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Field Inspection Program "Preserving the Integrity of Our Environment"

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YATES PETROLEUM CORPORATION

105 S 4TH ST ARTESIA, NM 88210-

Dear Operator:

The following inspection(s) indicate one or more violations as described in the detail section below. The inspection(s) indicates that the well, equipment, location or operational status failed to meet standards of the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division. To comply with standards imposed by Rules and Regulations of the Division, corrective action must be taken immediately and the situation brought into compliance. The detail section below indicates preliminary findings and/or probable nature of the violation. This determination is based on an inspection of your well or facility by an inspector employed by the Oil Conservation Division.

Please notify the proper district office of the Division of the date corrective actions are scheduled to be made so that arrangements can be made to reinspect the well and/or facility.

Please be advised that failure to comply with this directive will result in an application for an order to Show Cause why the Bond should not be forfeited, the well plugged and civil penalties assessed.

INSPECTION DETAIL SECTION

SHARP QS COM 001

P-4-17S-26E

30-015-23793-00-00

Inspection Date

Type Inspection

Inspector

Violation?

*Significant Non-Compliance?

Corrective Action Due By:

Inspection No.

01/31/2002

Routine/Periodic

Mike Bratcher

Yes

No

3/4/2002 iMLB02031542

Comments on Inspection:

Idle well Violation Rule 201. Please notify this office of intent for this well.

Thank you for your prompt attention to this matter and your efforts in helping to protect our environment and the infra-structure of the oil and gas industry.

Sincerely,

Oil Conservation Division, District II