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March 16, 1993

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Mr. William J. LeMay Chairman Oil Conservation Commission 310 Old Santa Fe Trail Santa Fe, New Mexico 87501

Dear Mr. LeMay:

You had expressed some interest in the federal potassium leases north and east of WIPP which were bid on by IMC Fertilizer, Inc. and a group composed of Yates Petroleum and Pogo Producing While Yates and Pogo were the high bidders on the potassium leases, the BLM had rejected their bid and awarded their The rejection of the high bid and the award of the lease to IMC. leases to IMC has been appealed by Yates and Pogo. status of the leases are under litigation, the BLM has suspended the lease.

I thought this new information might be of interest to you.

Sincerely,

DANCAN & HAMMOND, P.C. SMIXX

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March 23, 1992

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CASE NO. 10446, 10448, 10449, RE:

ORDER NO. R-9650, R-9651, R-9654, R-9655

Dear Sir:

Enclosed herewith are two copies of each of the above-referenced Division orders recently entered in the subject cases.

Sincerely,

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OC Staff Specialist

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cc:

BLM Carlsbad Office

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March 4, 1992

VIA FEDERAL EXPRESS

Mr. William J. LeMay, Director New Mexico Oil Conservation Division 310 Old Santa Fe Trail Santa Fe, New Mexico 87501

> Applications of Yates Petroleum Corporation for Permits to Drill, Eddy County, New Mexico/OCD Case Nos. 10446, 10447, 10448, 10449

Dear Mr. LeMay:

Enclosed please find an original plus three copies of a Subpoena Duces Tecum that we ask be issued in conjunction with Yates Petroleum Corporation's Application for Permits to Drill in the above-referenced case numbers.

Your assistance in expeditiously issuing these would be most appreciated. A federal express envelope and pre-addressed label is enclosed for their return.

Very truly yours,

LOSEE, CARSON, HAAS & CARROLL, P.A.

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Yates Petroleum Corporation

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OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

NEW MEXICO DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY, MINERALS AND NATURAL RESOURCES

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF YATES PETROLEUM CORPORATION FOR PERMITS TO DRILL, EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

CASE NOS. 10446, 10447, 10448, 10449

SUBPOENA DUCES TECUM

TO: Bob Lane
New Mexico Potash Corporation
P. O. Box 610
Hobbs, NM 88241

Or Such Other Official of the New Mexico Potash Corporation in Whose Possession or Control the Hereinafter Requested Documents Presently Remain

Pursuant to Section 70-2-8, M.M.S.A. (1978) and the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division Rule 1211, YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED to appear at the place, day and time specified below and produce for inspection and copying the documents described on the attached Exhibit A.

PLACE

Law Offices of Losee, Carson, Haas & Carroll, P. A. 105 S. Fourth Street, 300 Yates Petroleum Bldg. Artesia, New Mexico 88210

DAY AND TIME

March 12, 1992, during office hours as reasonably agreed upon by the parties

This subpoena is issued on the applications of Yates Petroleum Corporation, by and through its attorneys, Losee, Carson, Haas & Carroll, P. A., P. O. Drawer 239, Artesia, New Mexico, 8821-0239.

DATED this 5th day of March, 1992.

NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

ву:

EXHIBIT "A"

INSTRUCTIONS

"Documents" or "records" mean every writing and record of every type and description in the possession, custody or control of New Mexico Potash Corporation whether prepared by you or otherwise, which is in your possession or control or known by you to exist, including but not limited to, all drafts, correspondence, memoranda, handwritten notes, notes, minutes, entries in books of accounting, computer printouts, tapes and records of all types, minutes of meeting, studies, contracts, agreements, books, pamphlets, schedules, pictures and voice recordings, videotapes and every other device or medium on which, or for which information of any type is transmitted, recorded or preserved and whether or not such documents or records are marked or treated as confidential or proprietary. The term "document" also means a copy where the original is not in possession, custody or control of the company or corporation to whom this request is addressed, and every copy of the document where such copy is not an identical duplicate of the original, all things similar to any of the foregoing, however denominated by the parties.

1. Produce the complete record of core hole logs of any core hole drilled through the potash zones by New Mexico Potash Corporation, any predecessor or other company if such log or summary thereof is in the possession of New Mexico Potash Corp., including, but not limited to, the written results or interpretations of the logs, all assays performed thereon and economic analysis derived therefrom, in Sections 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 34, 35, and 36 of Township 21 South, Range 31 East.



