

**STATE OF NEW MEXICO
ENERGY, MINERALS AND NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT
OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION**

**IN THE MATTER OF THE HEARING CALLED
BY THE OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION FOR
THE PURPOSE OF CONSIDERING:**

**APPLICATION OF YATES PETROLEUM
CORPORATION FOR AN ORDER (1) DIRECTING
PRIDE ENERGY COMPANY TO REIMBURSE
YATES, (2) ETC., LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.**

Case No. 13,531

MOTION FOR A CONTINUANCE

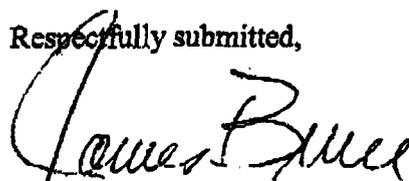
The hearing in this matter is currently scheduled for December 15, 2005. Pride Energy Company ("Pride") requests that this matter be continued to the January 5, 2006 Examiner hearing, and in support thereof, states:

1. Counsel for Pride is unavailable on December 15th, for the following reason: His son is in the U.S. Army and is home on leave, for the first time in a year, through December 15th. The undersigned desires to spend time with his son, and will be traveling with him on December 15th as he transfers to his next duty station.
2. This matter has been pending for several months, and counsel for the parties have substantially whittled down the issues to be addressed by the Division. Therefore, a short continuance will have little or no effect on the parties.
3. Counsel for applicant has been contacted, but is unable to concur in this motion.

WHEREFORE, Pride requests that this matter be continued to the January 5, 2006 Examiner hearing.

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Respectfully submitted,



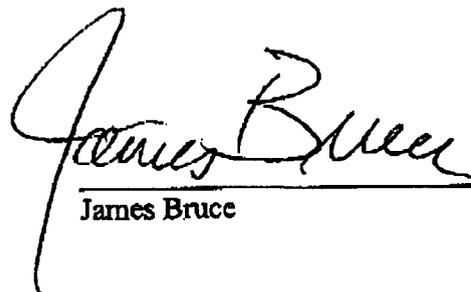
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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a copy of the foregoing pleading was served upon the following counsel of record this 12th day of December, 2005 by facsimile transmission:

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