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NM-01165

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CERTIFIED-RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED  
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Marathon Oil Company  
P. O. Box 552  
Midland, TX 79702

RE: Lease NM-01165  
Yates Fed. Well #2 SW $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ , Sec. 18, T20S, R29E  
Yates Fed. Well #5 SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ , Sec. 17, T20S, R29E  
Yates Fed. Well #6 NE $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ , Sec. 18, T20S, R29E

Gentlemen:

A review of our records and field inspections indicates that the above wells are in Temporary Abandonment (TA) status. If you are to continue to keep these wells in TA status, you must show that the downhole equipment/casings are in satisfactory condition.

Accordingly, you are hereby requested to submit for approval, a program for testing the downhole equipment for the wells on Sundry Notices Form 3160-5, formerly 9-331, and reason why you desire to keep the wells in TA status, within 30 days from receipt of this letter. The wells must be tested in accordance with the attached specifications. Please call the Carlsbad office (505) 887-6544 in time for a field inspector to witness all tests.

If a well is found in unsatisfactory condition, it must be corrected or the well plugged and abandoned. If a well is not tested, it will be considered unserviceable and you will be required to plug and abandon the well. Wells tested within the last 12 months will not require retesting provided that the test results have been filed and approved by this office. Please contact Shannon Shaw at (505) 887-6544 for further information.

In accordance to 43 CFR 3165.3(b), you have the right to an Administrative Review (AR) which must be filed within twenty (20) business days from receipt of this notice. All AR requests must be filed to the BLM State Director, P. O. Box 1449, Santa Fe, New Mexico 87504, Attn.: (922).

Sincerely,

Richard L. Manus  
Area Manager

Enclosure:  
- Casing Pressure Test Procedures