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Lori Wrotenbery, Director
Oil Conservation Division
New Mexico Department of Energy,
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2040 South Pacheco Street
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Re: ***Oil Conservation Division Case No. 12128:
Application of Yates Petroleum Corporation for Extension of the Vertical
Limits of the Sand Springs-Atoka Gas Pool and for Special Pool Rules, Lea
County, New Mexico***

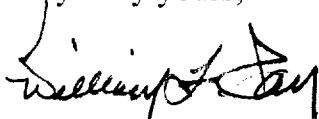
***Oil Conservation Division Case No. 12130:
Application of Yates Petroleum Corporation for an Unorthodox Gas Well
Location to Accommodate the Rededication of Acreage for Geologic
Reasons, Lea County, New Mexico***

Dear Ms Wrotenbery:

Yates Petroleum Corporation, the applicant in the above-captioned cases, respectfully requests that these matters which are currently set on the Division docket for the February 18, 1999 hearings be continued to the March 18, 1999 Examiner hearing docket.

Your attention to this matter is appreciated.

Very truly yours,



WILLIAM F. CARR

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cc: Mr. Randy Patterson