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May 23, 2006

Mr. Mike Bratcher
NMOCD District II
1301 W. Grand Ave.
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OCD-ARTESIA

RE: Federal CW-B Battery #2
Section 1, T19S-R25E-24E
Eddy County, New Mexico

30-015-23216

Dear Mr. Bratcher,

The following items have been completed per the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division, District II for the above captioned battery, soil stock pile has been removed and new corrected well signs have been installed.

With these requirements fulfilled, Yates Petroleum Corporation requests closure of the site.

If you have any questions, please call me at 505-748-4217.

Thank you.

YATES PETROLEUM CORPORATION

Robert Asher
Environmental Regulatory Agent

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Yates Petroleum Corporation
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ATTN: Environmental Department (Robert Asher)

September 13, 2006

Reference: Federal CW-B 002 Battery J-1-19s-24e API: 30-015-23216

Operator,

The New Mexico Oil Conservation Division District 2 Office (OCD) is in receipt of a letter requesting closure for violations at this site noted on the February 13, 2006 Yates/OCD-NOV/LOV. The letter states that the stockpile of contaminated soil has been removed and new, corrected well signs installed.

The request for closure is approved with the following documentation notes:

- OCD has not been provided information as to the origin of the contaminated soils.
- The well sign listed the well in Range 25E. Well is in Range 24E. The closure request letter incorrectly lists the well in Range 25E.

Please be advised that this approval does not relieve the operator of liability should their operations have failed to adequately investigate and remediate contamination that may pose a threat to ground water, surface water, human health or the environment. In addition, this approval does not relieve the operator of responsibility for compliance with any other federal, state, local laws and/or regulations.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Mike Bratcher".

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