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**New Mexico State Land Office
Commissioner of Public Lands
Ray Powell, M.S., D.V.M.**

April 20, 2000

CASE #:
12373

Yates Petroleum Corporation
105 South Fourth Street
Artesia, New Mexico 88210-2118

Attn: Chuck Moran

Re: Caprock AVD State Well No.1
Unit A, Section 13, Township 11 South, Range 32 East
Lea County, New Mexico

Dear Mr. Moran:

We waive objection to the proposed location which is unorthodox for the above mentioned well intended to be drilled to the Atoka-Morrow and Mississippian formations.

If we may be of further service, please contact Jeff Albers at (505) 827-5759.

Sincerely,

RAY POWELL, M.S., D.V.M.
COMMISSIONER OF PUBLIC LANDS

Handwritten signature of Jami Bailey in cursive.

BY:
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