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Lori Wrotenbery Oil Conservation Commission 1220 South St. Francis Drive Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505

Re: Case Nos. 12535, 12567, 12569, and 12590 *de novo* (Ocean Energy Resources, Inc./Yates Petroleum Corporation)

Dear Ms. Wrotenbery:

My client reluctantly agrees to the continuance requested by Yates in the above cases.

Very truly yours,

James Bruce

Attorney for Ocean Energy Resources, Inc.

cc: William F. Carr

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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 87505 OL CONTRACTOR DX

Re: <u>Hearing De Novo</u>

<u>Case No. (12590</u>)- Application of Yates Petroleum Corporation for compulsory pooling and a non-standard oil and gas spacing and proration unit, Lea County, New Mexico

<u>Case No. 12569</u> - Application of Yates Petroleum Corporation for compulsory pooling and a non-standard oil and gas spacing and proration unit, Lea County, New Mexico

<u>Case No. 12567</u> - Application of Ocean Energy Resources, Inc. for compulsory pooling and four non-standard oil and gas spacing and proration units, Lea County, New Mexico

<u>Case No. 12535</u> - 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 October Commission Hearing docket. For health reasons, I will be unable to present the case for Yates on September 14th.

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Ocean Energy Resources, Inc. will not prejudiced by this request since by letter dated July 24, 2001, you granted Ocean's request to suspend the drilling of a well until such time as the above matters are heard by the Commission.

Thank you for your attention to this request.

Very truly yours,

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William F. Carr

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Enclosures

cc: James Bruce, attorney for Ocean Energy Resources, Inc. (via facsimile) Randy Patterson, Yates Petroleum Corporation