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1980' FSL and 330'FEL Section 16, T23S-R31E Eddy County, New Mexico H2S Contingency Plan RECEIVED

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Sources at Yates Petroleum Corporation have relayed information to me that they believe there will not be enough H2S anticipated from the surface to the Los Medano Delaware Formation to even meet the OCD's minimum requirements for the submission of a contingency plan per Rule 118.

Thank you,

YATES PETROLEUM CORPORATION

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