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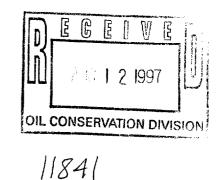
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Re: Application of Yates Petroleum Corporation for Pool Contraction and Expansion, Eddy County, New Mexico

Dear Mr. LeMay:

Enclosed in triplicate is the Application of Yates Petroleum Corporation in the above-referenced case as well as a legal advertisement. Yates Petroleum Corporation respectfully requests that this matter be placed on the docket for the September 4, 1997 Examiner hearings.

Very truly yours,

WILLIAM F. CARR

WFC:mlh Enclosures

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