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5 April 2005

Yates Petroleum Corporation
105 South Fourth Street
Artesia, New Mexico 88210

RE: Extension request

Dear Mr. Dolan:

The Artesia District of the Oil Conservation Division on 30 March, 2005 received a request for extension of time to close 4 pits. (see attachment). Rule 50 provides for one six-month extension for good cause. Please provide the documentation on what Yates deems as the "good cause" for each well. The letter stated, "for good cause shown", however no other documents or attachments were found.

If you have any questions please contact me at 505-748-1283.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "VB" or similar, written over a horizontal line.

Van Barton
Field Rep. II

MARTIN YATES, III
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Oil Conservation Division
ATTN: Mr. Tim Gum
1301 W Grand Avenue
Artesia, NM 88210

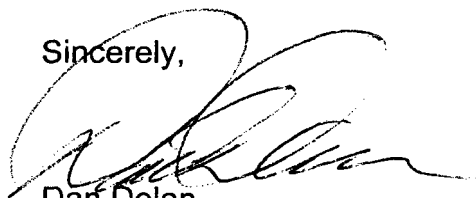
RE: Request for a six month extension of time to accomplish closure on the following post April 15, 2004 drilling pits.

WELL NAME	API NUMBER	SEC-TWN-RNG
STINGRAY STATE UNIT1	30 005 63678	18 10S 27E
BARRACUDA STATE UNIT1	30 005 63679	5 10S 27E
LAKE SHORE XH FEDERAL COM 2	30 015 33395	11 21S 26E
BARNEY BEF FEDERAL 1	30 015 26799	1 22S 30E

Dear Mr. Gum,

Yates Petroleum Corporation requests for good cause shown a six month extension of time be allowed to accomplish closure of the above listed post April 15, 2004 drilling pits.

Sincerely,



Dan Dolan
Reclamation Agent