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Yates Petroleum Corporation 105 South 4th St. Artesia, NM 88210

Attn: Mr. Cy Cowan

RE:

Yates Petroleum Corporation's: Koonunga 'Hill 'BGX', located in Section 19 of Township 22 South, Range 25 East (990' FNL & 660' FW- estimated BHL location) Eddy County, New Mexico, NMPM API # 30-015-34380

Dear Mr. Cowan or To Whom It may Concern:

In regards to the above noted well, the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division (NMOCD) is to require (in part) that drilling mud samples be caught for analysis in order to determine chloride levels. Please begin sample retrieval of mud samples in 100' intervals beginning from setting the surface casing @ 400' to down through the setting of the intermediate casing, which will be @ 2700'. Results of these tests are to be submitted to the NMOCD Artesia office no later than drilling 20 days after setting intermediate casing. If you have any questions regarding this matter, please call me.

Respectfully yours,

Bryan G. Arrant PES-Artesia

CC: Well File