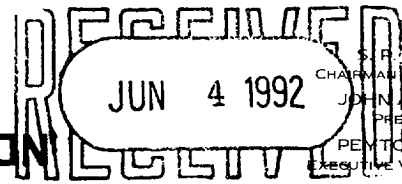


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May 21, 1992

Mr. Walt Thayer
IMC Fertilizer, Inc.
P.O. Box 71
Carlsbad, New Mexico 88220

Dear Mr. Thayer:

Yates Petroleum Corporation is the operator of the Oil and Gas Lease V-3589. We have staked the following location:

Pauline ALB State #5
660' FSL and 1980' FWL
Section 32-T23S-R31E
Eddy County, New Mexico

An Application to Drill is being filed with the Oil Conservation Division.

We have been advised that your company is the owner of record of certain potash leases in this area. We respectfully request that you waive any objection you may have to this proposed well location and so indicate by signing and returning one copy of this letter in the enclosed envelope.

Your favorable consideration of this request will be greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,

YATES PETROLEUM CORPORATION

Clifton R. May
Permit Agent

CRM:tgr

NO OBJECTIONS OFFERED

IMC FERTILIZER, INC.

By: W. E. Thayer
Title: V. P. & Gen Mgr.
Date: 6/1/92

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By: _____
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