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Lori Wrotenbery, Director Oil Conservation Division New Mexico Department of Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources 2040 South Pacheco Street Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505

Re: Oil Conservation Division Case No. 11971:

Application of Yates Petroleum Corporation for an Unorthodox Well Location, Non-Standard Proration Unit and Simultaneous Dedication, Eddy County, New Mexico

Dear Ms Wrotenbery:

Yates Petroleum Corporation, applicant in the above-captioned case, respectfully requests that this matter which is currently set on the Division docket for the April 30, 1998 hearings be continued to the May 14, 1998 Examiner docket.

Your attention to this matter is appreciated.

Very truly yours,

WILLIAM F. CARR

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