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Yates Petroleum Corporation
105 South Fourth Street
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Estate of Charles B. Gillespie, Jr.
Gillespie Oil, Inc.
P.O. Box 2557
Midland, Texas 79702

Amerind Oil Company, Ltd.
Suite 500
415 West Wall Street
Midland, Texas 79701

Chesapeake Operating, Inc.
P.O. Box 18496
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73154

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Enclosed is a copy of an application for pool creation and special pool rules, etc. regarding the Strawn formation underlying the ~~SXSEX~~ of Section 2, the ~~NEX~~ of Section 11, and the ~~NWX~~ of Section 12, Township 16 South, Range 35 East, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico, filed with the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division by Ocean Energy Resources, Inc. This application is scheduled to be heard at 8:15 a.m. on Thursday, May 4, 2000 at the Division's offices at 2040 South Pacheco Street, Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505. As an interest owner affected by this application, you have the right to appear at the hearing and participate in the case. Failure to appear at the hearing will preclude you from contesting this matter at a later date.

Very truly yours,


James Bruce

Attorney for Ocean Energy
Resources, Inc.

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