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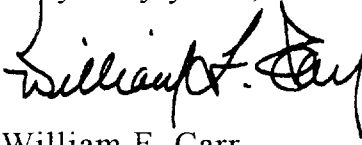
*Re: Hearing De Novo  
Case No. 12590 - Application of Yates Petroleum  
Corporation for compulsory pooling and a non-standard oil  
and gas spacing and proration unit, Lea County, New Mexico  
Case No. 12569 - Application of Yates Petroleum  
Corporation for compulsory pooling and a non-standard oil  
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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