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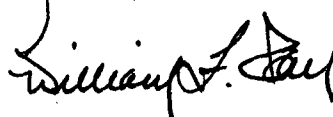
RE: In the matter of Case 12086: The Application of Yates Petroleum Corporation and Hanley Petroleum, Inc. for allowable reduction and the escrow of production proceeds, Lea County, New Mexico.

Dear Ms. Wrotenbery,

Yates Petroleum Corporation and Hanley Petroleum, Inc. hereby request that the Examiner Hearing in the above-referenced case which is currently scheduled for August 10th, 2000 be continued to the August 24th, 2000 Examiner Hearing Docket.

Your attention to this request is appreciated.

Very truly yours,



William F. Carr

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cc: Randy Patterson
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