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Ms. Lori Wrotenbery
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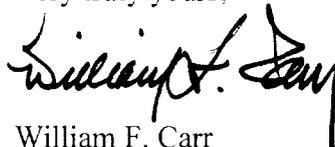
Re: Case Nos. 12535, 12567, 12569, and 12590 (de novo) and Case Nos 12738 and 12794 (Order No. R11566): Applications of Yates Petroleum Corporation for compulsory pooling and non-standard oil and gas spacing and proration units, Lea County, New Mexico.

Dear Ms. Wrotenbery:

Yates Petroleum Corporation hereby requests that its de novo appeal in the above-referenced cases be dismissed.

Your attention to this request is appreciated.

Very truly yours,



William F. Carr

cc: James Bruce, Esq.