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Yates Petroleum Corporation 207 South Fourth Street Artesia, New Mexico 88210

Gentlemen:

YATES PETROLEUM CORPORATION
Lechuguilla Canyon Unit No. 8
2180 FSL 1905 FWL Sec. 10 T.24S R.24E
Eddy County Lease No. NM-491

Above Data Required on Well Sign

Your APPLICATION FOR PERMIT TO DRILL the above-described well to a depth of 10,600 feet to test the Morrow is hereby approved subject to compliance with the OIL AND GAS OPERATING REGULATIONS (30 CFR 221) and the following conditions:

- 1. Drilling operations authorized are subject to compliance with the attached General Requirements for Oil and Gas Operations on Federal Leases, dated July 1, 1978.
- Prior to commencing construction of road, pad, or other associated developments, operator will provide the dirt contractor with a copy of the Surface Use Plan and these Conditions of Approval including the attached General Requirements.
- 3. All access roads will be limited to a 12 foot wide driving surface, excluding turnarounds. Surface disturbance associated with road construction will be limited to 20 feet in width.
- 4. Submit a Daily Report of Operations from spud date until the well is completed and the Well Completion Report (form 9-330) is filed. The report should not be less than 8" x 5" in size and each page should identify the well.
- 5. All permanent above-ground structures and equipment shall be painted in accordance with the attached Painting Guidelines. The color used should simulate Sandstone Brown (Federal Standard No. 595A, color 20318 or 30318).
- 6. Before drilling below the 8-5/8" casing, the blowout preventer assembly will consist of a minimum of one annular type and two ram type preventers.
- 7. A kelly cock will be installed and maintained in operable condition.