understanding that production from the subject well will be allocated as follows:

POOL	ALLOCATION	
Pecos Slope-Abo	<u>Oil %</u> 0 %	<u>Gas %</u> 52 %
Undesignated Foor Ranch Wolfcamp Gas	0 %	24 %
Undesignated Foor Ranch Pre-Permian	0 %	24 %
	0 %	100 %

Since it appears that there will be no loss of revenue to the State of New Mexico as a result of your proposed operation, your request for downhole commingling the production from the above-mentioned well is hereby approved. Any deviation from the substance of your request will be sufficient grounds for rescinding our approval. Our approval is subject to like approval by the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division.

Your filing fee in the amount of \$30.00 has been received.



New Mexico State Land Office Commissioner of Public Lands Ray Powell, M.S., D.V.M.

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In addition, please submit a copy of the Oil Conservation Division's approval order.

If you have any questions or if we may be of further help, please contact Pete Martinez at (505) 827-5791.

Very truly yours,

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RAY POWELL, M.S., D.V.M. COMMISSIONER OF PUBLIC LANDS

BY:

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OCD--Santa Fe--Attention: David Catanach