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Lori Wrotenbery, Director
Oil Conservation Division
New Mexico Energy, Minerals and
Natural Resources Department
1220 South St. Francis Drive
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87504

Re: Hearing De Novo
Case No. 12590 - Application of Yates Petroleum Corporation for compulsory pooling and a non-standard oil and gas spacing and proration unit, Lea County, New Mexico
Case No. 12569 - Application of Yates Petroleum Corporation for compulsory pooling and a non-standard oil and gas spacing and proration unit, Lea County, New Mexico
Case No. 12567 - Application of Ocean Energy Resources, Inc. for compulsory pooling and four non-standard oil and gas spacing and proration units, Lea County, New Mexico
Case No. 12535 - Application of Ocean Energy Resources, Inc. for compulsory pooling and four non-standard oil and gas spacing and proration units, Lea County, New Mexico

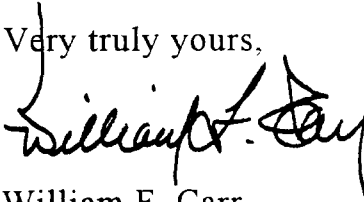
Dear Ms. Wrotenbery:

Yates Petroleum Corporation respectfully requests that the above-referenced cases be continued to the September Commission Hearing docket. Jim Bruce, attorney for Ocean Energy Resources, Inc., is in agreement with this request.

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Thank you for your attention to this request.

Very truly yours,

William F. Carr

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Enclosures

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