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Re: CONOCO'S RESPONSE TO YATES' MOTION FOR A STAY

NMOCD Cases 11525 and 11526 North and South Dagger Draw

Dear Mr. LeMay:

On behalf of Conoco, Inc., please find enclosed for your consideration our response in opposition to Yates' Motion for a Stay of Orders R-4691-E and R-5353-L-2 for the referenced cases. We request that the Division deny Yates Motion for a Stay.

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