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## VIA FACSIMILE AND FIRST CLASS MAIL

Mr. Michael Stogner, Chief Hearing Examiner New Mexico Oil Conservation Division 2040 S. Pacheco P. O. Box 6429 Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505-5472

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Re: Applications of Yates Petroleum to Drill its Jacque "AQJ" State Well Nos. 1, 2, 3 and 4, Section 34, Township 21 South, Range 31 East, N.M.P.M., Eddy County, New Mexico

## Dear Mr. Stogner:

Pursuant to our conversation of today's date, I hereby request on behalf of Yates Petroleum and on behalf of Mississippi Potash, who will be represented by Charlie High, that the OCD hearing set January 22 for the above-referenced cases be moved to 8:30 a.m. on January 30, 1998. Mr. High and I both believe that the hearing with respect to all four cases, and I will move to consolidate them, can be heard and completed on that Friday. I will prepare and submit my prehearing statement by the 16th of January; Mr. High advises that he will prepare his as soon as he can after the 16th, and I have advised him that I would have no objection to that. Should there be a question, please advise.

Very truly yours,

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