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Yates Petroleum Corporation Attention: Clifton R. May 105 South Fourth Street Artesia, NM 88210 RE: Adeline "ALN" Federal Well No. 3 NM-82904 660' FNL & 1980' FEL, Sec. 6, T24S, R31E Eddy County, New Mexico Adeline "ALN" Federal Well No. 4 NM-82904 660' FNL & 1980' FWL, Sec. 6, T24S, R31E Eddy County, New Mexico Adeline "ALN" Federal Well No. 5 NM-82904 660' FNL & 660' FWL, Sec. 6, T24S, R31E Eddy County, New Mexico Adeline "ALN" Federal Well No. 6 NM-82904 1980' FNL & 660' FWL, Sec. 6, T24S, R31E Eddy County, New Mexico Adeline "ALN" Federal Well No. 7 NM-82904 1980' FNL & 1980' FEL, Sec. 6, T24S, R31E Eddy County, New Mexico Adeline "ALN" Federal Well No. 8 NM-82904

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Adeline "ALN" Federal Well No. 9 NM-82904 1980' FSL & 660' FEL, Sec. 6, T24S, R31E Eddy County, New Mexico Adeline "ALN" Federal Well No. 10

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Adeline "ALN" Federal Well No. 11 NM-82904 2030' FSL & 2080' FWL, Sec. 6, T24S, R31E Eddy County, New Mexico Adeline "ALN" Federal Well No. 12 NM-82904 1980' FSL & 660' FWL, Sec. 6, T24S, R31E Eddy County, New Mexico

Dear Mr. May:

On September 30, 1992, Yates Petroleum Corporation filed Applications for Permit to Drill (APDs) at the above referenced locations. I am pleased to approve your APD's at the present locations. Your copies of each APD, with attached stipulations, are enclosed.

Through our analysis of the APD's, we have determined that the well sites are located a sufficient distance from mineable ore zones that potash resources should not be impacted.

If you need any additional information, please contact Tony Herrell in the Carlsbad Resource Area at (505) 887-6544.

Sincerely,

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Larry L. Woodard State Director

10 Enclosures

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