State of New Mexico

OFFICE OF THE

Commissioner of Public Lands

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P.O. BOX 1148 SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO 87504-1148

JIM BACA COMMISSIONER

February 10, 1992

New Mexico Potash Corporation Attn: Mr. R. H. Lane P. O. Box 610 Hobbs, NM 88240

Dear Mr. Lane:

Acknowledging receipt of your updated LMR map, in compliance with O.C.D. Order R111-P. A study of your map reveals a significant change from your 1991 LMR submittal, being an extension southward to include N. M. Section 2 and continuing rather vaguely southward in Township 22 South, Range 31 East.

During discussions in Santa Fe on January 10, 1992, mention was made that New Mexico Potash does not process langbeinite. It was also pointed out that mineralization in Section 2 is langbeinite.

This office has never received any data to justify the outlines of any LMR and certainly has no data to justify extending your LMR into an area where mineralization is of a type which is not utilized in your operations.

This office cannot approve this change in your LMR outline until we are convinced that there are adequate data to justify this addition and that the indefinite southward extension is not arbitrary and capricious. We would also request some evidence that your operation has enough flexibility to process both sylvite and langueinite ore.

Sincerely

JIM BACA
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January 22, 1992



Case 10447

Mr. William J. LeMay, Director New Mexico Oil Conservation Division P. O. Box 2088 Santa Fe, New Mexico 87501

Re: Applications of Yates Petroleum Corporation

Dear Mr. LeMay:

Enclosed for filing, please find three copies of the Amended Application of Yates Petroleum Corporation for permit to drill its Graham "AKB" State No. 4 Well, underlying Section 2, Township 22 South, Range 31 East, N.M.P.M., Eddy County, New Mexico.

We ask that this case be set for hearing before an examiner, along with the other two applications submitted on January 21, 1992, after allowing twenty days for notice, and that we be furnished with a copy of the docket for said hearings.

Yours truly,

LOSEE, CARSON, HAAS & CARROLL, P.A.

Érnest L. Carroll

ELC:bjk Enclosures

cc: Mr. Randy Patterson

Mr. Cliff May

OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF YATES PETROLEUM CORPORATION FOR A PERMIT TO DRILL, EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

CASE NO. 10447

AMENDED APPLICATION

Losee, Carson, Haas & Carroll, P.A. (Ernest L. Carroll), and in support of said Amended Application respectfully states that the Application previously submitted to the Oil Conservation Division erroneously described the location of the Graham "AKB" State No. 4 Well as being 1,050 feet from the East line of Section 2, but in fact should have stated that the Well was 1,650 feet from the East line of Section 2. The location is incorrectly shown on Form C-101 attached to the Application, but is correctly shown on Form C-102 attached thereto. Applicant respectfully requests that the Application be amended to read:

- 1. Applicant is the operator of the Delaware and intermediate formations underlying Township 22 South, Range 31 East, N.M.P.M., Section 2: Unit G, and proposes to drill its Graham "AKB" State No. 4 Well at a point located 1980 feet from the North line and 1650 feet from the East line of said Section 2.
- 2. Applicant seeks to test the Delaware and intermediate formations by drilling its proposed well to a depth of

8500 feet. Applicant has submitted its Application for Permit to Drill, Deepen or Plug Back, Form C-101, as required by Rule 102 of the Oil Conservation Division, to permit the drilling of the well at the above mentioned location. Applicant has further complied with Order No. R-111-P and has sent the required notice of such Application for Permit to Drill, Deepen or Plug Back to each potash operator holding potash leases within a radius of one mile of the proposed well, as reflected by the plat submitted with applicant's Application for Permit to Drill, Deepen or Plug Back. Attached hereto as Exhibit "1" is a copy of Form C-101 as previously submitted.

- 3. Applicant has received verbal notice from the potash operator to whom notice was given that it will object to the drilling of said well.
- 4. Said location is in compliance with Order No. R-111-P(G)(3)(d), and upon information and belief is not located within any Life of Mine Reserves (LMR) or buffer zone as presently designated with the State Land Office. The permitting of such well will not result in undue waste of potash deposits, or constitute a hazard to or interfere unduly with mining of potash deposits.
- 5. A standard 40-acre oil proration unit comprising
 Unit G of said Section 2 should be dedicated to such well.
- 6. The approval of this Application will afford applicant the opportunity to produce its just and equitable share of oil, will prevent economic loss caused by the drilling of un-

necessary wells, avoid the augmentation of risk arising from the drilling of an excessive number of wells, and will otherwise prevent waste and protect correlative rights.

