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**VIA HAND DELIVERY**

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

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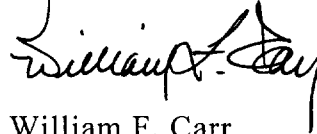
Re: Oil Conservation Division Case 12828: Application of David H. Arrington Oil & Gas, Inc. for compulsory pooling, Lea County, New Mexico.

Dear Ms. Wrotenbery:

Yates Petroleum Corporation requests that the hearing on the referenced case scheduled for July 19, 2002 be continued from the July docket of the Oil Conservation Commission to the December 2002, hearing docket. The need for additional hearings on this application in part depend on the results of the drilling of an offsetting well. This continuance is needed to permit the drilling and evaluation of this well. Mr. James Bruce, attorney for David H. Arrington Oil & Gas, Inc., concurs in this request.

Your attention to this matter is appreciated.

Very truly yours,



William F. Carr

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cc: James Bruce, Esq.