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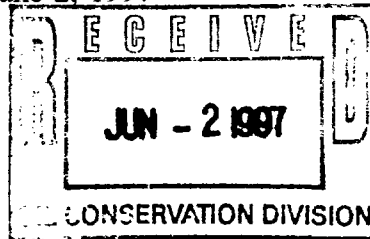
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June 2, 1997

PLEASE REPLY TO SANTA FE



Mr. William J. LeMay, Director
New Mexico Oil Conservation Division
2040 South Pacheco
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BY HAND DELIVERY

Re: NMOCD Case No. 11599; Application of Gillespie-Crow, Inc. for an Allowable Reduction, Lea County, New Mexico

Dear Mr. LeMay:

On behalf of Enserch Exploration, Inc., we object to the request for continuance recently filed by Hanley Exploration Corp. and Yates Petroleum Corp.

This case was originally heard by the Division's examiners on October 3, 1996. This will have been the third request for continuance filed by Hanley/Yates in this matter and the scheduling of this case for the Commission's June 5, 1997 docket has been known for some time. Accordingly, the June 5, 1997 *de novo* hearing in this case should proceed as scheduled.

Very truly yours,

MILLER, STRATVERT & TORGERSON, P.A.

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June 2, 1997

Via Fax

William J. LeMay
Oil Conservation Division
2040 South Pacheco Street
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505

Re: Case 11599 (De Novo); Application of Gillespie-Crow, Inc.
for an allowable reduction, Lea County, New Mexico

Dear Mr. LeMay:

We have received the request for a continuance filed by Yates Petroleum Corporation. Gillespie-Crow, Inc. opposes the continuance. This hearing has been continued twice before. Also, due to proceedings in Division Case 11724, Yates has all the data it needs to proceed with this case. Therefore, Gillespie-Crow, Inc. requests that the continuance be denied.

Very truly yours,



James Bruce

Attorney for Gillespie-Crow, Inc.

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May 28, 1997

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Re: ***Oil Conservation Division Case No. 11599 (De Novo):
In the Matter of the Application of Gillespie-Crow, Inc. for an Allowable
Reduction, Lea County, New Mexico***

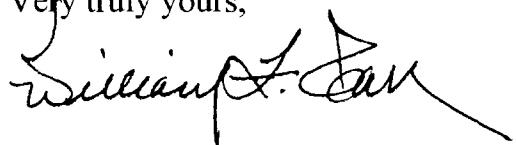
Dear Mr. LeMay:

Hanley Petroleum, Inc., and Yates Petroleum Corporation have filed an application for hearing *de novo* in the above-captioned case. This case is currently set for hearing on the June 5, 1997 Commission docket.

Hanley and Yates hereby request that the hearing on their application be continued to the July Commission docket. This continuance is necessary for a hearing has been set before Judge Forbes in Carlsbad, New Mexico on that date to consider Enron's motion to lift the stay previously issued by that Court in OCD Cases 11,602 and 11,603. Counsel for Hanley and Yates must be present in Carlsbad for this hearing and therefore cannot present their case to the Commission on June 5, 1997.

Your attention to this matter is appreciated.

Very truly yours,



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