WHEREFORE, Applicant prays:

- A. That this Application be set for hearing before an examiner and that notice of said hearing be given as required by law.
- B. That upon hearing the Division enter its order granting applicant permission to drill its Graham "AKB" State No. 4 Well at a point located 1980 feet from the North line and 1650 feet from the East line of said Section 2, Unit G, Township 22 South, Range 31 East, N.M.P.M., which is reasonably presumed to be productive of oil from the Delaware or intermediate formations.
- C. And for such other relief as may be just in the premises.

YATES PETROLEUM CORPORATION

By: Ernest L. Carroll

LOSEE, CARSON, HAAS & CARROLL, P.A. P. O. Drawer 239 Artesia, New Mexico 88210

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Attorneys for Applicant

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State of New Mexico Minerals and Natural Resources Department.

Form C-101 Revhed 1-1-89

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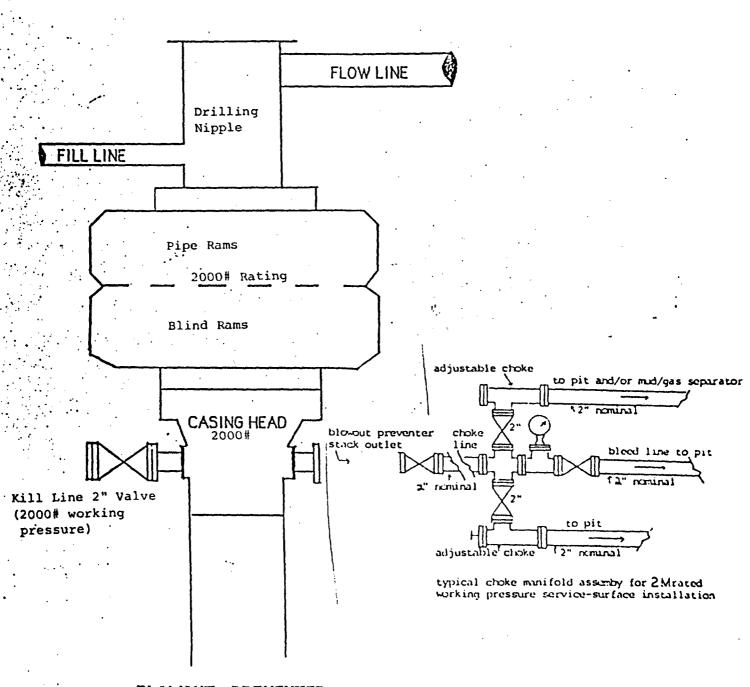
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Dear Mr. Lane:

Hobbs, NM 88241

Yates Petroleum Corporation is the operator of the Oil & Gas Lease V-2705. We have staked the following location:

Graham AKB State #4 1980' FNL and 1650' FEL Sec. 2-T22S-R31E Eddy County, NM

An application to Drill is being filed with the Oil Conservation District.

PS Form 3811, Apr. 1989

We have been advised that your company is the owner of record of certain potash leases in this area. We respectfully request that you waive any objection you may have to this proposed well location and so indicate by signing and returning one copy of this letter in the enclosed envelope.

Your favorable consideration of this request will be greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,

*U.S.G.P.O. 1989-238-815

YATES PETROLEUM CORPORATION

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> Applications of Yates Petroleum Corporation for Permits to Drill, Eddy County, New Mexico

Dear Mike:

Pursuant to our conversation of this morning, I am writing to confirm my request that the hearings on Cases numbered 10446, 10447, 10448, and 10449 set for February 20, 1992, be rescheduled. You have agreed that these cases will now be heard on March 19, 1992.

If the above does not correctly reflect the Division's docket, please advise. I am providing notice to the interested parties of this change in scheduling today.

Very truly yours,

LOSEE, CARSON, HAAS & CARROLL, P.A.

Ernest L. Carroll

ELC: kth

xc: Randy Patterson